Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2019

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

Prelude in G minor, BWV 861 J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750) Moment Musicaux No. 5 in D-flat Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873 - 1943) Andrew Altenbach, piano

INTROIT

Be Like the Bird	text: <i>Victor Hugo</i> (1802 - 1885)
	music: Abbie Betinis (b. 1980)

Hana Omori, soprano

Be like the bird that, Pausing in her flight awhile on boughs too slight, Feels them give way beneath her – and sings – Knowing she hath wings.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*Hymn 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1 Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune our ears to sing thy grace. Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of life's perfection fills our hearts with joy and love, teach us ever to be faithful, may we still thy goodness prove.

2 Come, thou fount of ev'ry vision, lift our eyes to what may come. See the lion and the young lamb dwell together in thy home. Hear the cries of war fall silent, feel our love glow like the sun. When we all serve one another, then our heaven is begun.

3 Come, thou fount of inspiration, turn our lives to higher ways. Lift our gloom and desperation, show the promise of this day. Help us bind ourselves in union, help our hands tell of our love. With thine

aid, O fount of justice, earth be fair as heav'n above.

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

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

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 1015

I Know I Can

1. Though days be dark with storms And burdens weigh my heart; Though troubles wait at ev'ry turn, I know I can go on.

2. When sorrow heals my soul And burdens make me strong, Though troubles wait at ev'ry turn, I know I can go on.

3. My sister in my heart, My brother in my song, Though troubles wait at every turn, I know I can go on.

4. And though the journey is long, The destination is near, Though troubles wait at every turn, I know I can go on.

5. So brothers take my hand, And sisters sing my song, When hope awaits at every turn, I know we will go on.

Sermon

Only You Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

The Peace of Wild Things text: *Wendell Berry* (b. 1934) music: *Malcolm Dalglish* (b. 1952)

When despair for the world grows in me and I wake in the night at the least sound in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds. I come into the peace of wild things who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief. I come into the presence of still water. And I feel above me the day-blind stars waiting with their light. For a time

I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 290 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



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 (all texted gifts support church operations) or scan the QR code. *Thank you for your stewardship and support!*

OFFERTORY

Winston Marshall (b. 1987), and Marcus Mumford (b. 1987) Mark David Buckles, piano & vocals Tevan Goldberg and Daniel Rosensweig, vocals You saw my pain, washed out in the rain Broken glass, saw the blood run from my veins But you saw no fault, no cracks in my heart And you knelt beside my hope torn apart But the ghosts that we knew will flicker from you And we'll live a long life So give me hope in the darkness that I will see the light 'Cause oh they gave me such a fright But I will hold as long as you like Just promise me we'll be alright So lead me back, turn south from that place And close my eyes from my recent disgrace 'Cause you know my call, and we'll share my all And our children come, they will hear me roar So give me hope in the darkness that I will see the light 'Cause oh they gave me such a fright But I will hold as long as you like Just promise me we'll be alright But hold me still, bury my heart on the coals And hold me still, bury my heart next to yours

So give me hope in the darkness that I will see the light 'Cause oh they gave me such a fright But I will hold on with all of my might Just promise me that we'll be alright

The ghosts that we knew made us black and all blue But we'll live a long life

And the ghosts that we knew will flicker from view And we'll live a long life

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Hymn 1021

Lean on Me

1. Sometimes in our lives we all have pain, we all have sorrow. But if we are wise we know that there's always tomorrow.

Chorus: Lean on me when you're not strong and I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on, For it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on. Just call on me brother when you need a hand. We all need somebody to lean on. I just might have a problem that you'd understand. We all need somebody to lean on.

2. Please swallow your pride if I have things you need to borrow, For no one can fill those of your needs that you won't let show.

3. If there is a load you have to bear that you can't carry, I'm right up the road, I'll share your load if you just call me.

***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

Violin Concerto No. 2 in D Major K. 211 W. A. Mozart (1756 - 1791) piano arrangement: Andrew Altenbach

I. Allegro Moderato Andrew Altenbach, piano

