Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MAY 28TH, 2017

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 end of greetings.

PRELUDE

Adagio for Strings Samuel Barber (1910 - 1981); arr. Lawrence Rosen Band of Brothers (Theme) Michael Kamen (1948 - 2003) Linli Wang, organ

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith

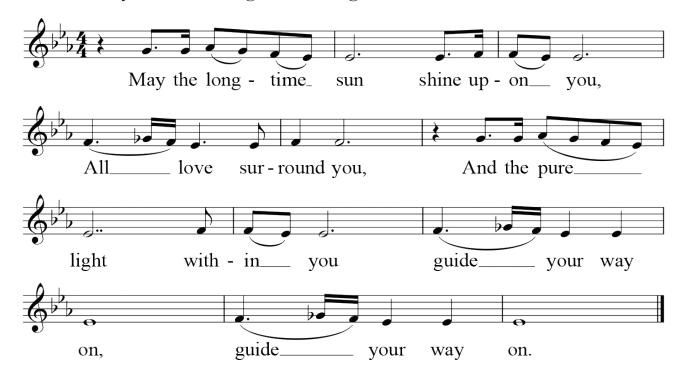
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GREETINGS

*Hymn 354

We Laugh, We Cry

CHILDREN'S BLESSING



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

The Arlington Street Choir is off today and look forward to singing next week!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953) text adapted: Crawford Harvie/Buckles music arranged: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Open my heart to be a sanctuary All made holy, loved and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit

of this congregation,

And service is our gift.

This is our great covenant:

To dwell together in peace,

To speak our truths in love,

And to help one another.

El amor es el espíritu

de nuestra congregación

Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.

Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:

Convivir en paz,

Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,

Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*Hymn 346

Come, Sing a Song with Me

SERMON

Showing Up for Grief Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the



larger community – half of the offering is shared with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code.

Hank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Bring Him Home, from Les Misérables

Claude-Michel Schönberg (b. 1944) arr. Andy Rumble

Linli Wang, piano

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

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 1021

Lean on Me

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*Recessional (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good music: Tom Witt, arranged: Mark David Buckles

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with instice, Walk with morey, and with Cod's humble

Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Linli Wang, organ

Children's Religious Education Programming

The Children's Religious Education (CRE) program begins each Sunday in the sanctuary. After the opening hymn, children and youth are sung out to gather downstairs for age-appropriate CRE groups. Each group begins with a ritual of sharing sorrows and joys before their lesson. They will rejoin the larger community in the sanctuary to end the service together.

CRE is camping! There is no formal CRE this week. Allie is offering childcare. Please find her in the front box pew.

Next to the Hunnewell Chapel, there is a nursery for restless babies and their caregivers. This space offers a rocking chair, changing table with supplies, and a live audio feed of the service. For more information about children's programming at Arlington Street Church, please contact Laura Evonne Steinman, Director of CRE, at LES@ASCBoston.org.

May Share the Plate

Louis D. Brown was a 15-year-old who grew up in Roxbury with very big dreams: college, graduate school, a doctoral degree in aerodynamic engineering. Ultimately, Louis wanted to be the first African-American and youngest-ever President of the United States.

Louis said, "I want young people I went to school with and from my community to be active in government. However, if things don't change, I'll be alone in the White House, because by the time I become president, my peers will all be dead, addicted to drugs, or in jail." Setting out to improve his community and to be a role model to his peers, he joined Teens Against Gang Violence. That fall, on his way to a Teens Against Gang Violence meeting, Louis was killed in the crossfire of a gang shootout.

That was 1993. The next year, his extraordinary mother, Tina Chery, honored her son's dream by founding The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. Dedicated to education in peacemaking and nonviolence, the institute also assists survivors of homicide victims. This May, fifty percent of our gifts in the collection plate will be shared with the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute.