# Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MAY  $17^{\text{TH}}$ , 2015

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

# Prelude

Italian Concerto, BWV 971 ...... *J. S. Bach* (1685-1750) II. Andante Partita No. 1 in B-flat Major, BWV 825 ...... *J. S. Bach* (1685-1750) I. Praeludium IV. Sarabande Karolina Rojahn, piano

# WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn 1000 Morning Has Come (in the teal hymnal) The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

COVENANT RENEWAL: #IAMASC ...... Kate Birney

# GREETINGS

# \*Hymn

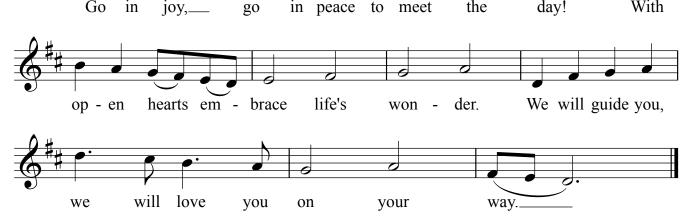
The Church That Blesses You ..... Dan Richards (b. 1983)

- Put oil in the chalice.
- Put music in the air.
- Bring food to our table,
- All our gifts to share.
- Keep our building standing strong
- And programs growing too.
- Give your time and your money
- To the church that blesses you.

# **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; Daniel Rosensweig, tenor



# **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 131

Love Will Guide Us	. music and lyrics: Sally Rogers
ar	c. Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals; Julie Metcalf, violin

- Love will guide us, peace has tried us, Hope inside us, will lead the way On the road from greed to giving. Love will guide us through the hard night.
- 2. If you cannot sing like angels,If you cannot speak before thousands,You can give from deep within you.You can change the world with your love.
- 3. You are like no other being.What you can give, no other can giveTo the future of our childrenTo the future of the world where we live.
- 4. Share the song and share the silence; Share the shade and share the light With every friend, neighbor, stranger On our journey through this life.
- 5. Love will guide us....

#### **Sermon**

Love Offering ...... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

#### SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

#### ANTHEM

The Rain is Over and Gone ..... text: Song of Solomon, adapted music: Paul Halley (b. 1950) Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

#### **PROCESSION OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT**

#### **COVENANT RENEWAL**

Morning has Broken ....... Gaelic Melody, arr. Metcalf/Buckles
Door County ...... Larry Unger (b. 1951), arr. Metcalf/Buckles
Red Prairie Dawn ... Garry Harrison (1954-2012), arr. Metcalf/Buckles
Julie Metcalf, fiddle; Mark David Buckles, guitar

### CANTICLE

Home ...... music and lyrics: *Drew Pearson* and *Greg Holden* recorded by *Phillip Phillips* (b. 1990) arranged by *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980) Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals; Julie Metcalf, violin

# **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

We share half of the morning's offering with a community partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace.

Over 300 pledging members and friends also support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

#### OFFERTORY

Prelude Op. 28 No. 15 "Raindrop" ...... *Frédéric Chopin* (1810-1849) Karolina Rojahn, piano

# PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

# **FANFARE: THE ARK RETURNS**

#### \*Hymn 118

This Little Light of Mine

# **\*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice**

\*RECESSIONAL (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

Fantasia for Organ (1977) ..... John Weaver (b. 1937) Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

# **Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)**

Covenant Renewal Sunday is not just for the adults of the congregation! Children and youth will be meeting in grade-based groups to discuss the role they play in keeping Arlington Street Church's covenant and discussing what promises they can make to the community for the coming church year.

- Kindergarten-2nd graders, Sandy, Lale, and Laura are meeting in the Perkins Room.
- 2nd-8th graders and Sarah are meeting on the Parish Hall stage.

If you are interested in volunteering with CRE or would like to learn more about our program, please email cre@ascboston.org.

