

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, APRIL 3^RD, 2011

COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY

PRELUDE

Ave verum corpus, K.618 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart* (1756-1791)

Piano Concerto No. 21, 2nd movement excerpt *W.A. Mozart*

Symphony No. 41, 1st movement excerpt *W.A. Mozart*

Molly Wood, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Morning Has Come *Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Stephen Chait, congas; Molly Wood, piano

Morning has come, arise and greet the day!
Dance with joy and sing a song of gladness!
The light of hope here shines upon each face.
May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

Open our eyes to see that life abounds;
open hearts to welcome it among us.
The light of love here shines upon each face.
May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

CHALICE LIGHTING John O'Connor

WELCOME

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: *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.

*Following the Children's Blessing, all children are always
welcome to join us for Children's Religious Education!*

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

***HYMN**

There's a River Flowing in My Soul *Rose Sanders* (b. 1945)
Mark David Buckles, guitar arr. Buckles

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 our words, some of us pray through our actions, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and 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; J. Jacob Krause, baritone

The image shows musical notation for the hymn 'Healing Prayer'. It consists of two staves. The top staff is labeled 'Drone' and contains a single melodic line with a long note value. The bottom staff is labeled 'Melody' and contains a more complex melodic line with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics 'We pray' and 'We' are written below the notes.

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.	Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

***HYMN 290**

Bring, O Past, Your Honor

SERMON

Living Generously Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Sing for Joy! text: *Psalm 84:1-4*
music: *Theodore Morrison* (b. 1938)

PROCESSION OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

MUSIC FOR COVENANTING

Triumphal March from *Aida* *Giuseppe Verdi* (1813-1901)
Molly Wood, piano

RECESSION OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

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

Oh, Had I Jubal's Lyre, from *Joshua* *G. F. Handel* (1685-1759)
Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Molly Wood, piano

ENCORE: THE ARK RETURNS

The announcement of today's Covenant Renewal pledge total!

***HYMN 116**

I'm On My Way

***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

The Washington Post March *John Philip Sousa* (1854-1932)
Molly Wood, piano

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

TODAY – April 3rd, 2011

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

In honor of Covenant Renewal, we will share the promises we make to each other, and how we give to each other, our Arlington Street Church community, and to the world.

We will create a Covenant rainbow wreath mandala, which we will decorate with our promises. All are welcome!