Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MAY 25^{TH} , 2014

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

PRELUDE

Choral No. 3 in A minor *César Franck* (1822-1890) Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

INTROIT

Hio! I'm bound away,

'Cross the wide Missouri.

CHALICE LIGHTING

*Hymn 121

We'll Build a Land **Chorus** Come build a land where siblings in spirit,

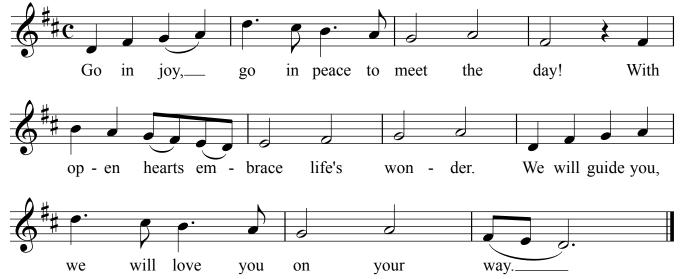
Anointed by God may then create peace: Where justice will roll down like waters, and peace like an ever flowing stream.

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."

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benedictiontext: Barbara Pescan music: Bart Bradfield



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

Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;
Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.

Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión. Sopla al volar, sube en la mar; Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida Arráigame, libérame, Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.

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.

*Hymn 186

Grieve Not Your Heart

SERMON Rev. Catie Scudera

A Time to Refrain from Embracing

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

Bright is the Ring of Words Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) Zachary Ballard, baritone

Bright is the Ring of Words Bright is the ring of words When the right man rings them, Fair the fall of songs When the singer sings them, Still they are caroled and said -On wings they are carried -After the singer is dead And the maker buried.

Low as the singer lies In the field of heather, Songs of his fashion bring The swains together. And when the west is red With the sunset embers, The lover lingers and sings And the maid remembers.

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

Intermezzo Op. 117 No. 2 Johannes Brahms (1833-1897) Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Hymn 86

Blessed Spirit of My Life

***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

Concerto in A minor, BWV 593 I. Allegro ... J. S. Bach (1685-1750) (an arrangement of *Concerto for Two Violins, RV* 522)

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

Rev. Kim is in New York this morning, performing the wedding of David Janero and Jeffrey Thomson! Mark David Buckels, Laura Evonne Steinman, and the choir are off today. Everyone will be back next Sunday! Today, we thank Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan and Zachary Ballard for their beautiful music!

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, everyone will be together in the Perkins Room for a music sing along with Grady, and Sarah and Maya Cooleybeck. Laura Evonne Steinman is off today, and she will be back next Sunday.

For information about CRE, please see Sarah Cooleybeck or anyone in the Perkins Room.

Notes for Next Sunday, June 1st

- Next Sunday's service will include a special Bridging Ceremony for children and youth graduating or moving to a new school.
 Please contact Laura Evonne if your child is bridging and would like to participate.
- At 12:30, is the Annual Corporation meeting. If you would like childcare, please contact Laura Evonne, so that she will know how many teens to hire.

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 Louis D. Brown Peace Institute.

Louis D. Brown Peace Institute is staffed almost entirely by survivors of violence. It supports other survivors while sponsoring anti-violence services and workshops in local schools. The Institute also organizes the annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace.

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

Any usher will be happy to help!

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Patrick Cooleybeck* Candles Chaplain, *Arthur Judge* Lead Greeter, *Nancy Perna* Lead Usher, *Dave Erbe* Worship Coordinator, *Desmond Ravenstone* Assistant Treasurers, *Nancy George and Dave Erbe*