

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2017

If you have brought water today, please write down - in large, clear printing - where you gathered your water. Pens and cards are available from the ushers at the Great Doors. Please hold onto your container of water until it's time for the water communion.

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

Prélude, OL 46 *Louis Couperin* (c. 1626 - 1661)

An Wasserflüssen Babylon (By the waters of Babylon)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Xuan He, organ

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 361**

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

***HYMN 126**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

WATER COMMUNION *Beth Robbins*

Reflets dans l'eau *Claude Debussy* (1862 - 1918)

(Reflections in the Water)

Xuan He, piano

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**

Swimming to the Other Side

text and music: *Pat Humphries* (b. 1960)

choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

Julie Metcalf, fiddle and vocals

Chorus

We are living 'neath the great Big Dipper

We are washed by the very same rain

We are swimming in the stream together

Some in power and some in pain

We can worship this ground we walk on

Cherishing the beings that we live beside

Loving spirits will live forever

We're all swimming to the other side

I am alone and I am searching,
Hungering for answers in my time
I am balanced at the brink of wisdom
I'm impatient to receive a sign
I move forward with my senses open
Imperfection, it be my crime
In humility, I will listen
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

On this journey through thoughts and feelings
Binding intuition, my head, my heart
I am gathering the tools together.
I'm preparing to do my part
All of those who have come before me
Band together and be my guide
Loving lessons that I will follow,
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

When we get there we'll discover
All of the gifts we've been given to share
Have been with us since life's beginning
And we never noticed they were there
We can balance at the brink of wisdom
Never recognizing that we've arrived
Loving spirits will live together
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

SERMON

Take Heart Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Coming Together *Jason Robert Brown* (b. 1970)

Katie Elledge, soprano; Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

Daniel Rosensweig, tenor; Anthony Garza, bass

Come to the water, The water will flow.
Stand to the night, See the light, let it grow.
Hold on for the hard winds are starting to blow.
Stand Up! Hold On! And swear you won't let go.

Whatever I said doesn't matter.
Whatever you said doesn't hurt.
Whatever we meant and whatever we did
Is lost in the water.

Whatever I felt I've forgotten.
Whatever I planned I released
But come take my hand,
Come down to the water,
Come down to the water.

Where people are coming together
And people are falling apart,
And no one can hide
We're caught in the tide
And punched in the heart.

People are harder than diamonds
And people are stronger than knives.
We breathe and we burn,
But we'll never return
For the rest of our lives,
For the rest of our lives.

Come down to the water, Come down to the water
Where people are coming together
And people are falling apart
We're branded and blind
And we try to rewind
To reset and restart

People are louder than fire,
And people are stronger than knives
We'll pick up the slack
But we'll never go back
For the rest of our lives,
For the rest of our lives

People are coming together
People are coming together
People are coming together
All across the water!

Come to the water, The water will flow.
Stand to the night, See the light, let it grow.
Hold on for the hard winds are starting to blow.
Stand Up! Hold On! And swear you won't let go.

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.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Auf dem Wasser zu Singen music: *Franz Schubert* (1797 - 1828)
(To Sing on the Water)

text: *Friedrich Leopold Graf zu Stolberg-Stolberg* (1750 - 1819)

Katie Elledge, soprano

Mitten im Schimmer der spiegelnden Wellen	Ah, on softly shimmering waves of joy Glides the soul away like the boat.
Gleitet, wie Schwäne, der wankende Kahn; Ach, auf der Freude sanftschimmernden Wellen	For from the heavens down on the waves Dances the evening glow round about the boat.
Gleitet die Seele dahin wie der Kahn; Denn von dem Himmel herab auf die Wellen	
Tanzet das Abendrot rund um den Kahn.	Above the treetops of the western glade Beckons to us amiably the ruddy glow;
Über den Wipfeln des westlichen Haines Winket uns freundlich der rötliche Schein;	Under the branches of the eastern glade Rustle the reeds in the ruddy glow.
Unter den Zweigen des östlichen Haines Säuselt der Kalmus im rötlichen Schein; Freude des Himmels und Ruhe des Haines Atmet die Seel' im errötenden Schein.	Joy of the heavens and peace of the glades Breathes the soul in the reddening glow.

Ach, es entschwindet mit tauigem Flügel Mir auf den wiegenden Wellen die Zeit. Morgen entschwinde mit schimmernden Flügeln	Ah, with dewy wings On the rocking waves, time escapes from me Tomorrow with shimmering wings
Wieder wie gestern und heute die Zeit, Bis ich auf höheren, strahlenden Flügel Selber entschwinde der wechselnden Zeit.	Like yesterday and today may time again escape from me, Until I on towering, radiant wings Myself escape from changing time.

In the midst of the shimmering, mirroring
waves
Glides like swans the rocking boat

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN

Life Calls Us On text: *Rev. Kendyl Gibbons* (b. 1955)
music: *Rev. Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

See insert for lyrics

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

From "This is The Year" *David Roth*

***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 justice, Walk with mercy, walk humbly in God's care.*

POSTLUDE

St. François de Paule marchant sur les flots ... *Franz Liszt* (1811 - 1886)
(St. Francis of Paula walking on the waves)
Xuan He, piano

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Welcome back! Our children are staying with us in the sanctuary today for this intergenerational service. Children are welcome to sit with their families or join Erica and Beth in the box pews at the front right of the sanctuary. Be sure to pick up the sermon word search from Erica.

If you have arrived with a baby or small child, there is a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your listening pleasure. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery will be on your left before the stairs.

After the service, let's get lunch at the Sandwich Board and eat together in the Perkins Room.

Share the Plate: Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund

Using their eye-to-eye partnership model, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) will work with and support local grassroots community partners on the ground in Texas serving at-risk populations who may not be able to access relief services and who are traditionally left out of mainstream response efforts. UUSC and their partners will work to bolster locally-led relief efforts serving immigrant families. As the storm passes and recovery begins, UUSC will continue to get updates and work with partners to ensure their needs are met. Thank you for your generosity!

To volunteer with the UUSC on the ground in Houston, go here:
<https://www.tfaforms.com/4623138>

Service is Our Gift

- Candles Coordinator, *Kate Birney*
- Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*
- Lead Greeter, *David Scanlon*
- Lead Usher, *Mike Cournoyer*
- Worship Coordinators, *Rev. George G. Whitehouse and Beth Robbins*
- Assistant Treasurers, *Alma Antoniotti and Gail Jennes*

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!