



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

*This morning's pulpit flowers
are given in celebration of the life of
Jeanne Monaghan
by her family*

PRELUDE

Long Long Ago.....*Yuriko Nakamura* (b. 1958)

Presence.....*Youngjun Cho*

Hyunju Jung, piano

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

Till the Clouds Roll By, from *Oh, Boy!*.....music: *Jerome Kern* (1885–1945)

lyrics: *P. G. Wodehouse* (1881–1975) & *Guy Bolton* (1884–1979)

Dedicated to those who serve to protect the safety and freedom of all

Joe Della Penna, Jazz Artist in Residence, piano and vocals

Oh, the rain comes a pitter, patter,
And I'd like to be safe in bed.
Skies are weeping
While the world is sleeping.
Trouble keeping on our head.

It is vain to remain and chatter
And to wait for a clearer sky;
Helter skelter I must fly for shelter
Till the clouds roll by.

GREETINGS Patrick Cooleybeck, Worship Coordinator

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

***HYMN**

Better Days..... *Pat Humphries* (b.1960) & *Sandy Opatow*
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

We have come, in the light
To this place, in the light
With our hearts, in the light
Open wide

We are here, in the light
Giving voice, in the light
To the truth, in the light
We divine

Chorus

Let us sing for today
Let us learn better ways
Showing love, in the light
Giving hope, in the light
We create, in the light
Better days

We are born, in the dark
We are fed, in the dark
We connect, in the dark
Through the veil

We are held, in the dark
We are healed, in the dark
Mysteries, in the dark
We reveal

Chorus

Let us sing for today
Let us learn better ways
Showing love, in the dark
Giving hope, in the dark
We create, in the dark
Better days

Time is now, we begin
Where we are, we begin
We have all, we begin
That we need

To renew, we begin
To release, we begin
To rebuild, we begin
To believe

Chorus

Let us sing for today
Let us learn better ways
Showing love, we begin
Giving hope, we begin
We create, we begin
Better days

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 ASCBoston.org.
During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.*

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 out 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 1015

I Know I Can Go On *Jeannie Gagné* (b. 1960)
arrangement: *Mark Freudnt* (b. 1966) & *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Though days be dark with storms
And burdens weigh my heart
Though troubles wait at every turn
I know I can go on

Though troubles wait at every turn
I know I can go on

When sorrow heals my soul
And burdens make me strong
Though troubles wait at every turn
I know I can go on

And though the journey is long
The destination is near
Though troubles wait at every turn
I know I can go on

My sibling in my heart
My kindred in my song

So brothers take my hand
And sisters sing my song
When hope awaits at every turn
I know we will go on

SERMON

Holiday Survival Guide Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

You've Got a Friend *Carole King* (b. 1942)
arrangement: *Mac Huff* (b. 1955)

*In memory of longtime Arlington Street Church Choir member,
Jeanne Monaghan, whose life we celebrate this afternoon*

Bek Zehr, mezzo soprano
Megan Cook, soprano

When you're down and troubled
And you need a helping hand
And nothing, nothing is going right
Close your eyes and think of me
And soon I will be there
To brighten up even your darkest night

You just call out my name
And you know, wherever I am
I'll come running
To see you again
Winter, spring, summer, or fall
All you've got to do is call
And I'll be there, yes I will
You've got a friend

If the sky above you
Should turn dark and full of clouds
And that old north wind should begin
to blow
Keep your head together
And call my name out loud
Soon, I'll be knocking upon your door

You just call out my name
And you know, wherever I am
I'll come running
To see you again
Winter, spring, summer, or fall
All you have to do is call
And I'll be there, yes I will

Ain't it good to know
that you've got a friend
When people can be so cold?
They'll hurt you, and desert you
And take your soul if you let them
But don't you let them

You just call out my name
And you know, wherever I am
I'll come running, running, running
To see you again
Winter, spring, summer, or fall
All you have to do is call
And I'll be there, yes, I will
You've got a friend

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Since 1729, the support of our community has allowed Arlington Street to thrive as a beacon of love, service, justice, and peace. This congregation is entirely self-supporting. In addition, we share each Sunday's collection with a partner in our vital mission. 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 transformational generosity. Please consider making a special gift to this morning's offering.



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're ready to give regularly, you can set up automatic payments at tinyurl.com/GiveASC or by contacting Liz Teixeira at Treasurer@ASCBoston.org. Rev. Kim, Rev. Beth, and many of our most devoted members and friends pledge 5-10% of their income each year. In addition, 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!

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

NOVEMBER SHARE THE PLATE: ONLY A CHILD

Founded in Guatemala City in 1994 by Arlington Street member George Leger, the mission of Only a Child is to break the cycle of chronic hunger, malnutrition, disease, violent crime, and despair. To that end, Only a Child maintains a home and insures an education for youth from impoverished backgrounds. The home welcomes up to a dozen youths and provides a surrogate family in which they are taught responsibility and accountability, develop confidence and self-esteem, and are supported in receiving an excellent education. Our gifts will fund both the Only a Child home and sponsor tuition at high-quality, independent secondary schools and university. For more information, please visit OnlyaChild.org.

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

OFFERTORY

Hope, from *Sleeping at Last* *Ryan O'Neal* (b. 1983)
Bek Zehr, mezzo soprano
Mark David Buckles, piano

There is hope in our eyes
When we truly see each other
Like the light of countless stars
We are not afraid of the dark
'Cause there is hope in our hearts
And every single beat, we feel it
To the ends of the earth
Our echo carries on
We are sacred, we are strong
We are beautiful, we belong
Please hear our unheard song

There is hope in our voice
When we listen to each other
Barriers disappeared
With every story told
We are sacred, we are strong
We are beautiful, we belong

Please hear our unheard song

There is hope in our eyes
When we truly see each other
We raise our flag, lift our voice

This is our moment
We are sacred, we are strong
This is our moment
We are beautiful, we belong
This is our moment
We are worthy, we are true
This is our moment
There are no borders from this view
Please help us raise our flag

There is hope in our eyes
When we truly see each other

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 1021

Lean on Me..... *Bill Withers* (1938–2020)

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

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

BENEDICTION AND 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

Deus Poderoso *Alda Celia* (b. 1964)
Hyunju Jung, piano

