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



D 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

Auf dem Wasser zu Singen music: Franz Schubert (1797 - 1828) (To Sing on the Water)

text: Friedrich Leopold Graf zu Stolberg-Stolberg (1750 - 1819) Katie Elledge, soprano

Mitten im Schimmer der spiegelnden Wellen Gleitet, wie Schwäne, der wankende Kahn; Ach, auf der Freude sanftschimmernden Glides the soul away like the boat. Wellen Gleitet die Seele dahin wie der Kahn; Denn von dem Himmel herab auf die Wellen Tanzet das Abendrot rund um den Kahn.

In the midst of the shimmering, mirroring waves Glides like swans the rocking boat Ah, on softly shimmering waves of joy For from the heavens down on the waves Dances the evening glow round about the boat.

Über den Wipfeln des westlichen Haines Above the treetops of the western glade Winket uns freundlich der rötliche Schein; Unter den Zweigen des östlichen Haines Säuselt der Kalmus im rötlichen Schein; Freude des Himmels und Ruhe des Haines Atmet die Seel' im errötenden Schein.

Ach, es entschwindet mit tauigem Flügel Ah, with dewy wings Morgen entschwinde mit schimmernden Flügeln

Wieder wie gestern und heute die Zeit, Bis ich auf höheren, strahlenden Flügel Selber entschwinde der wechselnden Zeit. Until I on towering, radiant wings

Under the branches of the eastern glade Rustle the reeds in the ruddy glow. Joy of the heavens and peace of the glades Breathes the soul in the reddening glow.

Beckons to us amiably the ruddy glow;

Mir auf den wiegenden Wellen die Zeit. On the rocking waves, time escapes from me Tomorrow with shimmering wings

Like yesterday and today may time again escape from me,

Myself escape from changing time.

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Нуми

Life Calls Us On text: Rev. Kendyl Gibbons (b. 1955) music: Rev. Jason Shelton (b. 1972)

See insert for lyrics

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

From "This is The Year" David Roth

***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, walk humbly in God's care.

Postlude

St. François de Paule marchant sur les flots ... Franz Liszt (1811 - 1886) (St. Francis of Paula walking on the waves) Xuan He, piano

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Welcome back! Our children are staying with us in the sanctuary today for this intergenerational service. Children are welcome to sit with their families or join Erica and Beth in the box pews at the front right of the sanctuary. Be sure to pick up the sermon word search from Erica.

If you have arrived with a baby or small child, there is a nursery/ playroom with the service piped in for your listening pleasure. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery will be on your left before the stairs.

After the service, let's get lunch at the Sandwich Board and eat together in the Perkins Room.

Share the Plate: Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund

Using their eye-to-eye partnership model, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) will work with and support local grassroots community partners on the ground in Texas serving at-risk populations who may not be able to access relief services and who are traditionally left out of mainstream response efforts. UUSC and their partners will work to bolster locally-led relief efforts serving immigrant families. As the storm passes and recovery begins, UUSC will continue to get updates and work with partners to ensure their needs are met. Thank you for your generosity!

To volunteer with the UUSC on the ground in Houston, go here: https://www.tfaforms.com/4623138

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, Kate Birney Candles Chaplain, Art Judge Lead Greeter, David Scanlon Lead Usher, Mike Cournoyer Worship Coordinators, Rev. George G. Whitehouse and Beth Robbins Assistant Treasurers, Alma Antoniotti and Gail Jennes





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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th, 2017 **INGATHERING AND** WATER COMMUNION SUNDAY!

O Unitarian Universalist O PRINCIPLES

The inherent WORTH and DIGNITY of every being

JUSTICE, EQUITY, and COMPASSION in all relations

ACCEPTANCE of one another and encouragment of SPIRITUAL GROWTH

A free and responsible search for TRUTH and MEANING

5. The right of CONSCIENCE and the use of the DEMOCRATIC process

6. The goal of world community with PEACE, LIBERTY, and JUSTICE for all

RESPECT for the INTERDEPENDENT WEB of which we are a part

Building **BELOVED COMMUNITY** by dismantling racism and oppression within ourselves and our world

> Arlington Street Church Boston, Massachusetts Founded in 1729 Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2017

If you have brought water today, please write down - in large, clear printing - where you gathered your water. Pens and cards are available from the ushers at the Great Doors. Please hold onto your container of water until it's time for the water communion.

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 end of greetings.

Prelude

Prélude, OL 46 Louis Couperin (c. 1626 - 1661) An Wasserflüssen Babylon (By the waters of Babylon) Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Xuan He, organ

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 361

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

arranged: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*HYMN 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

WATER COMMUNION Beth Robbins

Reflets dans l'eau Claude Debussy (1862 - 1918) (Reflections in the Water) Xuan He, piano

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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	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.	Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*Hymn

Swimming to the Other Side	
text and music: Pat Humphries (b. 1960))
choral arrangement: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980))
Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals	
Julie Metcalf, fiddle and vocals	
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Chorus

We are living 'neath the great Big Dipper We are washed by the very same rain We are swimming in the stream together Some in power and some in pain We can worship this ground we walk on Cherishing the beings that we live beside Loving spirits will live forever We're all swimming to the other side

I am alone and I am searching, Hungering for answers in my time I am balanced at the brink of wisdom I'm impatient to receive a sign I move forward with my senses open Imperfection, it be my crime In humility, I will listen We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

On this journey through thoughts and feelings Binding intuition, my head, my heart I am gathering the tools together. I'm preparing to do my part All of those who have come before me Band together and be my guide Loving lessons that I will follow, We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

When we get there we'll discover All of the gifts we've been given to share Have been with us since life's beginning And we never noticed they were there We can balance at the brink of wisdom Never recognizing that we've arrived Loving spirits will live together We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

SERMON

Take Heart Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Coming Together Jason Robert Brown (b. 1970) Katie Elledge, soprano; Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano Daniel Rosensweig, tenor; Anthony Garza, bass Come to the water, The water will flow. Stand to the night, See the light, let it grow. Hold on for the hard winds are starting to blow. Stand Up! Hold On! And swear you won't let go. Whatever I said doesn't matter. Whatever you said doesn't hurt. Whatever we meant and whatever we did Is lost in the water. Whatever I felt I've forgotten. Whatever I planned I released But come take my hand, Come down to the water, Come down to the water. Where people are coming together And people are falling apart, And no one can hide We're caught in the tide And punched in the heart. People are harder than diamonds And people are stronger than knives. We breathe and we burn, But we'll never return For the rest of our lives, For the rest of our lives. Come down to the water, Come down to the water Where people are coming together And people are falling apart We're branded and blind And we try to rewind To reset and restart People are louder than fire, And people are stronger than knives We'll pick up the slack But we'll never go back For the rest of our lives, For the rest of our lives People are coming together People are coming together People are coming together All across the water! Come to the water, The water will flow. Stand to the night, See the light, let it grow. Hold on for the hard winds are starting to blow. Stand Up! Hold On! And swear you won't let go.

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