



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

PRELUDE

Love Wins All *Donghwan Seo*

Rise Again *Chaerim Kim*

Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

WELCOME & GREETINGS Rev. Parisa Parsa (she/her), Senior Minister
Hala Hazar (she/her), Worship Coordinator

INTROIT

Smile music: *Charlie Chaplin* (1889–1977)

lyrics: *John Turner* (1902–1982) & *Geoffrey Parsons* (1910–1987)

Hannah Shanefield (she/her), soprano

Smile though your heart is aching
Smile even though it's breaking
When there are clouds in the sky, you'll get by
If you smile through your fear and sorrow
Smile and maybe tomorrow
You'll see the sun come shining through for you

Light up your face with gladness
Hide every trace of sadness
Although a tear may be ever so near
That's the time you must keep on trying
Smile, what's the use of crying?
You'll find that life is still worthwhile
If you just smile

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

OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING

spell for reclaiming the moment *adrienne maree brown* (b. 1978)
Rev. Parisa Parsa

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*HYMN 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing text: *Rev. Robert Robinson* (1735–1790)
& *Rev. Eugene B. Navias* (1928–2014)
music: *John Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music* (1813)

Come, thou fount of every 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

Come, thou fount of every vision
Lift our eyes to what may come
See the lion and the lambkin
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

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 heaven above

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson* (b. 1950) & *Randy Scruggs* (1953–2018)
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

*To have your candle of sorrow or joy read during the service,
please submit it in advance at ASCBoston.org.
During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.*

AFFIRMATION & 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 out truths in love,
And to help one another.

El amor es el espíritu
de nuestra congregación,
Esto servicio es nuestro regalo.
Esta es a lo que nos comprometemos:
Convivir en paz,
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 6

Just as Long as I Have Breath music: *Johann G. Ebeling* (1637–1676)
text: *Alicia S. Carpenter* (1930–2021)

Just as long as I have breath
I must answer, "Yes," to life
Though with pain I made my way
Still with hope I meet each day
If they ask what I did well
Tell them I said, "Yes," to life

Just as long as vision lasts
I must answer, "Yes," to truth
In my dream and in my dark
Always that elusive spark
If they ask what I did well

Tell them I said, "Yes," to truth

Just as long as my heart beats
I must answer, "Yes," to love
Disappointment pierced me through
Still I kept on loving you
If they ask what I did best
Tell them I said, "Yes," to love

READING

The Places that Scare You: A Guide to Fearlessness in Difficult Times (excerpt)
Pema Chödrön (b. 1936)

SERMON

A Joyful MindRev. Parisa Parsa

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Joy text: *Langston Hughes* (1901–1967)
music: *Ricky Ian Gordon* (b. 1956)

Hannah Shanefield (she/her), soprano

I went to look for Joy,
Slim, dancing Joy,
Gay, laughing Joy,
Bright-eyed Joy—
And I found her
Driving the butcher's cart
In the arms of the butcher boy!
Such company, such company,
As keeps this young nymph, Joy!

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

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Beit el Baraka’s mission is to ensure dignity to hard working Lebanese citizens by assisting them in their struggle with the increasing cost of living. In a spirit of respect and support, we give them access to food, decent livelihood, medical services and education. Since Israel’s attacks on Hezbollah, Beit el Baraka has been especially supporting displaced elders in Southern Lebanon. Learn more at <https://beitelbaraka.org>.

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OFFERTORY

Last Carnival *Norihito Tsuru*
Hyunju Jung, piano

PASTORAL PRAYER

***HYMN**

This Joy *Shirley Caesar* (b. 1938)

This joy that I have
The world didn't give it to me
This joy that I have
The world didn't give it to me
This joy that I have
The world didn't give it to me
Oh I said, the world didn't give it
The world can't take it away

This strength that I have...

This love that I have...

This pride that I have...

This peace that I have...

This joy that I have...

The world didn't give it, the world can't take it away
The world didn't give it, the world can't take it away

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

RECESSIONAL

Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
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

Shout for Joy and Sing *David Fellingham* (b. 1945)
Hyunju Jung, piano



October Worship: Miracles

October 27: Ancestors and Angels

Rev. Parisa Parsa with Rev. Beth Robbins

Mystical connections with folks who have passed are a part of nearly every faith tradition. What can we learn from stories of the presence of ancestors as we navigate our lives in the present? We invite you to bring photos or mementos of loved ones who have passed as we celebrate and remember those we have lost.

This Week (and Beyond) ~ You Are Invited!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

12:00 pm ~ Coffee Hour (Chapel & Zoom)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

4:00 pm ~ Poems to Go On (Zoom)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

6:00 pm ~ Buddha’s Belly (Zoom)

7:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Meditation (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

5:00 pm ~ Tea with the Ministers (Zoom)

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga Class (Zoom)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

5:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Writes! (Zoom)

7:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Choir Rehearsal (Arlington Street Church - 2nd Floor)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

7:00 pm ~ Halloween Show - Mark David Buckles (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:00 pm ~ Global Jazz Club (Parish Hall)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

2:00 pm ~ Memorial Service for Doc Kinne (Sanctuary & Zoom)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

2:00 PM ~ New Member Class (Zoom)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

6:00 PM ~ Election Pause Potluck w/Sanctuary Boston (Parish Hall)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

5:00 PM ~ Tea with Ministers (Hybrid)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

6:00 PM ~ Church Potluck (Parish Hall)

For details and Zoom links for these events and more,
please visit ASCBoston.org.

Arlington Street Staff Directory

Parish Ministers

Rev. Parisa Parsa (she/her) • Senior Minister (SeniorMinister@ASCBoston.org)

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Mark David Buckles (he/him) • Director of Music (MBuckles@ASCBoston.org)

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Hannah Shanefield (she/her) • Soprano

Sé (Shea) Brown (they/them) • Alto

Samuel LaGrego (he/him) • Tenor

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Administration

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