

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, 2023



Dearly Beloved,

This Sunday, accompanied by Julie Metcalf on violin, the Arlington Street Church Choir sings Rev. Richard Gilbert and Elizabeth Alexander's *Into the Silent Darkness* as well as Heather Houston's *Re-Wild My Soul:*

Oh river, re-wild my soul Help me let go of control Show my heart how to flow with ease again I am ready, take me in

Zooming in to share a reflection on this year's Covenant Renewal theme, #ASC-Nation, are our beloved Carmen Griggs & Diana Miller. Carmen & Diana were longtime leaders at Arlington Street who retired to Iowa City, joined our congregation there, and continue to pledge here, as well. Because #ASCNation was made possible by Tech Team lead Art Nava and his crew, the wonder of Zoom, and the generosity of our congregation (investing in the technology to transform our sanctuary into a TV studio!), they've been able to attend services at Arlington Street again, too. *Amazing!*

My sermon is called *The Spiritual Practice of Risk-Taking*. Director of Music Mark David Buckles (guitar), Julie, and Sam LaGrego (percussion) sing Jónphór "Jónsi" Birgisson's *Go Do*. We'll all sing the spiritual *Guide My Feet*, Emma's Revolution's *Swimming to the Other Side*, and Holly Near's *I Am Willing*:

I am open and I am willing
For to be hopeless would seem so strange
It dishonors those who go before us
So lift me up to the light of change

If you're in Boston, after the service, Gaby & George Whitehouse invite you to join them for brunch at Precinct Kitchen + Bar. Meet them at the Great Doors on Arlington Street; the repurposed police station is about a five-minute walk from the meetinghouse. The Whitehouses are making a reservation; please email them at gabygeo@tiac.net to let them know you're coming.

At 5:00 p.m. (EST) on Sunday, our own Jenny Hoefler reprises her wildly popular Vegan Cooking with Jenny, <u>Zooming</u> into our kitchens from hers (in Pennsylvania!). What a fabulous weekend to make cream of mushroom soup!

And from 9:30-10:00 p.m. (EST), our own Judah Leblang will be one of three featured storytellers on the theme of *transformation*. The show will be broadcast on WBGH's World Channel and streaming online. Here's a <u>link</u> to the trailer. For more Judah, go to <u>ASCBoston.org</u>. *Congratulations*, *Judah!*

Faithfully yours, with love, Kim

