



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts
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[Meeting ID: 895 886 6876]

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025
HONORING MEMORIAL DAY

PRELUDE

In Memoriam (1962) *Jeanne Joulain* (1920–2010)
In Memoriam (1969) *Marcel Dupré* (1886–1971)
Elegy (1944) *Sir George Thalben-Ball* (1896–1987)
Rodger Clinton Vine (he/him), Artist in Residence, organ

WELCOME & GREETINGS Rev. Parisa Parsa (she/her)
Darrell Waters (he/him), Worship Coordinator

INTROIT

Peace Variations *Nick Page* (b. 1952)
after *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685–1750)
Bek Zehr (they/them), mezzo soprano
Mark David Buckles (he/him), piano

Peace, Shalom, Salaam, Pacem, Peace

OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING

In Flanders Fields *John McRae* (1872–1919)
Rev. Parisa Parsa

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*HYMN 155

Circle 'Round for Freedom *Linda Hirschhorn* (b. 1947)

Circle 'round for freedom	Circle for the planet
Circle 'round for peace	Circle for each soul
For all of us imprisoned	For the children of our children
Circle for release	Keep the circle whole

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

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson* (b. 1950) & *Randy Scruggs* (1953–2018)
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 at tinyurl.com/ASCCandle.
During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.*

To reach a member of the Pastoral Care team, please email Care@ASCBoston.org.

AFFIRMATION & 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.

READING

Memory *Rev. Victoria Safford*

*HYMN 119

Once to Every Soul and Nation text: *James Russell Lowell*
tune: *Thomas Russell Lowell* (1869–1944)
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Once to every soul and nation comes the moment to decide
In the strife of truth with falsehood, for the good or evil side
Then to stand with truth is noble, when we share its wretched crust
Ere that cause bring fame and profit, and 'tis prosperous to be just

Though the cause of evil prosper, yet 'tis truth alone is strong
Though its portion be the scaffold, and upon the throne be wrong
Then it is the brave one chooses, while the coward stands aside
Till the multitude make virtue of the faith they have denied

READING

Facing It *Yusef Komunyakaa* (b. 1947)

ANTHEM

Catoosa County *Shawn Mullins* (b. 1968)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

Bek Zehr, vocals

I turned 17, spring of 1861

And I killed 20 men 'fore I turned 21

20 holes in 20 men, 20 holes they's buried in

There they lay in the cold red Georgia clay at Catoosa County

I can hear the screaming, I can smell black powder burning

Cannon balls flying and the Gatlin' guns turning

A thousand souls, a thousand men, a thousand holes they's buried in

Shallow graves in the cold hard Georgia clay at Catoosa County

And the blue and the gray paint the colors of the lie

How the old men found a way to send the young men out to die

If I could I would place a hundred billion dollar bounty

On the hate that makes a war that digs graves at Catoosa County

Night falling on the hills and the blue moon comes a-shining

And I can hear the whippoorwill and the coyotes go to whining

And all the souls of all the men roll in the holes they's buried in

Blue and gray and the blood red Georgia clay at Catoosa County

And the blue and the gray paint the colors of the lie

And it's true you can pray but even G-d ain't saying why

If I could I would place a hundred billion dollar bounty

On the hate that makes the wars that digs the graves at Catoosa County

HOMILY

Clouds of Witnesses Rev. Parisa Parsa

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION & PRAYER

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

It's up to us to finance the beloved spiritual community we want to create! Today, we invite you to be part of Arlington Street's story of devotion, innovation, and transformative generosity.



WAYS TO GIVE

1. Scan the QR code
2. Visit tinyurl.com/GiveASC
3. Search @ArlingtonStreet on Venmo (Charities)
4. Text the word “GIVE” to (617) 300-0509
5. Mail a check to Arlington Street Church

If you would like to give regularly, you can set up automatic payments at tinyurl.com/GiveASC or by contacting Liz Teixeira Treasurer@ASCBoston.org. We encourage you to provide now for a future gift to Arlington Street by remembering the church in your will. Thank you for helping to ensure a robust future for our beloved spiritual community!

SHARE THE PLATE

Generosity is a spiritual practice at Arlington Street Church. Because sharing our resources transforms both ourselves and our world, we share our Sunday offering with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace.



With 21 chapters nationwide and over 940 nonprofit partners, Gay for Good energizes and mobilizes the LGBTQ+ community to volunteer alongside the greater community through social welfare and environmental service projects. Their mission is to promote goodwill and understanding through collaborative volunteerism.

The Boston chapter is the most active in the country. Arlington Street proudly hosts their annual Valentine’s Day project, where volunteers handcraft cards for elders in Boston and surrounding communities. Learn more at gayforgood.org.

To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit tinyurl.com/GiveASC; or text the amount you want to give and the word SHARE (ex. \$50 SHARE) to (617) 300-0509.

Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY

In Flanders Fields text: *John McCrae* (1872–1918)
music: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

HONORING LOVED ONES LOST TO WAR

*HYMN

Peace, Salaam, Shalom..... *Pat Humphries* (b. 1960) & *Sandy Opatow* (b. 1966)

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

Fugue in D Major, BWV 532 *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685–1750)
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ



*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.*

GOOD TO KNOW!	
	Discounted Sunday parking is available at the Back Bay Garage at 500 Boylston Street. Please request a coupon from an usher. Also, meters are free on Sunday!
	Thanks to Art Nava and our amazing Tech Team, replays of each Sunday service are available at youtube.com/ASCBoston . Also, be sure to subscribe to the Arlington Street Church podcast to ensure you never miss a sermon!
	To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it to tinyurl.com/ASCCandle by 5:00 pm on Saturday. During the service, candles are always welcome in the Zoom chat.
	Providing pulpit flowers is a beautiful way to honor a loved one and give a gift the entire congregation can enjoy. Your dedication in memory, in honor, or in celebration of someone or something you love will be included in the Order of Service. Please email the church office at Office@ASCBoston.org to claim your Sunday!
	If you'd like to submit an announcement, please email the church office at Office@ASCBoston.org by Wednesday evening so it can be included in the weekly e-newsletter and the Order of Service.

 Arlington Street Prudential Committee		
The Prudential Committee is Arlington Street's elected, governing board. "The Pru" is joined by Stephen Anable (Clerk) and Liz Teixeira (Treasurer) in conducting the business of the church.		
Alan Kemp, Chair Sandy Dixon, Co-Chair Kelly Anne Weaver, Co-Chair	Rachel Corey Cathy DeMatto Hala Hazar	Art Nava Laura Pattison Bob Sessions
We welcome your questions and suggestions at Pru_Chair@ASCBoston.org		



This Week at Arlington Street ~ You Are Invited!

SUNDAY, MAY 25

11:00 am ~ Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Zoom)

12:15 pm ~ Coffee Hour (Chapel & Zoom)

5:00 pm ~ Gala Online Auction Closes

MONDAY, MAY 26 *(Church Office Closed)*

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

4:00 pm ~ Poems to Go On (Zoom)

TUESDAY, MAY 27

6:00 pm ~ Buddha's Belly: Buddhist Book Discussion Group (Zoom)

7:00 pm ~ Arlington Meditation Center (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

5:00 pm ~ Tea with the Ministers (Zoom)

(Prompt: What are your favorite local attractions and hidden gems?)

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga (Zoom)

THURSDAY, MAY 29

5:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Writes (Zoom)

7:00 pm ~ Choir Rehearsal (Clarke Room)

8:00 pm ~ Ágora Presents: Los Rivera Destino Concert (Parish Hall)

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

11:00 am ~ Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Zoom)

12:15 pm ~ Community Potluck Lunch & Coffee Hour (Chapel & Zoom)

5:00 pm ~ Memorial for Art Judge (Sanctuary)

For details and Zoom links for these events and more,
please visit ASCBoston.org.



Arlington Street Staff Directory

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You Can Still Contribute to the Gala!



Check out the online auction
to bid on hotel stays in:

- **Albuquerque, NM**
- **Nashville, TN**
- **New York, NY**
- **Montreal, Canada**
- **Venice, Italy**



Bidding ends TODAY (5/25) at 5:00 pm ET

<https://givebutter.com/c/2025ASCgala/auction>