Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17^{th} , 2021

THE INAUGURAL GATHERING OF OUR HYBRID CONGREGATION!

PRELUDE しあわせのかたち (Happiness) Yukie Nishimura (b. 1967) 語らい (Chatting with Friends) Ying-Ting Lin, piano WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith. Hymn 361 Enter, Rejoice, and Come In text and music: Louise Ruspini arrangement: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980) Enter, rejoice, and come in Enter, rejoice, and come in Today will be a joyful day! Enter, rejoice, and come in! Open your hearts, everyone... Open your ears to the song... Don't be afraid of some change... Enter, rejoice, and come in... **GREETINGS** Rev. Beth Robbins, Executive Minister Hymn Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals Ying-Ting Lin, piano Sometimes I remember the old days When the world was filled with sorrow You might have thought I was living But I was all alone In my heart the rain was falling The wind blew and The night was callin' Come back, come back, I'm all you've ever known

Chorus

Open the door and come on in I'm so glad to see you my friend You're like a rainbow comin' around the bend And when I see you happy Well, it sets my heart free I'd like to be as good a friend to you As you are to me

There were friends who could always see me Through the haze their smiles would reach me Saying okay, saying goodbye, saying hello Soon I knew just what I was after Was life and love, tears and laughter Hello, my good friend, hello my darlin' What do you know

Chorus

Open the door and come on in I'm so glad to see you my friend You're like a rainbow comin' around the bend And when I see you happy Well, it sets my heart free I'd like to be as good a friend to you As you are to me

I used to think it was only me feeling alone Not feeling free to be alive to be a friend Now I know we all have stormy weather The sun shines through when we're together I'll be your friend right through to the end

Chorus

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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 El amor es el espíritu of this congregation, de nuestra congregación And service is our gift. Yel 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. Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

HYMN

Another World/All Shall Be Well music: Ana Hernández (b. 1957)

Another world is not only possible, she is on her way

On a quiet day, I can hear her breathing

All shall be well, and all shall be well, And all manner of things shall be well

Julian of Norwich (1343 – c. 1416)

SERMON

We Have Not Come This Far To Come Only This Far

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Hannah Shanefield, soprano Molly Flynn, mezzo soprano Andrew Stack, baritone

It's been a long, dark night
And I've been waiting for the morning
It's been a long, hard fight
But I can see a brand new day dawning
And I've been looking for the sunshine
'Cause I ain't seen it in so long
Everything's gonna work out just fine
Everything's gonna be alright
That's been all wrong

'Cause I can see the light of a clear blue morning I can see the light of a brand new day I can see the light of a clear blue morning Everything's gonna be alright It's gonna be okay

It's been a long, long time
Since I've known the taste of freedom
And those clinging vines
That had me bound, well I don't need them
I've been like a captured eagle
You know an eagle's born to fly
Now that I have won my freedom
Like an eagle I am eager for the sky

'Cause I can see the light of a clear blue morning I can see the light of a brand new day I can see the light of a clear blue morning Everything's gonna be alright It's gonna be okay

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. 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 <u>automatic payments</u> 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. Closer than ever, we can thrive! *Thank you for your steadfastness and support!*

OFFERTORY

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

Yesterday, when you were young Everything you needed done was done for you Now you do it on your own But you find you're all alone What can you do?

You and me walk on, walk on, walk on Cause you can't go back now

You know there will be days when you're so tired that you can't take another step

The night will have no stars and you'll think you've gone as far as you will ever get

But you and me walk on, walk on, walk on Cause you can't go back now

And yeah, yeah, go where you want to go Yeah, yeah, be what you want to be If you ever turn around, you'll see me

I can't really say why everybody wishes they were somewhere else But in the end, the only steps that matter are the ones we take all by ourselves And you and me walk on, walk on, walk on Yeah you and me walk on, walk on, walk on Cause you can't go back now Walk on, walk on, walk on We can't go back now

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 (<u>riacboston.org</u>), 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 1021

Sometimes in our lives We all have pain, we all have sorrow But if we are wise We know that there's always tomorrow

Chorus

Lean on me when you're not strong And I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on For it won't be long 'Til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on

Please, swallow your pride If I have things you need to borrow For no one can fill those of your needs That you won't let show

Chorus

Lean on me when you're not strong And I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on For it won't be long 'Til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on

If there is a load You have to bear that you can't carry I'm right up the road, I'll share your load If you just call me

You just call on me, darling, when you need a hand We all need somebody to lean on I just might have a problem that you'll understand We all need somebody to lean on

Chorus

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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, 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 my people Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune, from Suite in D Major Charles Callahan (b.1951)
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ



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This morning's pulpit flowers are a gift from the Richard Mattoli flower fund.

Thank you, Richard!