



**ARLINGTON
STREET CHURCH**
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, JUNE 16TH, 2019

Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

Three Novelettes *Francis Poulenc* (1899 - 1963)

Kelly Lenahan, piano

WELCOME

CHALICE LIGHTING

Morning Poem *Mary Oliver* (1935 - 2019)

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS

***HYMN 20**

Be Thou My Vision

1 Be thou my vision, O God of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me God; thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tower, raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

3 Riches I heed not, nor world's empty praise, thou my inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, first in my heart, Sov'reign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

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."

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson* and *Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)

text adapted: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*

music arranged: *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
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 348

Guide My Feet

1 Guide my feet while I run this race. Guide my feet while I run this race. Guide my feet while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

2 Hold my hand while I run this race. Hold my hand while I run this race. Hold my hand while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

3 Stand by me while I run this race. Stand by me while I run this race. Stand by me while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

SERMON

Embrace Change! John Markham O'Connor

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

Metamorphosis One *Philip Glass* (b. 1937)
John Markham O'Connor, piano

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 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

Rêverie *Claude Debussy* (1862 - 1918)
Kelly Lenahan, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***HYMN 354**

We Laugh, We Cry

1 We laugh, we cry, we live, we die; we dance, we sing our song. We need to feel there's something here to which we can belong. We need to feel the freedom just to have some time alone. But most of all we need close friends we can call our very own. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love; and we have found a need to be together. We have our hearts to give, we have our thoughts to receive; and we believe that sharing is an answer.

2 A child is born among us and we feel a special glow. We see time's endless journey as we watch the baby grow. We thrill to hear imagination freely running wild. We dedicate our minds and heart to the spirit of this child. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love; and we have found a time to be together. And with the grace of age, we share the wonder of youth, and we believe that growing is an answer.

3 Our lives are full of wonder and our time is very brief. The death of one among us fills us all with pain and grief. But as we live, so shall we die, and when our lives are done the memories we shared with friends, they will linger on and on. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love; and we have found a place to be together. We have the right to grow, we have the gift to believe that peace within our living is an answer.

4 We seek elusive answers to the questions of this life. We seek to put an end to all the waste of human strife. We search for truth, equality, and blessed peace of mind. And then, we come together here, to make sense of what we find. And we believe in life, and in the strength of love, and we have found a joy being together. And in our search for peace, maybe we'll finally see: even to question, truly is an answer.

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

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

Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

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

Sonata in B-flat Major, K.16 *Domenico Scarlatti* (1685 - 1757)
Kelly Lenahan, piano



COFFEE HOUR

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, light lunch, and community!



HEALING THE ENVIRONMENT

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Carol Smith Room

Our planet needs our help right through the summer! It seems that almost each day we get news about more ways the environment is in trouble, but also about ways that energized people are taking action to try to save the planet. Let's gather to talk about this after the service. The Earth needs each of us to address this problem. Please bring your interest and ideas and be part of the solution!



UNCOMFORTABLE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RACE

Today ~ 12:45-2:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice offers this time and space for facilitated discussion and continuing conversation about developing an antiracist worldview. We hold these conversations periodically at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and no RSVP is needed. For more information, email transformation@ascboston.org.



KUNDALINI YOGA CLASS

Every Wednesday ~ 6:00 PM, Perkins Room

Experience fun exercises and poses, breathing techniques, chanting, meditation, and deep relaxation in this unique class. Moving energy through your body brings positive change and growth. There is a \$10 charge that goes to the church. First class is free!



BETHEL TABERNACLE COMMUNITY CARNIVAL

Saturday, June 29th ~ 11:00-4:00 PM, 77 Harvard Street, Dorchester

Arlington Street Church partners with the Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church to serve their Dorchester neighborhood. Bethel has requested our help with their annual carnival. Bethel would be happy with any donation of your time to help with games, face painting, setup, or cleanup. If you're interested, please talk to Queen Cheryl or Laura Pattison or leave your name and number at the Social Action table. *All are welcome!*



THE FESTIVAL OF THE CHARIOTS

SRI JAGANNATHA RATHA YATR

Sunday, June 30th ~ 11:30 AM, Procession starts at I Cambria St., Boston

Festival, 2:00 - 6:00 PM, Boston Common

Please join an enlivening procession with ecstatic music and chanting — a beautiful scene of devotees dancing their way to a celebration! The Boston Common will have stage performances, drama, food, exhibits, spiritual literature, a meditation tent, and more!

Special guests include HH Niranjana Swami, HH Chandreshekhar Swami, Madhavananda Prabhu and Krishnakunda Mataji, DASI group, Kishori Yatra Bus from Alachua, and Ramaroy Prabhu along with 15 bramhacaris from New York City's Harinaam Ashram. Visit iskconboston.org for more information. *All are welcome!*



SUMMER READING

Buddha's Belly: Arlington Street's Buddhist book group is reading Pema Chödrön's *The Places That Scare You: A Guide to Fearlessness in Difficult Times*. All are welcome to join in the discussion on Tuesday, September 10th at 6:00 pm.

Intersectional Book Group: Join Rev. Kim for the thirteenth in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. Our next book is Michelle Alexander's *The New Jim Crow*. We'll meet to discuss it on Monday, September 9th at 5:30 pm.



ASC YOUNG ADULTS (ASCYA)

We're starting a Young Adult Group here at Arlington Street! Are you 18-35 years old? Find us on Facebook at ASC Young Adults, or contact Rebecca Reid through the church office (Office@ASCBoston.org). *Join us!*



TIFFANY CENTER IS OPEN: JOIN OUR TEAM!

Sundays, 1:00 - 4:00 PM & Monday - Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (closed Tuesdays), Sanctuary

Are you looking for an interesting way to get more involved here? Are you curious about the history of the building and the BEAUTIFUL windows? Would you like to meet people from around the world? We need greeters and tour guides every day except Tuesday. It's low-commitment, flexible scheduling, and less than three hours per shift. No experience necessary; all training will be provided! Please speak with Alissa Butler or email her at asctiffany@gmail.com. *Thank you!*



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SHARE OUR SPACE!

If you're part of another organization or business that's looking for meeting space, a gathering place, or the use of a commercial kitchen, we'd love to welcome them to Arlington Street Church! Please be in touch with Rev. Kim at office@ASCBoston.org.

June Share the Plate: Into the Woods

Into the Woods is a program that takes high school teenagers and their parents out of the city ... and ... into the woods! Co-facilitated by our own Rev. George G. Whitehouse and Healthy Boston's Jamiese V. Martin, Into the Woods is funded in part by the United States Department of Agriculture and their subsidiary, the Department of Forestry, and doubles as a recruiting tool to identify new personnel for the National Forests. Orvis has joined the project and supplied fishing poles and fishing lessons on the most recent trip (to Vermont)! The next trip will be in late summer. For more information, please speak with Rev. George or write to him at office@ASCBoston.org. *Thank you for your generous support!*