Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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or (929) 436-2866 (phone) [Meeting ID is 895 886 6876]

SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2022

PRELUDE

2 Pieces Op. 40, No. 1 Moment de désespoir	Mykola Lysenko (1842 – 1912)
Angoise	Mykola Lysenko (1842 – 1912)
Serenade Op. 28	Mykola Lysenko (1842 – 1912)
Cheng Cheng, piano	

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

Rev. Beth Robbins, Executive Minister

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn 155 Circle 'Round for Freedom *Linda Hirschhorn* (b. 1947) Bek Zehr, mezzo soprano

Circle 'round for freedom Circle 'round for peace For all of us imprisoned Circle for release

Circle for the planet
Circle for each soul
For the children of our children
Keep the circle whole

GREETINGS Hala Hazar & Nikki DeRome, Worship Coordinators

* HYMN 159

A Song of Peace: A Patriotic Song text: *Lloyd Stone* (1912 – 1993) ("This is My Song") music: *Jean Sibelius* (1865 – 1957)

Hannah Shanefield, soprano Bek Zehr, mezzo soprano

This is my song, O G*d of all the nations A song of peace for lands afar and mine This is my home, the country where my heart is Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine But other hearts in other lands are beating With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine But other lands have sunlight too, and clover And skies are everywhere as blue as mine O hear my song, thou G*d of all the nations A song of peace for their land and for mine

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953) adaptation: Crawford Harvie/Buckles arrangement: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Open my heart to be a sanctuary All made holy, loved and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance <u>here</u>. During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit El amor es el espíritu of this congregation, de nuestra congregación And service is our gift. Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.

This is our great covenant: Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:

To dwell together in peace, Convivir en paz,

To speak our truths in love, Hablar nuestras verdades con amor, And to help one another. Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 1023

Building Bridges music: Contemporary Quaker Round text: The Women of the Greenham Common Peace Occupation

Mark David Buckles, vocals and percussion Hannah Shanefield, soprano Bek Zehr, mezzo soprano

Building bridges between our divisions I reach out to you, will you reach out to me? With all of our voices, and all of our visions, Friends, we could make such sweet harmony.

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

Bountiful evening, bountiful evening, a New Year's carol,

A little swallow flew into the household

And started to twitter,

To summon the master:

"Come out, come out,

Look at the sheep pen,

There the ewes have given birth

And the lambkins have been born

Your goods are great, You will have a lot of money by selling them. If not money, then chaff from all the grain you will harvest You have a beautiful dark-eyed wife." Bountiful evening, bountiful evening, a New Year's carol, A little swallow flew.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Many income-generating events and rentals have had to be canceled or postponed, putting a huge strain on the church budget. Our ministers and staff are continuing to work; our goal is to continue to pay them. You can text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509 or scan the QR code to give any amount you'd like. Even more helpful for cash flow would be to set up automatic payments via bank transfer or credit card. Our treasurer,



Liz Teixeira, (treasurer@ascboston.org) would be happy and grateful to assist you with this process! In addition, please consider making an extra gift to sustain Arlington Street this month. Together though apart, we can thrive! Thank you for your steadfastness and support!

COVENANT RENEWAL: #NoMATTERWHAT Cathy DeMatto



OFFERTORY

Dumka Y Kolomyika Pawlo Humeniuk (1883 – 1965)

Julie Metcalf, violin Mark David Buckles, guitar

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH SHARE THE PLATE:

HELP UKRAINIANS THROUGH WORLD CENTRAL KITCHEN

José Andrés, the beloved D.C. chef famous for feeding people in need around the world, is in Europe with his World Central Kitchen team providing thousands of meals in Poland, Romania and even inside Ukraine.

Here's a little of the World Central Kitchen story:

"It all began in 2010, after a huge earthquake devastated Haiti....

"Food relief is not just a meal that keeps hunger away. It's a plate of hope. It tells you in your darkest hour that someone, somewhere, cares about you. This is the real meaning of comfort food....

"Since those early days, our journey has taken World Central Kitchen all over the world. We fed an island after Hurricane Maria destroyed Puerto Rico. We fed tens of millions struggling with the Covid-19 pandemic.... We were under a bridge with thousands of asylum seekers in Texas, in a demolished Kentucky town after brutal tornadoes, on the Louisiana coast when yet another enormous hurricane made landfall.



"We have traveled a long way together, with support from people just like you."

Thank you for joining in this heroic effort to help the people of Ukraine. *Thank you for your generosity!*

*HYMN 1015

Hannah Shanefield, soprano

Though days be dark with storms And burdens weigh my heart Though troubles wait at every turn I know I can go on

When sorrow heals my soul And burdens make me strong Though troubles wait at every turn I know I can go on

My sibling in my heart My kindred in my song Though troubles wait at every turn I know I can go on

And though the journey is long The destination is near Though troubles wait at every turn I know I can go on

So brothers take my hand And sisters sing my song When hope awaits at every turn I know we will go on

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

For our benediction, you are invited to put your hands over your heart in Namaste *I bow to the Divine in You.*

RECESSIONAL

Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
For your people are my people
Your people are mine
Your people are my people
Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE



* Out of respect for Arlington Street Church members and friends who are Jewish, we follow the tradition of not spelling out G*d's name.

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This morning's pulpit flowers are a gift from the Richard Mattoli flower fund. *Thank you, Richard!*