Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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or (929) 436-2866 (phone) [Meeting ID is 895 886 6876]

Sunday, June 6^{th} , 2021

Prelude
Simple Gifts
What Wondrous Love
Somewhere
from West Side Story
We Are Family Bernard Edwards (1952 – 1996) and Nile Rodgers (b. 1952) as performed by Sister Sledge
Yulia Yun, piano and organ
WELCOMERev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister
The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.
CHALICE LIGHTING IN HONOR OF OUR NEW MEMBERS
We Need One Another
We need one another when we mourn and would be comforted.
We need one another when we are in trouble and afraid.
We need one another when we despair, in temptation, and need to be recalled to our best selves again.
We need one another when we would accomplish some great purpose, and cannot do it alone.
We need one another in the hour of success, when we look for someone to share our triumphs.
We need one another in the hour of our defeat when, with encouragement, we might endure and stand again.
We need one another when we come to die, and would have gentle hands prepare us for the journey.
All our lives we are in need, and others are in need of us.

Introit

Mark David Buckles, percussion and vocals

I'm gonna lift my sister up, she is not heavy I'm gonna lift my sister up, she is not heavy

I'm gonna lift my sister up, she is not heavy

If I don't lift her up

If I don't lift her up

If I don't lift her up

I will fall down.

I'm gonna lift my brother up, he is not heavy...

I'm gonna lift my sibling up, they are not heavy...

I'm gonna lift my neighbor up, they are not heavy...

I'm gonna lift my people up, they are not heavy...

Greetings Lucy Humphrey, Worship Coordinator

HYMN 1014

Answering the Call of Love text: Rev. Kendyl Gibbons (b. 1955) music: Rev. Jason Shelton (b. 1972)

Tevan Goldberg, piano and vocals

The promise of the Spirit Faith, hope and love abide And so every soul is blessed and made whole The truth in our hearts is our guide

Chorus

We are answering the call of love Hands joined together as hearts beat as one Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim We are answering the call of love

Sometimes we build a barrier to keep love tightly bound Corrupted by fear, unwilling to hear Denying the beauty we've found

Chorus

We are answering the call of love Hands joined together as hearts beat as one Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim We are answering the call of love

A bright new day is dawning when love will not divide Reflections of grace in every embrace Fulfilling the vision divine

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

Hana Omori, piano and vocals; Kazuhiro Omori, guitar

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance <u>here</u>. During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit El amor es el espíritu 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. Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

HYMN 18

What Wondrous Love text: American Folk Hymn new lyrics: Connie Campbell Hart (b. 1929) music: Southern Harmony (1835)

arrangement: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul What wondrous love is this, O my soul? What wondrous love is this that brings my heart such bliss And takes away the pain of my soul, of my soul And takes away the pain of my soul

What wondrous love What wondrous love What wondrous love What wondrous love

When I was sinking down, sinking down When I was sinking down, sinking down When I was sinking down beneath my sorrows ground Friends to me gathered round, O my soul, O my soul Friends to me gathered round, O my soul

What wondrous love What wondrous love What wondrous love What wondrous love

To love and to all friends I will sing, I will sing
To love and to all friends I will sing
To love and to all friends who pain and sorrow mend
With thanks unto the end I will sing, I will sing
With thanks unto the end I will sing

What wondrous love What wondrous love What wondrous love What wondrous love

SERMON

Belonging Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Somewhere text: Stephen Sondheim (b. 1930) from West Side Story music: Leonard Bernstein (1918 – 1990)

Hana Omori, soprano; Kazuhiro Omori, guitar

There's a place for us Somewhere a place for us Peace and quiet and open air Wait for us somewhere

There's a time for us Some day a time for us Time together with time spare Time to learn, time to care

Some day Somewhere We'll find a new way of living We'll find a way of forgiving Somewhere...

There's a place for us
A time and place for us
Hold my hand and we're halfway there
Hold my hand and I'll take you there

Somehow Some day Somewhere!

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 <u>automatic</u>



<u>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. Together though apart, we can thrive! *Thank you for your steadfastness and support!*

OFFERTORY

Daniel Rosensweig, piano and vocals

I need you, you need me We're all a part of G*d's body Stand with me, agree with me We're all a part of G*d's body

It is Love's will that every need be supplied You are important to me I need you to survive You are important to me I need you to survive

I pray for you, you pray for me I love you, I need you to survive I won't harm you with words from my mouth I love you, I need you to survive

It is Love's will that every need be supplied You are important to me I need you to survive You are important to me I need you to survive

Parish Highlights

JUNE SHARE THE PLATE: BOSTON GAY MEN'S CHORUS

The Boston Gay Men's Chorus (BGMC.org) is 200 proud voices, shattering stereotypes with its groundbreaking community outreach and celebrated for its outstanding musicianship and creative programming under the dynamic leadership of Music Director Reuben M. Reynolds III. The BGMC has been a special partner to Arlington Street since its founding here in 1982, spending Christmas Eve together, participating in each other's fundraising, and



working together for justice. During this pandemic year, the BGMC generously hosted us in its Zoom room on Christmas Eve and donated precious video footage of previous holiday concerts so that the show could go on. In celebration of Pride, let's show them our thanks with a generous gift!

Hymn

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

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

Open the door and come on in I'm so glad to see you my friends You're all like rainbows 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

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

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

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

* Out of respect for Arlington Street Church members and friends who are Jewish, we follow the tradition of not spelling out G*d's name.



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

Thank you, Richard!