Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

https://zoom.us/j/8958866876 (video)

or (929) 436-2866 (phone) [Meeting ID is 895 886 6876] SUNDAY, MAY 28TH, 2023

PRELUDE

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

Introit

The Sound of Music text: Oscar Hammerstein II (1895 – 1960) from The Sound of Music music: Richard Rodgers (1902 – 1979)

Eve Lauria, soprano Hyunju Jung, piano

The hills are alive with the sound of music With songs they have sung for a thousand years The hills fill my heart with the sound of music My heart wants to sing every song it hears

My heart wants to beat like the wings of the birds that rise from the lake to the trees

My heart wants to sigh like a chime that flies from a church on a breeze To laugh like a brook when it trips and falls over stones on its way To sing through the night like a lark who is learning to pray

I go to the hills when my heart is lonely
I know I will hear what I've heard before
My heart will be blessed with the sound of music
And I'll sing once more

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND GREETINGS

Darrell Waters, Worship Coordinator

*Hymn 38

Morning Has Broken text: Eleanor Farjeon (1881 – 1965) music: Gaelic Melody

Morning has broken like the first morning Blackbird has spoken like the first bird Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the word! Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven Like the first dewfall on the first grass Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden Sprung in completeness where G*d's feet pass

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning Born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning G*d's recreation of the new 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

To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service, please submit it in advance <u>here</u>. During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom 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 12

O Life That Maketh All Things New text: Samuel Longfellow (1819 – 1892) music: Traditional English Melody arrangement: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

O Life that maketh all things new, The blooming earth, our thoughts within, Our pilgrim feet, wet with thy dew, In gladness hither turn again.

From hand to hand the greeting flows, From eye to eye the signals run, From heart to heart the bright hope glows, The seekers of the light are one:

One in the freedom of the truth, One in the joy of paths untrod, One in the soul's perennial youth, One in the larger thought of G*d; The freer step, the fuller breath, The wide horizon's grander view, The sense of life that knows no death, The Life that maketh all things new,

The Life that maketh all things new.

SERMON

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SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

The Rainbow Connection Paul Williams (b. 1940) & Kenneth Ascher (b. 1944)

Eve Lauria, soprano Hyunju Jung, piano

Why are there so many Songs about rainbows And what's on the other side Rainbows are visions But only illusions

And rainbows have nothing to hide So we've been told and some choose to believe it But I know they're wrong, wait and see

Someday we'll find it

The Rainbow Connection

The lovers, the dreamers, and me

Who said that every wish
Would be heard and answered
When wished on the morning star
Somebody thought of that
And someone believed it
Look what it's done so far
What's so amazing
That keeps us stargazing
And what do we think we might see
Someday we'll find it
That Rainbow Connection
The lovers, the dreamers, and me

All of us under its spell We know that it's probably magic

Have you been half asleep And have you heard voices I've heard them calling my name Is this the sweet sound that calls the young sailors

The voice might be one and the same

I've heard it too many times to ignore it

It's something that I'm supposed to be

It's something that I'm supposed to be

Someday we'll find it

The Rainbow Connection

The lovers, the dreamers, and me

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Friends, these are extraordinary times that call for extraordinary generosity. Since 1729, the support of our community has allowed Arlington Street to thrive as a beacon of love, service, justice, and peace. This congregation is entirely self-supporting. In addition, we share each Sunday's collection with a partner in our vital mission. It's up to us to finance the beloved spiritual community we want to create! Today, we invite you to be part of Arlington Street's story of devotion, innovation, and transformational generosity. Please consider making a special gift to this morning's offering.

WAYS TO GIVE



- 1. Scan the QR code
 - 2. Visit tinyurl.com/GiveASC
 - 3. Search @ArlingtonStreet on Venmo (Charities)
 - 4. Text the word "GIVE" to (617) 300-0509
 - 5. Mail a check to Arlington Street Church 351 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116

If you're ready to give regularly, you can set up automatic payments at tinyurl.com/GiveASC or by contacting Liz Teixeira at Treasurer@ASCBoston.org. Rev. Kim, Rev. Beth, and many of our most devoted members and friends pledge 5-10% of their income each year. In addition, we encourage you to provide now for a future gift to Arlington Street by remembering the church in your will. Thank you for helping to ensure a robust future for our beloved spiritual community!

Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

MAY SHARE THE PLATE: THE LOUIS D. BROWN PEACE INSTITUTE MOTHERS DAY WALK FOR PEACE

In 1993, Louis D. Brown was a 15-year-old 10th grader growing 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.

In 1994, 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 people and communities impacted by homicide.

The Mother's Day Walk for Peace is a beloved, 27-year-long Boston tradition and an important fundraiser for LDBPI. The theme this year is Cultivating Cycles of Peace. For more information, please visit ldbpeaceinstitute.org.

To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit www.tinyurl.com/GiveASC; or text the amount you want to give and the word SHARE (ex. \$50 SHARE) to (617) 300-0509. Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY

Hyunju Jung, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 1064

Blue Boat Home text: *Peter Mayer* (b. 1963) music: *Roland Hugh Prichard* (1811 – 887), adapted arrangement: *Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Though below me, I feel no motion Standing on these mountains and plains. Far away from the rolling ocean Still my dry land heart can say: I've been sailing all my life now, Never harbor or port have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel And the earth is my blue boat home.

Sun my sail and moon my rudder
As I ply the starry sea,
Leaning over the edge in wonder,
Casting questions into the deep.
Drifting here with my ship's companions,
All we kindred pilgrim souls,
Making our way by the lights of the heavens
In our beautiful blue boat home.

I give thanks to the waves upholding me, Hail the great winds urging me on, Greet the infinite sea before me, Sing the sky my sailor's song:
I was born up on the fathoms,
Never harbor or port have I known.
The wide universe is the ocean I travel,
And the earth is my blue boat home.

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

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

Hyunju Jung, piano



Out of respect for Arlington Street Church members and friends who are Jewish, we follow the tradition of not spelling out G*d's name.

Flowers on the High Pulpit

Would you like to make a gift of flowers for the entire congregation to enjoy on a Sunday morning? You can make your dedication in memory, in honor, or in celebration of someone or something you love.

You can have flowers delivered or bring your own (a minimum of two dozen flowers is perfect for our huge space).

Please email our congregational administrator,

Jess (JAcosta@ASCBoston.org), to claim your date! Thank you!

Staff Directory

Parish Ministers

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie (she/her), Senior Minister

Rev. Beth Robbins (she/her), Executive Minister

Rev. George G. Whitehouse (he/him), Minister at Large

Community Ministers

Rev. John Gibbons (he/him) Minister for Good Trouble

Rev. Dr. Kelly Murphy Mason (she/her)

 ${\it Minister for Spiritual Direction}$

Rev. Fred Small (he/him)

Minister for Climate Justice

Rev. Ali Jablonsky (she/her) Chaplain, Tufts Medical Center

Dr. Arthur Judge (he/him) Hospital Chaplain, retired

Rev. Erica Rose Long (she/her)

Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital

Rev. Joanna Lubkin (she/her)

Interim Minister, Theodore Parker Church

Rev. Vera O'Brien (she/her) Chaplain, HopeHealth Hospice

Music

Mark David Buckles (he/him), Director of Music

Hyunju Jung (she/her), Collaborative Pianist

Rodger Clinton Vine (he/him), Artist in Residence

Choir Section Leaders

Hannah Shanefield(she/her), Soprano

Bek Zehr (they/them), Mezzo Soprano

Samuel LaGrego (he/him), Tenor

Andrew Stack (he/him), Baritone

Administration

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