

**ANTHEM**

Hope for Resolution .....13th Century Christmas Plainsong Chant  
and South African Freedom Song  
arranged: Paul Caldwell and Sean Ivory

Matt Meyer, percussion

*In its juxtaposition of a European chant melody (Of the Father's Love Begotten) and an anti-apartheid song from South Africa (Thula Sizwe), this piece celebrates our potential for peaceful coexistence and the transforming power of love.*

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Of the Father's love begotten,  
Ere the worlds began to be,  
He is Alpha and Omega,  
He the source, the ending he,  
Of the things that are,  
that have been,  
And that future years shall see,  
Evermore and evermore.

O that birth forever blessèd,  
When the virgin, full of grace,  
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
Bore the saviour of our race;  
And the babe,  
the world's redeemer,  
First revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore!

O ye heights of heaven  
adore him;  
Angel hosts, his praises sing;  
Powers, dominions,  
bow before him,  
And extol our God and King!  
Let no tongue on earth  
be silent,  
Every voice in concert sing,  
Evermore and evermore!

Thula Sizwe

Nation, do not cry.  
Jehovah will protect us.  
We will attain freedom.  
Jehovah will protect us.

**OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 287 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**

To Us is Given ..... Dave Brubeck (1920 - 2012)

**PARISH HIGHLIGHTS**

**Service is Our Gift**

- Candles Coordinator, *John O'Connor*
- Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*
- Lead Greeter, *Jenn Britt*
- Lead Usher, *Ellen Spencer*
- Worship Coordinator, *Rev. George G. Whitehouse*
- Assistant Treasurers, *Paul Babbitt & Ellen Spencer*

**\*HYMN 239**

Go Tell It on the Mountain

**\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

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

We Wish You a Merry Christmas .... Trad. 16th century English Carol

We wish you a Merry Christmas (x3)  
and a Happy New Year.

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**POSTLUDE**

Joy to the World ..... Lowell Mason (1792 - 1872)

piano arrangement: Dave Brubeck (1920 - 2012)

Linli Wang, piano

*Please help to prepare the sanctuary for our Christmas Eve services by removing the hymnals from your pew and bringing them to the library carts at the Great Doors. Thank you!*

**Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)**

Today, children and youth will remain in the sanctuary for the Lessons & Carols service. There is an interactive order of service by the Great Doors with puzzles, a Mad Lib, and color pages! There is childcare available in the nursery as well as an audio feed of the service. To reach 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.

**Staff Directory**

**Parish Ministers**

- Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, *Senior Minister*
- Rev. George G. Whitehouse, *Minister at Large*
- Beth Robbins, *Intern Minister*

**Community Ministers**

- Dr. Arthur Judge, *Hospital Chaplain, retired*
- Rev. Clyde Grubbs, *Interim Minister, Cambridge*
- Rev. Fred Small, *Minister for Climate Justice*
- Rev. Joanna Lubkin, *Chaplain, Wellesley College*
- Rev. Vera O'Brien, *Chaplain, Brigham and Women's Hospital*

**Intern Ministers**

- Erica Rose Long, *Massachusetts General Hospital*
- Liz Weber, *UU Church of Reading, Massachusetts*

**Music**

- Mark David Buckles, *Director of Music*
- Linli Wang, *Organist and Pianist*
- Rodger Clinton Vine, *Artist in Residence*

**Choir Section Leaders**

- Julie Gregorio, *soprano*
- Emily Jaworski, *mezzo soprano*
- Daniel Rosensweig, *tenor*
- Lawson Daves, *bass*

**Children's Religious Education**

- Laura Evonne Steinman, *CRE Director and Artist in Residence*
- Jaimie Dingsu, *CRE Assistant*

**Administration**

- Jeffrey Bouchard, *Congregational Administrator*
- Adam Berman, *Bookkeeper*
- Brad Nobles, *Sexton*
- Laurinda O'Connor, *Publications*

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**ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH**  
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

LESSONS & CAROLS  
ADVENT 4: LOVE

7 Unitarian Universalist  
PRINCIPLES

1. The inherent WORTH and DIGNITY of every being
2. JUSTICE, EQUITY, and COMPASSION in all relations
3. ACCEPTANCE of one another and encouragement of SPIRITUAL GROWTH
4. A free and responsible search for TRUTH and MEANING
5. The right of CONSCIENCE and the use of the DEMOCRATIC process
6. The goal of world community with PEACE, LIBERTY, and JUSTICE for all
7. RESPECT for the INTERDEPENDENT WEB of which we are a part

Arlington Street Church  
Boston, Massachusetts  
Founded in 1729

*Gathered in love and service for justice and peace*

# Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

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

*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

O Little Town of Bethlehem ..... *Lewis Redner* (1831 - 1908)  
O Holy Night ..... *Adolphe Adam* (1803 - 1856)  
The First Noel ..... *Traditional English Carol*  
March, from The Nutcracker ..... *Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky* (1840 - 1893)  
Maya Cooleybeck, guitar

## INTROIT

Angels from the Realms of Glory  
text: *James Montgomery* (1771 - 1864)  
music: *Henry Smart* (1813 - 1879)  
arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

## WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith*

## LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH: ADVENT 4

Love ..... *Al Ingram and Connie Scanlon*

## \*CAROL 231

Angels We Have Heard On High

## LESSON

Each Night a Child is Born is a Holy Night  
Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

## THE DEDICATION OF OWEN MICHAEL JANERO

## \*CAROL

Away in a Manger ..... text: *Anonymous 19th century*  
music: *James R. Murray* (1841 - 1905)

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head.  
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.  
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray:  
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,  
And take us to heaven, to live with thee there.

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary ..... *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)  
text adapted by *Crawford Harvie / Buckles*  
music arranged by *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

Open my heart to be a sanctuary  
All made holy, loved and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you

## 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.
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## CANTICLE

Let it Go ..... *Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez* (b. 1975)  
from *Frozen*  
Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

## LESSON

Snow on Standing Rock Reservation ..... *Laura Evonne Steinman*  
Director of Children's Religious Education & Artist in Residence

## \*CAROL

Let it Snow! ..... text: *Sammy Cahn* (1913 - 1993)  
music: *Johnny Marks* (1909 - 1985)

Oh the weather outside is frightful But the fire is so delightful And since we've no place to go Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!	When we finally kiss good night How I'll hate going out in the storm! But if you'll really hold me tight All the way home I'll be warm
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It doesn't show signs of stopping And I've brought some corn for popping The lights are turned way down low Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!	The fire is slowly dying And, my dear, we're still goodbye-ing But as long as you love me so Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!
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## LESSON

A Sunshine State Christmas ..... *Beth Robbins, Intern Minister*

## \*CAROL

I'll Be Home for Christmas ..... text: *Kim Gannon* (1900 - 1974)  
music: *Walter Kent* (1911 - 1994)

I'll be home for Christmas;  
You can count on me.  
Please have snow and mistletoe  
And presents on the tree.

Christmas Eve will find me  
Where the love light gleams.  
I'll be home for Christmas  
If only in my dreams.

## LESSON

Jingle Bells ..... *Jaimie Dingus*  
Harvard Divinity School Field Education Student

## \*CAROL

Jingle Bells ..... text and music: *James Lord Pierpont* (1822 - 1893)

Dashing through the snow  
In a one-horse open sleigh  
O'er the fields we go  
Laughing all the way  
Bells on bobtail ring  
Making spirits bright  
What fun it is to ride and sing  
A sleighing song tonight!

Jingle bells, jingle bells,  
Jingle all the way.  
What fun it is to ride and sing  
In a one-horse open sleigh.  
Jingle bells, jingle bells,  
Jingle all the way;  
Oh! what fun it is to ride  
In a one-horse open sleigh.

## SONG

You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch! ..... text: *Dr. Seuss* (1904 - 1991)  
music: *Albert Hague* (1920 - 2001)

Dan Ivy, bass

## LESSON

The Grinch ..... *Mark David Buckles, Director of Music*

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

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