



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

PRELUDE

Eternity *Jihoon Park*
Les Jours Tranquilles *André Gagnon (1936–2020)*
Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

WELCOME & GREETINGS Rev. Parisa Parsa (she/her), Transitional Minister
Hala-Mary Hazar (she/her), 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.

*HYMN

How Can I Keep from Singing? music: *Robert Lowry (1826–1899)*
arrangement: *Callie Jennings (b. 1978)*
text: *Pauline T. (attributed) and Callie Jennings*

My life flows on in endless song among earth's lamentation.
I catch a sweet though far-off hymn – some stranger's new creation.
In all their tumult, all my strife, I hear their music ringing.
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

And though the tempest 'round me roars, that plain rough truth brings beauty.
And when the darkness 'round me close, the cradling night sings to me.
Though storms will shake my inmost calm while to the rocks I'm clinging,
Somewhere love's shaking heaven and earth. How can I keep from singing?

I lift my eyes. The clouds grow thin. I know there's blue above it.
And day by day, the day's path comes, since first I chose to love it.
These piecemeal hopes, this careworn heart, are fountains ever springing.
All shall be well, and all shall be well. How can I keep from singing?

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

OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING

Debtors *Jim Harrison (1937–2016)*

Rev. Parisa Parsa

INTROIT

Salvation Song *Seth Avett (b. 1980) and Bob Crawford (b. 1971)*

Mark David Buckles (he/him), banjo and vocals

Bek Zehr (they/them), vocals

If you take my heart
Don't leave the smallest part
I've no need to live
if you're to come up gone
And as my life turns to a song
And if and when I treat you wrong
No I never want to hurt our family

And I would give up everything
No this is not just about me
And I don't know a plainer way to say
it, babe
And they may pay us off in fame
Though that is not why we came
And I know well and good that won't
heal our hearts

Chorus

We came for salvation
We came for family
We came for all that's good, that's
how we'll walk away
We came to break the bad
We came to cheer the sad
We came to leave behind the world a
better way

Now if I'm walkin' through the rain
And I hear you call my name
I will break into a run without a pause
And if your love laughs at your dreams
Well it's not as bad as it seems
Either way one of them has got to go
And if you take of my soul
You can still leave it whole
With the pieces of your own you leave
behind

Chorus

And I would give up everything
And if you were to come up clean
And see you shine so bright in a world of
woe
And they may pay us off in fame
But that is not why we came
And if it compromises truth then we will
go

Chorus



**COVENANT RENEWAL 2026:
OUR COMMUNITY, MOVING FORWARD**

Al Ingram

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!

***HYMN 398**

To See the World text: *William Blake* (1757–1827)
music: *Edvard Grieg* (1843–1907)

To see the world in a grain of sand
And a heaven in a wildflower
Hold infinity in the palm of your hand
And eternity in an hour

SERMON

Eternity’s Sunrise Rev. Parisa Parsa

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

More of This *Ashley Mulcaire* (b. 1997)
Bek Zehr (they/them), vocals
Mark David Buckles (he/him), piano and vocals

I'm following my nose,
The path appears
As we walk it
We'll know which way to go
Can't go too far wrong
I mean look at all this

Chorus

Look at all this,
What a gift, what a gift

The world is a miracle
I want to fall back in love with
This is a prayer
If you're there, if you're there
Could I find more of this

The waves carry me in
Salt water on my skin
I'm coming home
Close my eyes while you drive
Sometimes it's just time
Time to go

Chorus

It's the road, it's the sky,
It's that look in your eyes
It's the touch, it's the kiss,
It's the pocket of lint

It's the scrape on your knee,
It's the knock on the door
It's the no it's the yes,
It's the kid in the store

Chorus

***HYMN**

Simple Faith *David Tamulevich & Michael Hough*
from Mustard's Retreat

Chorus

Ours is a simple faith
Life is a short embrace
Heaven is in this place
Every day
Hope is the ground we till
Make each day what you will
Thankful for dreams fulfilled
Every day

No room in this heart for fear
No judgment day drawing near
Trust that inner voice you hear
Every day
Life's not a goal or race
It's about heart and faith

And living a life of grace
Every day

Chorus

Trust is an open hand
Making an honest stand
Rooted here in the land
Every day
Living the mystery
Seeking the harmony
Here between you and me
Every day

Chorus

RECESSIONAL

Tending the Spark (*See back page for sheet music*) *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

Rise Again *Chaerim Kim*
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**

Rev. Parisa Parsa (she/her) • Transitional Minister (SeniorMinister@ASCBoston.org)
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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	Bill Briggs	Art Nava
Sandy Dixon, Co-Chair	Cathy DeMatto	Laura Pattison
Dawn Bellamo	Hala Hazar	Darrell Waters

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



This Week at Arlington Street ~ You Are Invited!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

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

12:00 pm ~ Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, South Stairs

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:00 pm ~ Buddha's Belly (Zoom)

7:00 pm - Arlington Street Meditation (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

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

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga (Zoom)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:00 pm ~ Agora presents "Nunca Digas Nunca: A Comedy Special"

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

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

12:00 pm ~ Special Congregational Meeting (Chapel & Zoom)

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

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