



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts  
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SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025

PRELUDE

Improvisation..... Andrew Stack (he/him), piano

WELCOME & CHALICE LIGHTING ..... Rich Abreu (he/him), Guest Preacher

INTROIT

Morning Has Broken..... *Eleanor Farjeon* (1881–1965)  
Andrew Stack, piano & singing

Morning has broken like the first morning,  
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!

GREETINGS ..... Rich Abreu  
Art Nava (he/him), Worship Coordinator

*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.*

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

**\*HYMN #30**

Over My Head..... *African American Spiritual*

Over my head I hear music in the air.  
Over my head I hear music in the air.  
Over my head I hear music in the air.  
There must be a Love somewhere.

Over my head I hear singing in the air...

Over my head I see trouble in the air...

Over my head I feel gladness in the air ...

**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 [tinyurl.com/ASCCandle](https://tinyurl.com/ASCCandle).  
During the service, candles are welcome in the Zoom chat.*

*To reach a member of the Pastoral Care team, please email [Care@ASCBoston.org](mailto:Care@ASCBoston.org).*

**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 our truths in love, and to help one another.

**\*HYMN #18**

What Wondrous Love..... *Connie Campbell Hart* (b. 1929)

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
what wondrous love is this, O my soul?  
What wondrous love is this that brings my heart such bliss,  
and takes away the pain of my soul, of my soul,  
and takes away the pain of my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down beneath my sorrows ground,  
friends to me gather'd round, O my soul, O my soul,  
friends to me gather'd round, O my soul.

To love and to all friends I will sing, I will sing,  
to love and to all friends I will sing.  
To love and to all friends who pain and sorrow mend,  
with thanks unto the end I will sing, I will sing,  
with thanks unto the end I will sing.

**SERMON**

Love Is the Way Out ..... *Rich Abreu*

**SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION & PRAYER**

**ANTHEM**

Mama I'm Coming Home..... *Ozzy Osbourne* (1948–1925)  
Andrew Stack, piano & singing

Times have changed and times are strange  
Here I come but I ain't the same  
Mama, I'm coming home

Times go bye, seems to be  
You could have been a better friend to me  
Mama, I'm coming home

You took me in and you drove me out  
Yeah, you had me hypnotized, yeah  
Lost and found and turned around

By the fire in your eyes  
You made me cry, you told me lies  
But I can't stand to say goodbye  
Mama, I'm coming home

I could be right, I could be wrong  
It hurts so bad it's been so long  
Mama, I'm coming home

Selfish love yeah we're both alone  
The ride before the fall, yeah  
But I'm gonna take this heart of stone  
I just got to have it all

I've seen your face a hundred times  
Everyday we've been apart  
And I don't care about the sunshine, yeah  
'Cause mama, mama, I'm coming home  
I'm coming home

You took me in and you drove me out  
Yeah, you had me hypnotized  
Lost and found and turned around  
By the fire in your eyes

I've seen your face a thousand times  
Everyday we've been apart  
And I don't care about the sunshine, yeah  
'Cause mama, mama, I'm coming home  
I'm coming home, I'm coming home  
I'm coming home

## **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

It's up to us to finance the beloved spiritual community we want to create! Today, we invite you to be part of Arlington Street's story of devotion, innovation, and transformative generosity.



### WAYS TO GIVE

1. Scan the QR code
2. Visit [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.com/GiveASC)
3. Search @ArlingtonStreet on Venmo (Charities)
4. Text the word "GIVE" to (617) 300-0509
5. Mail a check to Arlington Street Church

If you would like to give regularly, you can set up automatic payments at [tinyurl.com/GiveASC](https://tinyurl.com/GiveASC) or by contacting Liz Teixeira Treasurer@ASCBoston.org. We encourage you to provide now for a future gift to Arlington Street by remembering the church in your will. Thank you for helping to ensure a robust future for our beloved spiritual community!

### OFFERTORY

Ständchen ..... *Franz Schubert (1797–1828)*

Andrew Stack, piano & singing

Leise flehen meine Lieder  
Durch die Nacht zu Dir;  
In den stillen Hain hernieder,  
Liebchen, komm' zu mir!

Softly my songs plead  
through the night to you;  
down into the silent grove,  
beloved, come to me!

Flüsternd schlanke Wipfel rauschen  
In des Mondes Licht;  
Des Verräters feindlich Lauschen  
Fürchte, Holde, nicht.

Slender treetops whisper and rustle  
in the moonlight;  
my darling, do not fear  
that the hostile betrayer will overhear  
us.

Hörst die Nachtigallen schlagen?  
Ach! sie flehen Dich,  
Mit der Töne süßen Klagen  
Flehen sie für mich.

Do you not hear the nightingales call?  
Ah, they are imploring you;  
with their sweet, plaintive songs  
they are imploring for me.

Sie verstehn des Busens Sehnen,  
Kennen Liebesschmerz,  
Rühren mit den Silbertönen  
Jedes weiche Herz.

They understand the heart's yearning,  
they know the pain of love;  
with their silvery notes  
they touch every tender heart.

Lass auch Dir die Brust bewegen,  
Liebchen, höre mich!  
Bebend harr' ich Dir entgegen!  
Komm', beglücke mich!

Let your heart, too, be moved,  
beloved, hear me!  
Trembling, I await you!  
Come, make me happy!

**\*HYMN #1064**

Blue Boat Home ..... *Peter Mayer* (b. 1963)

Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains.  
Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say:  
I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known.  
The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.

Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea,  
leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep.  
Drifting here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls,  
making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.

I give thanks to the waves up holding me, hail the great winds urging me on,  
greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor's song:  
I was born up on the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known.  
The wide universe is the ocean I travel, and the earth is my blue boat home.

**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**

Improvisation..... *Andrew Stack*, piano



*Out of respect for Arlington Street Church members and friends who are Jewish,  
we follow the tradition of not spelling out G-d's name.*



## Arlington Street Staff Directory

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## This Week at Arlington Street ~ You Are Invited!

### SUNDAY, JULY 27

11:00 am ~ Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Zoom)

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

### MONDAY, JULY 28

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

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

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

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

*What's something that happened to you, or someone you met, that changed your perspective?*

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga (Zoom)

### THURSDAY, JULY 31

5:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Writes (Zoom)

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

11:00 am ~ Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Zoom)

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

For details and Zoom links for these events and more,  
please visit [ASCBoston.org](http://ASCBoston.org).



## Arlington Street Prudential Committee

The Prudential Committee is Arlington Street's elected, governing board.  
"The Pru" is joined by Stephen Anable (Clerk) and Liz Teixeira (Treasurer)  
in conducting the business of the church.

Sandy Dixon, Co-Chair

Kelly Anne Weaver, Co-Chair

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We welcome your questions  
and suggestions at [Pru\\_Chair@ASCBoston.org](mailto:Pru_Chair@ASCBoston.org)

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