

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10TH, 2021

PRELUDE

Morning Has Broken, So Fair to See *Melissa Sky-Eagle* (b. 1978)

(“Morning Has Broken” and “Morning, So Fair to See”)

Do You Hear?

(“Come and Find the Quiet Center” and “Do You Hear?”)

Earth and Sky

(“We Would Be One” and “All Creatures of the Earth and Sky”)

Yulia Yun, piano

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

Rev. Beth Robbins, Executive Minister

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

Draw the Circle Wide text: *Rev. Gordon Light* (b. 1944)

music: *Mark A. Miller*

Hannah Shanefield, soprano

Karina Stribley, soprano

Daniel Rosensweig, tenor

Andrew Stack, bass

Draw the circle wide

No one stands alone

We'll stand side by side

Draw the circle wide

GREETINGS Hala Hazar, Worship Coordinator

HYMN 1002

Comfort Me *Mimi Bornstein-Doble* (b. 1964)

1. Comfort me, comfort me,
Comfort me, oh my soul.
Comfort me, comfort me,
Comfort me, oh my soul.

2. Sing with me...

3. Breathe with me...

4. Dance with me...

5. Comfort me...

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953)*
adaptation: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*
arrangement: *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

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance [here](#). During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.

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

Dance When You're Broken Open text: *Rumi (1207 – 1273)*
music: *Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)*

Dance when you're broken open
Dance when you've torn the bandage off
Dance in the middle of fighting
Dance in your blood
Dance when you're free
Dance when you're perfectly free

SERMON

In Times of Trouble, It's Time to Dance Rev. Beth Robbins

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Sing and Dance text: *Kahlil Gibran (1883 – 1931)*
music: *Thomas Benjamin (b. 1940)*

Sing and dance together, and be joyful!

But let each one of you be alone,
Even as the strings of a lute are alone,
Though they quiver with the same music.

Sing and dance together, and be joyful!

For only the hand of Life can contain your hearts.
Love one another, but make not a bond of love.

Sing and dance together,
Sing and dance!

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Many income-generating events and church rentals have had to be cancelled or postponed, putting a huge strain on the church budget. Our ministers and staff are continuing to work; our goal is to continue to pay them. You can text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509 or scan the QR code to give any amount you'd like. Even more helpful for cash flow would be to set up [automatic](#)



[payments](#) via bank transfer or credit card. Our treasurer, Liz Teixeira (treasurer@ascboston.org), would be happy and grateful to assist you with this process! In addition, please consider making an extra gift to sustain Arlington Street this month. Together though apart, we can thrive! *Thank you for your steadfastness and support!*

OFFERTORY

An Die Musik music: *Franz Schubert* (1797 – 1828)
text: *Franz von Schober* (1796 – 1882)
translation: *Richard Wigmore*

Hannah Shanefield, soprano
Yulia Yun, piano

Du holde Kunst, in wieviel grauen Stunden,
Wo mich des Lebens wilder Kreis umstrickt,
Hast du mein Herz zu warmer Lieb entzunden,
Hast mich in eine bessre Welt entrückt!

Oft hat ein Seufzer, deiner Harf entflossen,
Ein süsser, heiliger Akkord von dir
Den Himmel bessrer Zeiten mir erschlossen,
Du holde Kunst, ich danke dir dafür!

Beloved art, in how many a bleak hour,
when I am enmeshed in life's tumultuous round,
have you kindled my heart to the warmth of love,
and borne me away to a better world!

Often a sigh, escaping from your harp,
a sweet, celestial chord
has revealed to me a heaven of happier times.
Beloved art, for this I thank you!

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

OCTOBER SHARE THE PLATE: SUPPORT FOR REFUGEE FAMILIES

ARRIVING FROM AFGHANISTAN

Some 65,000 Afghans will be arriving in the United States in the next few months — the greatest humanitarian mobilization since the end of the Vietnam War. Many of them assisted American military and government officials and their families; they are American patriots. On the final weekend in September, the first two families fleeing Afghanistan arrived at Logan Airport. Before us is the extraordinary opportunity to support the resettlement of at least 1,100 people in Massachusetts who will need help with food, housing, education, jobs, health care, and other essentials to rebuild their lives in safety and peace.



Our contributions to this month's Share the Plate will go to the Refugee & Immigrant Assistance Center (riacboston.org), with offices in Boston, Lynn, and Worcester. RIAC will make cash donations directly to these families to assist with basics (food, clothing, toiletries, and rent) and will use donations to support their services and programs. *Thank you for your generosity!*

HYMN

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

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals
Julie Metcalf, violin

Here in reverence now we gather
For the blessings we have known,
With a pledge to one another
That we journey not alone.
Joy and sorrow make us wise,
Kin to all that lives and dies;
Love calls us on, love calls us on.

Words and deeds of those before us
Waken here to keep us strong;
Blend our voices in the chorus
Of creation's living song.
Courage bids us lift our eyes
Upward to the shining skies;
Hope calls us on, hope calls on.

Loyal guides in love and duty
Lead us with a trusted light;
Blest are they whose inward beauty
Shows the path of truth and right.
Honor is their earthly prize;
By their work we realize,
Faith calls us on, faith calls us on.

We have shared a radiant hour
When the truth has made us free,
And the spirit's gracious power
Dreamed of good that yet shall be.
Bright the path before us lies
Joyful pilgrims now we rise;
Life calls us on! Life calls us on!

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

For our benediction, you are invited to put your hands over your heart in Namaste

I bow to the Divine in You.

RECESSIONAL

Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
For your people are my people
Your people are mine
Your people are my people
Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Dancing Queen *Benny Andersson* (b. 1946), *Björn Ulvaeus* (b. 1945),
and *Stig Anderson* (1931 – 1997)
from *ABBA*

Yulia Yun, organ



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*This morning's pulpit flowers are a gift from the Richard Mattoli flower fund.
Thank you, Richard!*