

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2019 Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

Bring your broken hallelujah here. - Rev. Theresa I. Soto

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS

*Hymn 188

Come, Come Whoever You Are

Come, come, whoever you are, wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving. Ours is no caravan of despair. Come, yet again come.

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

- 1 Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call; feel the deep power of being in all; keep, with the web of creation your vow, giving, receiving as love shows us how.
- 2 Wake, now, my reason, reach out to the new; join with each pilgrim who quests for the true; honor the beauty and wisdom of time; suffer thy limit, and praise the sublime.
- 3 Wake, now, compassion, give heed to the cry; voices of suffering fill the wide sky; take as your neighbor both stranger and friend, praying and striving their hardship to end.
- 4 Wake, now, my conscience, with justice thy guide; join with all people whose rights are denied; take not for granted a privileged place; God's love embraces the whole human race.
- 5. Wake, now, my vision of ministry clear; brighten my pathway with radiance here; mingle my calling with all who will share; work toward a planet transformed by our care.

SERMON

Something Stronger ~ Something Better Art Nava

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

LaQuandra Seymore, vocals

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 unpledged offering **Date** 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

Melody from the Opera "Orfeo"

Christoph Willibald von Gluck (1714 - 1787)

Piano transcription: Giovanni Sgambati (1841 - 1914)

Yulia Yun, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Hymn 118

This Little Light of Mine

1 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3 Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*Recessional (sung twice; please join in!)

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

Etude, Op. 10, No. 7 in C Major Frédéric Chopin (1810 - 1849) Yulia Yun, piano



News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2019

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

Art Nava has attended Arlington Street since 2004. He currently serves as a peer facilitator in the New England Region and the Religious Educators Credentialing Committee of the UUA. He enjoys non-profit board work and currently serves as the board chair of Gay For Good and as Friday Night Supper Program's treasurer. He was born and raised in El Paso, where he had the joy of living and learning in a truly bicultural, binational community. He now lives in Lowell with his husband Rich Abreu and their dog Spenser.



HOMECOMING SUNDAY

Sunday, September 8th ~ II:00 am, Sanctuary

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie; our Music Director, Mark David Buckles; and the choir; will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 8th. Please bring a little water from a place that is special to you for our water communion celebration!

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, light lunch, and community!



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!

INTE

INTERSECTIONAL BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, September 9th ~ 5:30 PM, Frothingham Library

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. All are welcome!



BUDDHA'S BELLY SUMMER READ

Tuesday, September 10th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Everyone is invited to join the members of Buddha's Belly, Arlington Street's Buddhist book group, in reading Pema Chödrön's *The Places That Scare You: A Guide to Fearlessness in Difficult Times.* All are welcome!

CARE CARDS TABLE

The Care Cards table will be set up again on a weekly basis on Sunday, September 8th. We would love to invite new volunteers to join us in the fall. Can you spare an hour once a month? The Care Cards group is seeking volunteers to help with setting up and hosting the Care Cards table in the Parish Hall during the after service lunch. Volunteers collect the candles of shorrow and joy from the worship team, prepare cards to be signed, host the table during lunch, and deliver the signed cards to the office for mailing. If you have a busy life and live a long commute from ASC, this is a perfect way to be of service to the community! Please email Office@ascboston.org to be put in touch with the Care Cards team.

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!*



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!*



WELCOME TO AMAZONSMILE!

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If you're shopping on Amazon, always start at **smile.amazon.com**, type in Arlington Street Church, and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases! *Thank you!*

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.

Share the Plate

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Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Jenna Crawford
Worship Coordinator, Darrell Waters
Candles Coordinator, Art Judge
Hymn Leader, Reese Millican
Lead Greeter, Tom Anderson
Lead Ushers, Bill Briggs & Keith Perron
Assistant Treasurer, Bruce Dallaire

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