# Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, MAY 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candles Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candles Cards are collected until the end of greetings.

#### PRELUDE

What I Did For Love Marvin Hamlisch (1944 - 2012)
and <i>Edward Kleban</i> (1939 - 1987)
Blackbird
John Lennon (1940 - 1980) and Paul McCartney (b. 1942)
Ashokan Farewell Jay Ungar (b. 1946)
Daniel Padgett, piano

### WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

#### INTROIT

Allerseelen ...... text: Hermann von Gilm (1812 - 1864) music: Richard Strauss (1864 - 1949)

Katie Elledge, soprano; Daniel Padgett, piano

Stell auf den Tisch die duftenden Reseden, Die letzten roten Astern trag herbei, Und laß uns wieder von der Liebe reden, Wie einst im Mai. Gib mir die Hand, daß ich sie heimlich drücke Und wenn man's sieht, mir ist es einerlei, Gib mir nur einen deiner süßen Blicke. Wie einst im Mai. Es blüht und duftet heut auf jedem Grabe, Ein Tag im Jahre ist ja den

Toten frei,

Place on the table the fragrant mignonettes, Bring in the last red asters, and let us talk of love again, as once we did in May.

Give me your hand, so that I may secretly press it; and if someone sees, it's all one to me.
Just give me one of your sweet glances, as once you did in May.
Flowers bloom and spread their fragrance today on every grave; one day in the year is sacred for the dead.

Come close to my heart, so that I can have you again, as once I did in May.

Komm an mein Herz, daß ich dich wieder habe, Wie einst im Mai.

### GREETINGS

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

#### \*Hymn 1010

We Give Thanks

1. Oh, we give thanks for this precious day, For all gather'd here, and those far away; For this time we share with love and care, Oh, we give thanks for this precious day.

2. Oh, we give thanks for this precious day, For all gather'd here, and those far away; For this food we share with love and care, Oh, we give thanks for this precious day.

# **COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY**

Sanctuary ...... John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953) adaptation: Crawford Harvie/Buckles arrangement: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

> 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	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.	Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

## \*Hymn 101

Abide with Me

1 Abide with me, fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; still with me abide. When other helpers fail, and comforts flee, help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see: O thou who changes not, abide with me.

3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless; ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still if thou abide with me.

## SERMON

Good Goodbyes ...... Rev. Beth Robbins

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

### CANTICLE

In My Life ...... John Lennon & Paul McCartney Katie Elledge, soprano; Daniel Padgett, piano

# **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 289 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

Sicilienne ...... Maria Theresia von Paradis (1759 - 1824) Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

# PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### \*Hymn

Here Together ...... David Glasgow

We are here, here together, in this holy moment, and we're grateful for the winding road that brought us to this place.

Repeat

We have spent time together, and these holy moments give us strength to go down the winding road until we meet again.

Repeat

And my prayer for you is a peace that's true until we meet again.

## **\*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice**

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

Where you go I will go, belovedWhere you go I will goWhere you go I will go, belovedWhere you go I will go'Cause your people are my peopleYour people are mine

Your people are my people Your divine, my divine

### Postlude

Trumpet Tune from Suite in D Major ...... Charles Callahan (b. 1951) Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

# Today in Family Ministry

For today's intergenerational worship, children and youth are invited to sit with their families or join Erica in the balcony to enjoy the service with sermon bingo, coloring, and some of our favorite stuffed animal friends. Kids will head up to the balcony as we sing *Abide with Me* and return during our closing hymn, *Here Together*.

Allie and Lena are available in the nursery to care for babies and small children. To find 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.

# May Share the Plate: The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute

Louis D. Brown was a 15-year-old 10th grader who grew up in Roxbury with very big dreams: college, graduate school, a doctoral degree in aerodynamic engineering. Ultimately, Louis wanted to be the first African-American and youngest-ever President of the United States.

Louis said, "I want young people I went to school with and from my community to be active in my government. However, if things don't change, I'll be alone in the White House, because by the time I become president, my peers will all be dead, addicted to drugs, or in jail." Setting out to improve his community and to be a role model to his peers, he joined Teens Against Gang Violence.

That fall, on his way to a Teens Against Gang Violence meeting, Louis was killed in the crossfire of a gang shootout.

That was 1993. The next year, his extraordinary mother, Tina Chéry, honored her son's dream by founding The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. Dedicated to education in peacemaking and nonviolence, the institute also assists survivors of homicide victims. For more information, please visit ldbpeaceinstitute.org. *Thank you for your generous support!* 

## Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Lucy Humphrey* Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge* Lead Greeter, *Queen Cheryl* Lead Usher, *Deb Vittner* Worship Coordinator, *Darrell Waters* Assistant Treasurers, *Nancy George & Paul Babbitt*