



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026

PRELUDE

Waiting *Younha* (b. 1988)

No More Nights *Eunah Kim*

Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

WELCOME & GREETINGS

Rev. Erica Rose Long (she/her), Affiliated Community Minister
Patrick Cooleybeck (he/him), Worship Coordinator

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.

INTROIT

Calm the Tempests of my Heart text: *Søren Kierkegaard* (1813–1855), adapted
music: *Elizabeth Alexander* (b. 1962)

Hannah Shanefield (she/her), soprano

Natalia St Jean (she/her), soprano

Calm the tempests of my heart, O my G-d
Calm the tempests of my heart, O my G-d
Be still, O my soul, so that G-d may rest in thee
Bringing peace that the world can never take away

OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING

BLK History Month *Nikki Giovanni* (1943-2024)

Rev. Erica Rose Long

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

*HYMN 1002

Comfort Me *Mimi Bornstein-Doble* (b. 1964)

Comfort me, comfort me,
Comfort me, oh my soul.
Comfort me, comfort me,
Comfort me, oh my soul.

Sing with me...
Breathe with me...
Dance with me...
Comfort me...



COVENANT RENEWAL 2026: OUR COMMUNITY, MOVING FORWARD

Lois Hartsough

In this season of Covenant Renewal, we renew our commitment
of love and service and make pledges of financial gifts to support
Arlington Street and our work in the world.

Covenant Renewal Sunday is March 1!

ANTHEM

I Am Waiting *Jim Scott* (b. 1946)
Hannah Shanefield (she/her), soprano

I am waiting in the silence; I am waiting for the dawn
I am often found in reverence, though from many sources drawn.
It is not mine to fight for justice, for it will not be won this day
I am peace and I am waiting for the lost to find their way.

You'll not find me set in judgment of the vain or of the weak.
But I rise to meet the weary with the solace that they seek.
Still I have not fed the hungry, nor strewn wealth among the poor.
I am peace, and bring but mystery and the patience to endure.

I cannot save the suffering from their anger and their pain
Only open doors of insight, so the healing comes again.
To the proud I am elusive, to the humble I am near.
May the broken rise and look beyond the trappings of their fears.

I am found among the seasons, autumn's death and spring's rebirth,
As relentless, their momentum, as the turning of the earth.
All are welcome in my presence, for only love can conquer hate,
I am peace and for the harvest, I have planted and will wait.

SERMON

Waiting..... Rev. Erica Rose Long

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

There is a Love text: *Rev. Rebecca Parker* (b. 1953)
music: *Elizabeth Norton* (b. 1959)

There is a love holding us There is a love holding all
There is a love holding all that we love We rest in this love

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

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION & PRAYER

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
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 or by contacting Cheryl Sullivan Ops@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!

SHARE THE PLATE

Generosity is a spiritual practice at Arlington Street Church. Because sharing our resources transforms both ourselves and our world, we share our Sunday offering with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace.



This month's Share the Plate partner is **LUCE: Immigrant Justice Network of Massachusetts**. LUCE is a coalition of immigrant-led, grassroots organizations who build people power for everyone across Massachusetts.

To make your gift, please scan the QR code above; visit tinyurl.com/GiveASC; or text the amount you want to give and the word SHARE (ex. \$50 SHARE) to (617) 300-0509.

Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY

Patience, from *Dreamgirls* *William Reale & Henry Krieger* (b. 1945)
Bek Zehr (they/them) & Sam LaGrego (he/him), vocals

I know you have questions
Same ones as me
How long has it been?
How long will it be?
When will come the morning
To drive the night away?
Tell me when will come the morning
Of a brighter day?

Patience, my people
Patience, my family
Patience, patience,
Take each other by the hand
Patience, my people
Patience, my family
Let us walk together,
To the promised land

There's a river to cross
And a mountain to climb
Patience, patience,
It's gonna take some time,

We must walk in peace
It's the only, only way
If we want to see that morning
Of a brighter day

Patience, my people
Patience, my family
Patience, patience,
We're gonna find a way
Oh, patience, patience
'Til that brighter day

*HYMN 1020

Woyaya ("We are Going") *Osibisa*

We are going
Heaven knows where we are going
But we know within

And we will get there
Heaven knows how we will get there
But we know we will

It will be hard, we know
And the road will be muddy and rough
But we'll get there
Heaven knows how we will get there
But we know we will

Woyaya, Woyaya...
Woyaya, Woyaya...

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

RECESSIONAL

Tending the Spark *Heather Houston*
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

And we will care for each other
As the world around us unravels
And we will tend to the spark
Of hope that lives within our grieving hearts

And we are here now in this present moment
Lifting our voices and hearts
And we are here now we have come together
We are tending the spark

Of hope...
Oh may it grow...

POSTLUDE

Anticipation *Kangsoo Chun*
Hyunju Jung, 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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Arlington Street Prudential Committee

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

Kelly Anne Weaver, Chair
Sandy Dixon, Co-Chair
Dawn Bellamo

Bill Briggs
Cathy DeMatto
Hala Hazar

Art Nava
Laura Pattison
Darrell Waters

We welcome your questions
and suggestions at Pru_Chair@ASCBoston.org



This Week at Arlington Street ~ You Are Invited!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16 (*President's Day, Church Office Will Be Closed*)

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

6:00 pm ~ Prudential Committee Meeting (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

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

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga (Zoom)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

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

7:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Choir Rehearsal (Clarke Room)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

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

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

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