



# ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

## UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

### PRELUDE

I Do Believe ..... *Jihye Na*  
Being Built Together ..... *Chan-Haeng Lee*

Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

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

### INTROIT

Filled with Loving Kindness ..... music: *Ian W. Riddell* (b. 1961)  
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)  
text: *Traditional Buddhist Meditation*, adaptation: *Mark W. Hayes* (b. 1953)

Hannah Shanefield (she/her), soprano  
Sé (Shea) Brown (they/them), sopralto

May I be filled with loving kindness, may I be well  
May you be filled with loving kindness, may you be well  
May you be peaceful, and at ease, may you be whole

May we be filled with loving kindness, may we be well  
May we be filled with loving kindness, may we be well  
May we be peaceful, and at ease, may we be whole

### OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING

Marie O'Brien (she/they) & Kat Fahey (she/her)

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

### \*HYMN

Another World / All Shall Be Well ..... music: *Ana Hernández* (b. 1957)

Another world is not only possible, she is on her way

On a quiet day, I can hear her breathing

She is on her way ..... text: *Arundhati Roy* (b. 1961)

All shall be well, and all shall be well,

And all manner of things shall be well ..... text: *Julian of Norwich* (1343–c. 1416)

### READING & INVITATION

A Few Rules for Predicting the Future ..... *Octavia Butler* (1947–2006)

Rev. Parisa Parsa

### SONG

I See America ..... *Joy Oladokun* (b. 1992)

Sé (Shea) Brown (they/them), vocals

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

Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

Sam LaGrego (he/him), percussion

I saw God out on the block today

He was darker than the preachers say

With a teardrop tattooed on his face

And dirt on his fingers

I heard angels when he laughed the way

That people do when they have known true pain

For his sins I don't know who's to blame

What choice was he given

In this world that we're living?

#### Chorus

When I see you

I see love

I see America

I feel your pain

I share your blood

I see America

Said you mother knows a different time

She lets her tongue slip with a glass of wine

And says some things out loud that don't feel right

And you always forgive her

But don't you see the world is changing now?

The blood of the fallen cries out from the ground

Violence and rumors in a southern town

Both start with a whisper

But so does the difference

#### Chorus

## REFLECTION

Stepping into Discomfort ..... Sarah Cooleybeck

EMBODIED MEDITATION ..... Josh Bookin

## 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](https://tinyurl.com/ASCCandle).*

## 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 Cheryl Sullivan [Ops@ASCBoston.org](mailto: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 week's offering is shared with The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute's Mother's Day Walk for Peace.

In 1993, Louis D. Brown was a 15-year-old growing up in Roxbury with very big plans: college, graduate school, and a doctoral degree in aerodynamic engineering. Louis dreamed of becoming the first African-American and youngest-ever President of the United States. That fall, on his way to a Teens Against Gang Violence meeting, Louis was killed in the crossfire of a gang shootout.

In 1994, his extraordinary mother, Tina Chéry, honored her son's dream by founding The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. Dedicated to peacemaking and nonviolence education, the institute also supports families and communities impacted by murder, trauma, grief, and loss. The Mothers Day Walk for Peace is a beloved, 30-year-long Boston tradition and an important fundraiser for the Institute. To join Arlington Street's team of walkers on May 10, please register at [tinyurl.com/WalkASC](https://tinyurl.com/WalkASC)

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

## OFFERTORY

Bonse Aba ..... *Traditional Zambian*, arrangement: *Andrew Fisher* (b. 1976)

All that sing have the right to be called the children of G-d

## WHAT MIGHT THE FUTURE FEEL LIKE?

### \*HYMNS

Meditation on Breathing ..... *Sarah Dan Jones* (b. 1962)

Breathe in, breathe out  
Breathe in, breathe out  
When I breathe in, I breathe in peace  
When I breathe in, I breathe out love

People Get Ready ..... *Curtis Mayfield* (1942–1999)

People get ready  
There's a train a-coming  
You don't need no baggage  
You just get on board

All you need is faith  
To hear the diesels humming  
Don't need no ticket  
You just thank the Lord

## 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

Coming of Age Story ..... *Mujin Lee* (b. 2000)  
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

Bill Briggs  
Cathy DeMatto  
Hala Hazar

Art Nava  
Laura Pattison  
Darrell Waters

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

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

### **SUNDAY, MAY 3**

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

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

12:45 pm ~ Annual Meeting of the Corporation (Sanctuary & Zoom)

### **MONDAY, MAY 4**

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

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

### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 6**

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

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga (Zoom)

### **THURSDAY, MAY 7**

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

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

### **SUNDAY, MAY 10**

8:00 am ~ Mother's Day Walk for Peace (Town Field in Dorchester)

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 [Arlingtonstreet.org](http://Arlingtonstreet.org).