Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, MAY 17^{TH} , 2020

COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY!

Today, Arlington Street members and friends renew our Great Covenant to love and service and make financial pledges to sustain our beloved spiritual community.

PRELUDE

Lieder ohne Worte Op. 62 Felix Mendelssohn (1809 – 1847) (Songs without Words)

- I. Andante espressivo ("May Breezes")
- II. Allegro con Fuoco
- IV. Allegro con Anima ("Morning Song")
- VI. Allegretto Grazioso ("Spring Song")

Yulia Yun, piano

GATHERING MUSIC

Hymn 126 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

text: Rev. Robert Robinson (1735 – 1790)

& Rev. Eugene B. Navias (1928 - 2014)

music: John Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music (1813)

Daniel Rosensweig, tenor

Come, thou fount of every blessing Tune our ears to sing thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of life's perfection Fills our hearts with joy and love Teach us ever to be faithful May we still thy goodness prove

Come, thou fount of every vision Lift our eyes to what may come See the lion and the lambkin Dwell together in thy home Hear the cries of war fall silent Feel our love glow like the sun When we all serve one another Then our heaven is begun Come, thou fount of inspiration Turn our lives to higher ways Lift our gloom and desperation Show the promise of this day Help us bind ourselves in union Help our hands tell of our love With thine aid, O fount of justice Earth be fair as heaven above

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister

Rev. Beth Robbins, Executive Minister

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

Introit

Tevan Goldberg, baritone

Praise the mountain and the rain All the gifts that still remain

But the greatest gift of all

And the law above all laws

Is to love your friends and lovers

To lay down your life for your brothers

As you abide in peace

So will your delight increase

As the mystery of the cross

Asa Lovejoy lost the toss

And the fountain in the rain

Where my sorrow still remains

So I run to my friends and lovers

I lay down my life for my brothers

As I abide in peace

So will my delight increase

GREETINGS

COVENANT RENEWAL 2020: #TREASURED Philip Roberts

SONG

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

Give a little bit,

Give a little bit of your love to me

I'll give a little bit,

I'll give a little bit of my love to you

There's so much that we need to share

So send a smile and show you care

I'll give a little bit,

I'll give a little bit of my life for you.

So give a little bit,

Give a little bit of your time to me.

See the man with the lonely eyes,

Oh, take his hand, you'll be surprised

Give a little bit,

Give a little bit of your love to me

I'll give a little bit,

I'll give a little bit of my life to you

Now's the time that we need to share

So find yourself, we're on our way back home

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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

Hana Omori, soprano; Kazuhiro Omori, guitar

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it here by 8:00 am Sunday morning.

During the service, participants will be invited to share sorrows and joys with the community in the chat.

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 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. Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

Hymn

Ann-Marie Iacoviello, soprano

It's the simple love That holds us together It's the simple truth That sets us free

There's a place we're bound And we call it forever It's the simple love Between you and me

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I Got You Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

We Are the World Michael Jackson (1958 - 2009) & Lionel Richie (b. 1949)

Mark David Buckles, piano and vocals Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

There comes a time

When we heed a certain call

When the world must come together as one

There are people dying

Oh, and it's time to lend a hand to life

The greatest gift of all

We can't go on

Pretending day-by-day

That someone, somewhere soon make a change

We're all a part of G*d's great big family

And the truth, you know, love is all we need

Chorus

We are the world

We are the children

We are the ones who make a brighter day, so let's start giving

There's a choice we're making

We're saving our own lives

It's true we'll make a better day, just you and me

Oh, send them your heart

So they know that someone cares

And their lives will be stronger and free

As G*d has shown us by turning stones to bread

And so we all must lend a helping hand

Chorus

When you're down and out, there seems no hope at all

But if you just believe there's no way we can fall

Well let us realize

That a change can only come

When we stand together as one,

Chorus

COVENANT RENEWAL

After the sermon, you will be invited to pledge in one of three ways:

- 1. Text (617) 686-1232
- 2. E-mail Treasurer@ASCBoston.org
- 3. Call (603) 380-9147

When making your pledge, please include these three things:

- 1. Your name
- 2. Your phone number
- 3. Your total pledge amount for the next church year

Thank you!



IMPROVISATION

Julie Metcalf, violin; Mark David Buckles, piano

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY DURING THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Many income-generating events and rentals have had to be cancelled or postponed, putting a huge strain on the budget. **Our ministers and staff are continuing to work; our goal is to continue to pay them.** You can text the word GIVE to (617) 300-0509 or scan the QR code to give any amount you'd like. Even more helpful for cash flow would be to set up <u>automatic payments</u>



via bank transfer or credit card. Our treasurer, Liz Teixeira, (treasurer@ascboston.org) would be happy and grateful to assist you with this process! In addition, please consider making an extra gift to sustain Arlington Street this month. Together though apart, we can thrive! *Thank you for your steadfastness and support!*

OFFERTORY

Hana Omori, soprano; Kazuhiro Omori, guitar

You've got to give a little, take a little And let your poor heart break a little That's the story of, that's the glory of love

You've got to laugh a little, cry a little Before the clouds roll by a little That's the story of, that's the glory of love

As long as there's the two of us We've got the world and all its charms And when the world is through with us We've got each other's arms

We've got to win a little, lose a little And always have the blues a little That's the story of, that's the glory of love

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

FANFARE: TODAY'S GRAND TOTAL

HYMN

Let the life I lead speak for me Let the life I lead speak for me When I come to the end of the road And I lay down my heavy load Let the life I lead speak for me

- 2. Let the friends I have ...
- 3. Let the work I do ...
- 4. Let the love I share ...
- 5. Let the songs I sing ...
- 6. Let the life I lead ...

For our benediction, you are invited to put your hands over your heart in Namaste—

I bow to the Divine in You.

RECESSIONAL

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

William Tell Overture Gioacino Rossini (1792 – 1868) piano arrangement: Jacob Koller (b. 1980)

Yulia Yun, piano



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