

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD, 2013

PRELUDE

Selections from *Kinderszenen, Op. 15* .. Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

Of Foreign Lands and Peoples, A Curious Story, Pleading

Child, An Important Event, Dreaming, The Poet Speaks

Molly Wood, piano

WELCOME

CHALICE LIGHTING Lisa Mobayed

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

The Fourth Principle Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

We believe in a free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

GREETINGS

*HYMN 39

Bring, O Morn, Thy Music

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benedictiontext: Barbara Pescan

music: Bart Bradfield



Go in joy,— go in peace to meet the day! With



op - en hearts em - brace life's won - der. We will guide you,



we will love you on your way.

*At this time, all children are welcome to join
the Children's Religious Education program!*

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until the beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)
text: *African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page*
Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Jonathan Price, tenor

The image shows a musical score for 'Healing Prayer'. It consists of two staves. The top staff is labeled 'Drone' and the bottom staff is labeled 'Melody'. Both staves are in 3/4 time and have a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The Drone staff contains a series of quarter notes: B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat. The Melody staff contains a series of notes: B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, B-flat, E-flat, A-flat. The lyrics 'We pray' are written under the Drone staff, and 'We' is written under the Melody staff.

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

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| 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. | Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros. |

*HYMN 1003

Where Do We Come From?

SERMON

Let the Mystery Be Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Sing Me to Heaven text: *Jane Griner*
music: *Daniel Gawthrop* (b. 1949)

In my heart's sequestered chambers
Lie truths stripped of poet's gloss.
Words alone are vain and vacant and my heart is mute.
In response to aching silence
Memory summons half-heard voices,
And my soul finds primal eloquence and wraps me in song.
If you would comfort me, sing me a lullaby.
If you would win my heart, sing me a love song.
If you would mourn me and bring me to God,
Sing me a requiem, sing me to heaven.
Touch in me grief and comfort;
Love and passion, pain and pleasure.
Sing me a lullaby, a love song, a requiem.
Love me, comfort me, bring me to God:
Sing me a love song, Sing me to heaven.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

OFFERTORY

Mona Lisa recorded by: *Guster*
music and lyrics: *Adam Gardner, Brian Rosenworcel, and Ryan Miller*
Joanna Lubkin, vocals; Mark David Buckles, guitar & vocals

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 21

For the Beauty of the Earth

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (*sung twice; please join us!*)

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt, arr. Buckles*

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, And with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Rosebud *Scott Joplin (1867-1917)*
Molly Wood, piano

**You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.*

TODAY in CRE

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Thanks to everyone who attended the CRE committee meeting this morning, and to everyone who helps make CRE happen each Sunday! You are all amazing gifts!

A bunch of our wooden animals are finished, and depending on the weather, we will "plant" them in our Arlington Street garden! We will also finish up the rest of the animals, and begin to think about this season of Lent—what are things we can let go of or take on in order to better care for ourselves and our environment?

After CRE, there is a family pizza luncheon in the Perkins Room from 12-2:00 PM; a place to meet, eat, share, and care. We hope you can make it!