

# SUNDAY, JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2017 Welcome to Summer Services

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

#### **PRELUDE**

#### WELCOME AND GREETINGS

#### CHALICE LIGHTING ...... Sara Eileen LaWall

Out of the flames of fear We rise with courage of our deepest convictions to stand for justice, inclusion and peace

Out of the flames of scrutiny We rise to proclaim our faith With hope to heal a fractured and hurting world

Out of the flames of doubt We rise to embrace the mystery, wonder and awe of all there is and all that is yet to be

Out of the flames of hate
We rise with the force of love
Love that celebrates our shared humanity

Out of the flames we rise.

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

#### \*HYMN 126

Come, Thou Font

# 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 298

Wake Now My Senses

#### **SERMON**

One Brief, Shining Moment ...... John O'Connor

#### SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

Aria from *Bach's Goldberg Variations* John 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**

Andrew Altenbach, piano

#### PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

#### \*Hymn 348

Guide My Feet

\*BENEDICTION ..... James Morison

Within each of our hearts there is a most glorious light. Go forth, and let its spark help you understand what troubles both

you and others; Go forth, and let its light of reason be a guide in your decisions;

Go forth, and bring its ray of hope to those in need of help in both body and spirit, that they may find healing;

Go forth, and fan the flames of passion to help heal our world;

Go forth, and spread the warm glow of love, pushing back the darkness of the world;

Go forth, and share your glorious light with the world.

#### **EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

#### \*Recessional (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here ...... text: Linnea Good music: Tom Witt, arranged: Mark David Buckles

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,

Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

#### **POSTLUDE**

Le lever ...... Charles Gounod (1818 - 1893) Andrew Altenbach, piano



# News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2017

#### All Are Welcome

#### We are glad you have joined us this morning for worship!

This morning, we invite you to:

- \* Fill in the Welcome Card and place it in the collection plate;
- \* Join us for coffee and a light lunch in the Parish Hall;
- \* Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
- \* Please come back again soon!

# Today's Speaker

John O'Connor has been a member of Arlington Street Church since 1990. John serves as the chair of the Worship Committee and as a member of the Intern Minister Committee. John is an avid reader and when time permits he noodles around a bit on the piano. A trial attorney by profession, John has for the past 21 years worked as residential real estate broker in the greater Boston area.

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# SPEAKING ON SUNDAY, JULY 30<sup>th</sup>

Giving Life the Shape of Justice by Preach-On Finalists

Mark your calendars for a special service by Summer Seminary students on July 30th! High school aged youth from across the country are convening in Boston to discern their call to ministry in all its forms. We welcome them to our congregation and join them in exploring the theme *Giving Life the Shape of Justice*. At Summer Seminary, students will learn with local religious professionals at Harvard Divinity School, Arlington Street Church and the Unitarian Universalist Association's Headquarters.

**Summer Seminary** is a program for Unitarian Universalist youth to explore their interests in becoming religious professionals. Youth from around the country will spend a week in Boston learning from ministerial and lay leaders. Arlington Street Church is excited to host Summer Seminary for their "Preach On" on Saturday evening, July 29th and for Sunday worship on July 30th.

### **SUMMER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS**

# SUMMERTIME AT ARLINGTON STREET

The program staff and the Arlington Street Choir are away for the summer, but will be back for worship on September 10th. Today and every Sunday through Labor Day, we are grateful to our musicians, our preacher, the volunteer team, and Jaimie Dingus, our Summer Student Minister, for this beautiful worship service!

Next to the Hunnewell Chapel, there is a nursery for restless babies and their caregivers. This space offers a rocking chair, changing table with supplies, and a live audio feed of the service.

Should you need a minister over the summer, please call the church office at 617-536-7050. The admin staff is always here for you; Jeffrey, and Brad are glad to help! Happy summer, one and all!

During summer the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar." Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, keeps it current.

# COFFEE HOUR

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

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

# WE NEED YOUR SMILING FACE!

The Arlington Street Church Visitor Center is now open for our second season of tours! Please consider joining in this effort by volunteering to serve as a Visitor Center greeter. The job is easy and fun – you will meet people from across the globe and join in their delight as they discover our dazzling church home for the first time. Sign up for a weekday or a Saturday shift or start as an ad-hoc volunteer – all levels of commitment are welcome! Learn more by contacting Rodger Vine at rvine@ascboston.org. Thank you for helping us extend Arlington Street's prophetic welcome from Sunday morning to seven days a week!



#### **SUMMER MEDITATION**

Tuesdays, July 25th, & August 8th & 22nd ~ 6:45 PM

While the Arlington Street Zen Center is on summer recess, Martha Weiss has generously offered her office for Buddhist meditation on the second and fourth summer Tuesdays. Martha's office is located on Marlborough Street, a short distance from ASC. If you are interested, please contact her through Jeffrey Bouchard in the church office at office@ASCBoson.org. All are welcome!



### KUNDALINI YOGA CLASS

Every Wednesday ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

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!

## BUDDHA'S BELLY SUMMER READ

Everyone is invited to join the members of Buddha's Belly, Arlington Street's Buddhist book group, in reading Sharon Salzberg's *Real Love: The Art of Mindful Connection.* Sharon is a beloved teacher and the co-founder of Insight Meditation Society in Barre, Massachusetts. *Real Love* is a creative tool kit of mindfulness exercises and meditation techniques to help deepen our capacity to love and be loved. From 6:00-7:00 on Tuesday evening, September 12th, we'll gather in the Hunnewell Chapel to discuss *Real Love.* All are welcome!

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## **INTERSECTIONAL BOOK DISCUSSION**

Monday, September 18th ~ 6:00 - 7:30 PM, Frothingham Library

Join Rev. Kim for the third in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. For this gathering, we'll be reading *Beyond Ramps: Disability at the End of the Social Contract* by Marta Russell. All are welcome!

### **CAR DONATIONS MADE EASY!**

Start your summer off on the right track by donating a vehicle. If you are finally splurging on that new vehicle, donate your trade-in to Arlington Street. Just click the link below or call 855-500-RIDE (7433).www.cardonatingiseasy. org/donate/?CharityID=4038

#### **Share the Plate**

Each Sunday between September and June, we shared the offering plate with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. This year's Share the Plate recipients include:

Beyond the 11th, which supports widows of terrorism in Afghanistan.

Into the Woods, a weekend of camping in Vermont for kids from Dorchester and Roxbury.

**PetPals,** cat and dog volunteers who, along with their human companions, visit elderly residents in long-term care facilities.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, to support their work to stop the Dakota Access Pipeline.

**The Haitian Coalition,** to support Hurricane Matthew Relief Drive for People in Haiti.

Friday Night Supper Program, feeding our neighbors who are hungry and homeless.

Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church in Dorchester, for their holiday outreach.

**Stop Hunger Now/Rise Against Hunger** to package 20,000 meals **Renewal House,** providing shelter and services for people escaping domestic violence.

Only a Child, a home, carpentry shop, and venue for education for street kids in Guatemala.

Boston Marathon Charity Runners for Team Hoyt and Team Leyden, supporting The Hoyt Foundation and Boston Children's Hospital.

Louis D. Brown Peace Institute, the anti-gang violence organization in Boston. Camperships to help get kids and youth off the city streets and into the word at camps sponsored by Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries (Fresh Air Camps), Into the Woods (Arlington Street Church), and Lend a Hand Society, and

The Katie Tyson Fund for Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Thank you for your Generosity!