

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2018

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until the end of greetings.

PRELUDE

Six Studies in English Folksong

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 - 1958)

- I. Adagio “Lovely on the Water”
 - II. Andante Sostenuto “Spurn Point”
 - V. Andante tranquillo “The Lady and the Dragon”
 - VI. Allegro vivace “As I walked over London Bridge”
- Katherine Matasy, clarinet
Xuan He, piano

INTROIT

In the Quiet and the Stillness *Rosalyn Kalmer*
Katie Elledge, soprano

In the quiet and the stillness of the morning,
In the quiet and the stillness of the day,
In this quiet, holy place, I find blessed peace within,
In the quiet and the stillness of the morning.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

***HYMN 41**

You That Have Spent the Silent Night

You that have spent the silent night in sleep and quiet rest,
and joy to see the cheerful light that rises in the east, that rises in
the east,

Now lift your hearts, your voices raise, your morning tribute bring;
all nature join in grateful praise--rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
rejoice, give thanks, and sing

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

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

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 1002

Comfort Me

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

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

Sing with me, sing with me, sing with me, oh my soul.

Sing with me, sing with me, sing with me, oh my soul.

Speak for me, speak for me, speak for me, oh my soul.

Speak for me, speak for me, speak for me, oh my soul.

Dance with me, dance with me, dance with me, oh my soul.

Dance with me, dance with me, dance with me, oh my soul.

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

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

SERMON

Deep Rest Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

The Peace of Wild Things text: *Wendell Berry* (b. 1934)

music: *Gwyneth Walker* (b. 1947)

Katie Elledge, soprano

Daniel Rosensweig, tenor

Katherine Matasy, clarinet

When despair for the world grows in me
and I wake in the night at the least sound
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,
I go and lie down where the wood drake
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.
I come into the peace of wild things
who do not tax their lives with forethought
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.
And I feel above me the day-blind stars
waiting with their light. For a time
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 289 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the larger community – half of the offering is shared



with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Six Studies in English Folksong ... *Ralph Vaughan Williams* (1872 - 1958)

III. Larghetto "Van Dieman's Land"

IV. Lento "She Borrowed Some of her Mother's Gold"

Katherine Matasy, clarinet

Xuan He, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 201

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah

Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down.

Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down.

Feel like shouting, "Halleluja!" ...

Life is sweeter, so much sweeter. ...

Feel like dancing, hallelujah! ...

Love is shining all around me, ...

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*RECESSIONAL *(sung twice; please join in!)*

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*

music: *Tom Witt*, arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,

Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, walk humbly in God's care.

POSTLUDE

Gavotte from French Suite No. 5 *J.S. Bach* (1685 - 1750)

Xuan He, organ

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

For today's intergenerational worship, children and youth are invited to sit with their families or join Beth in the balcony to enjoy the service with sermon bingo, coloring, and some of our favorite stuffed animal friends. Kids will head up to the balcony as we sing *Comfort Me* and return during our closing hymn, *Glory, Glory, Hallelujah*.

Lena and Allie are available in the nursery to care for babies and small children. To find the nursery, go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery is on your left before the stairs.

January Share the Plate: Black Lives Matter Boston

As part of the national Movement for Black Lives, Black Lives Matter Boston (BLM Boston) is committed to building equity, political will, and power for all Black lives in Metro Boston and beyond. We exist to challenge and disrupt all racist and oppressive systems, end police and economic violence in our communities, and abolish the prison industrial complex. We imagine and work to build a world where all human beings are accorded dignity and have what they need to flourish. For more information, please visit <https://policy.m4bl.org/platform>.

Thank you for your generosity!