POSTLUDE

Fugato and Presto from Variations on a Noel Rodger Clinton Vine, organ *Marcel Dupré* (1886-1971)

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

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

There is no formal CRE today. Everyone is invited to be a part of the Lessons and Carols Service! There are coloring pages at the CRE table in the front of the sanctuary. For our very young children, there is childcare in the Perkins Room and project preparation for Christmas Eve. A special thanks to all the youth for helping with sandwich board.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES ~ 5, 7, AND 9 PM

Please come and bring your loved ones to share in this magical evening! The 5 PM service is perfect for children and fun for all. The 7 and 9 PM services feature the Boston Gay Men's Chorus. Candle lighting is a highlight of all three services!

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

At Your Service:

- * If you would like a large print order of service and hymns, or Brailled hymns
- * If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- * If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, John O'Connor Lead Greeter, Jenn Britt Lead Usher, Dave Erbe Worship Coordinator, Rev. George G. Whitehouse Assistant Treasurers, Nancy George and Dave Erbe

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE MEMBERS ARE:

Shane McBride (chair) / Harlow Robinson (vice-chair) / Christine Curtiss / Alex Frost Greg Haig / Kerry Marshall / Dan Moon Ellen Payzant / Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Samuel Gloyd and Desmond Ravenstone (co-moderators) / David McClain (clerk) Susie Nacco (treasurer)

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs in the Perkins Room for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available.

For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22ND, 2013

ADVENT 4 ~ LOVE
LESSONS AND CAROLS



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 22 ND, 2013

PRELUDE

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

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH ~ ADVENT 4

Love Erica Long, Field Education Student

*CAROL 239

Go Tell It on the Mountain

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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 beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.



AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit El amor es el espíritu of this congregation, de nuestra congregación And service is our gift. Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.

This is our great covenant: Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:

To dwell together in peace, Convivir en paz,

To speak our truths in love, Hablar nuestras verdades con amor, And to help one another. Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

SONG

My Favorite Things, from *The Sound of Music*

text: Richard Rodgers (1902-1979) music: Oscar Hammerstein (1895-1960)

Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Nick Place, piano

*Lesson

Snowflakes Laura Evonne Steinman

*CAROL

We Three Kings text & music: Rev. John Henry Hopkins (1820-1891)

arr. Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Verse One Verse Two

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar.
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign.

Following yonder star. Chorus

Chorus Verse Three

O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright, Westward leading, still proceeding,

Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Guide us to thy perfect Light. Sounds through the earth and skies.

Chorus

LESSONS

ANTHEM

Tres Villancicos de Navidad (Three Christmas Carols)

I. Dadme Albricias (Give me glad tidings, children of Eve!)

Anonymous 16th century Spanish carol arr. Ben Allaway (b. 1958)

Laura Heinrichs, flute; Ryan Meyer, percussion; Nick Place, piano

*CAROL 240

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

LESSON

Love Actually Is All Around Catie Scudera

ANTHEM

Laura Gilmore O'Connor, Eve Lauria, and Karen Tausch, sopranos Richard Marshall, baritone

Laura Heinrichs, flute; Ryan Meyer, percussion; Susan Miron, harp River, little river, guardian of the riverside, God keep the wolf from our sheep.

*CAROL 244

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

LESSON

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Tres Villancicos de Navidad (Three Christmas Carols)

III. Dansaron (O gift of gifts, Virgin Mary)

Anonymous 16th century Spanish carol arr. Ben Allaway (b. 1958)

Marco Jordao, tenor; Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

Zachary Ballard, baritone

Laura Heinrichs, flute; Ryan Meyer, percussion; Susan Miron, harp

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

OFFERTORY

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*CAROL 231

Angels We Have Heard on High

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

We Wish You A Merry Christmas trad. 16th century English carol

We wish you a Merry Christmas (3) 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!

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