Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MARCH 16^{TH} , 2014

PRELUDE

Introit

Joanna Lubkin, banjo and vocals Mark David Buckles, mandolin and vocals Rachel Kelly, violin and vocals

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS

*HYMN 131

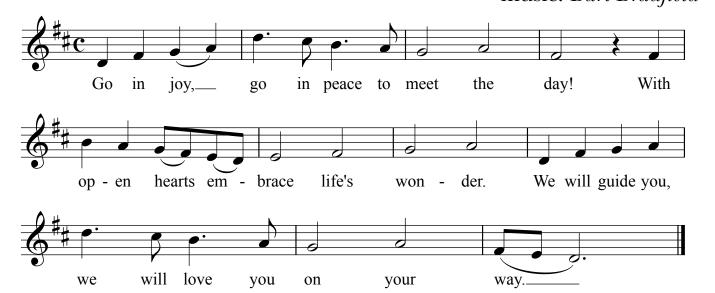
Love Will Guide Us

STORY IN THE SANCTUARY

St. Patrick and the Clover Laura Evonne Steinman

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: Barbara Pescan music: Bart Bradfield



At this time, all children are welcome to join the Children's Religious Education program!

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."

Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

Spirit of Life, come unto me. Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.

sube en la mar;

libérame,

Sing in my heart all the Y al corazón,

stirrings of compassion. cántale tu compasión.

Blow in the wind, rise in Sopla al volar,

the sea;

Move in the hand, giving
life the shape of justice.

Hasta moldear
la justicia de la vida

Roots hold me close; wings Arráigame,

set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me. Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit El amor es el espíritu de nuestra congregación And service is our gift. Y el servicio es nuestro regale

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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.

*HYMN 34

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

SERMON Rev. Jennifer Channin Because the Stakes Are So High

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

Life Uncommon Jewel Kilcher (b. 1974)

Joanna Lubkin, vocals

Mark David Buckles, piano and vocals

Rachel Kelly, violin and vocals

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

Waltz Op. 64 No. 1 Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849) Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Hymn 168

One More Step

*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good music: Tom Witt, arr. Buckles

When you walk from here, When you walk from here, Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, And with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

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

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, we are meeting in our grade-based groups.

- Kindergarten–2nd graders, Nancy, and Sandy are reading *Henry Works* and "playing house."
- 2nd-5th graders and Vera are participating in a walking meditation and creating their own zen gardens.
- 5th-8th graders and Vickie are creating a Unitarian Universalist board game.

We invite all families and friends of CRE to march together in this year's St. Patrick's Day Peace Parade. There will be a group traveling to the parade after church today at 1:15. For more information email Laura at les@ascboston.org.

If you are new to Arlington Street and would like to learn more about how you or your family can become involved with CRE, let's all eat lunch together in the Perkins Room after the service! You can also email Erica at elong@ascboston.org for more information about the program and to receive the weekly CRE email newsletter.

Share the Plate

We have begun a new spiritual practice of generosity at Arlington Street: *Share the Plate*! Fifty percent of the money in the collection plate this month will go to Friday Night Supper Program, in honor of their birthday. For 30 years, hot meals have been served from Arlington Street's kitchen to guests who are hungry.

The Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie and the Choir are away this Sunday. Both will return next week!