

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MAY 15TH, 2011

PRELUDE

Fantaisie sur “La Flute Enchantee” de Mozart

Molly Wood, organ

Louis Lefebure-Wely (1817-1869)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The First Principle *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Jon Price, tenor; Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

We believe in the inherent worth and dignity of every being. Amen.

CHALICE LIGHTING *Dr. Albert Schweitzer* (Lutheran & Unitarian)

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 389

Gathered Here

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 song '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 two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The Drone staff contains a series of quarter notes: B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-flat. The Melody staff contains a series of notes: B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-flat, B-flat, E-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 331

Life Is the Greatest Gift of All

SERMON

As Thyself Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need text: *Isaac Watts* (1674-1748)
adaptation of Psalm 23
music: *Virgil Thomson* (1896-1989)

My Shepherd will supply my need:
Jehovah is His Name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed,
Beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back
When I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercy's sake,
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death,
Thy presence is my stay;
One word of Thy supporting breath
Drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows,
Thine oil anoints my head

The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be my abode,
And all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest,
While others go and come;
No more a stranger, nor a guest,
But like a child at home.

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

Laudate Dominum *Claudio Monteverdi* (1567-1643)
Rachel Gitner, soprano; Molly Wood, piano

***HYMN**

Shower the People *James Taylor* (b. 1948), arr. *Buckles*

***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

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals (Israel's Song of
Victory) *Sigfrid Karg-Elert* (1877-1933)
Molly Wood, organ

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

TODAY – May 15th, 2011

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Thanks to Rebecca, JP, and the kids for being spiders and creating amazing webs last week! This week we are making web song stories! There will be instruments and creativity all around. Children will break up into two groups: ages 0-6 and 7-12, with older youth helping out. Next Sunday, the Youth (MS/HS) will be meeting up with Laura Evonne and Kim for a walk around Walden Pond.

We would like to put photos of our children on Arlington Street Church's web site or in *Inside*. We will only publish first names with the photos. Parents, if you have any objections, please speak with Laura Evonne.