Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH, 2014

PRELUDE

Toccata and Fugue in D minor ... *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685-1750) Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

Introit

Come contentment lovely guest,

Reign unrival'd in my breast.

Thou alone wilt do.

Thou alone canst fill the soul,

Ev'ry passion canst control,

When the stormy billows roll,

Thou canst bear me through.

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

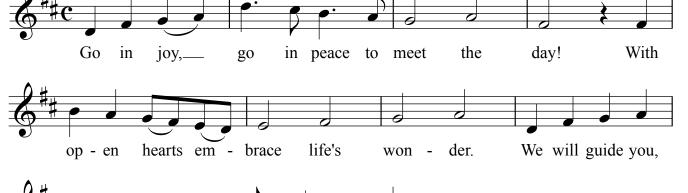
GREETINGS

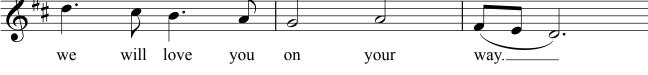
*Hymn 87

Nearer My God To Thee

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: Barbara Pescan music: Bart Bradfield





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; Marco A. Jordao, tenor



AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit El amor es el espíritu 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 1009 (in the teal hymnal)

Meditation on Breathing

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

The Music of Living text: *Anonymous* music: *Dan Forrest* (b. 1978)

Giver of life, Creator of all that is lovely,

Teach me to sing the words of your song;

I want to feel the music of living

And not fear the sad songs,

But from them make new songs

Composed of both laughter and tears.

Teach me to dance to the sounds of your world and your people,

I want to move in rhythm with your plan; Help me to try to follow your leading,

To risk even falling,

To rise and keep trying

For you are leading the dance.

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

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 205

Amazing Grace!

*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

Mother Goose (1695)

For every ailment under the sun There is a remedy, or there is none; If there be one, try to find it; If there be none, never mind it.

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

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

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

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, we are meeting in our grade-based groups.

- Kindergarten–2nd graders and Sandy are reading *Born with a BANG*!
- 2nd-5th graders and Carol are reading *Buddha in the Garden* and playing a game that will help them learn the Buddhist concept of Merit.
- 5th-8th graders and Art will be learning about Covenant Renewal.

If you are new to Arlington Street and would like to learn more about how you or your family can become involved with CRE, let's all eat lunch together in the Perkins Room after the service! You can also email Erica at elong@ascboston.org for more information about the program and to receive the weekly CRE email newsletter.

Share the Plate

We have begun a new spiritual practice of generosity at Arlington Street: *Share the Plate*! Fifty percent of the money in the collection plate this month will go to Friday Night Supper Program, in honor of their birthday. For 30 years, hot meals have been served from Arlington Street's kitchen to guests who are hungry.