



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts

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SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026

PRELUDE

Rise Again *Chaerim Kim*

No More Nights *Eun-Ah Kim*

Hyunju Jung (she/her), piano

WELCOME & GREETINGS Rev. Parisa Parsa (she/her), Transitional Senior Minister
Darrell Waters (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

Hallelujah *Karisha Longaker & Sarah Nutting*
from *MaMuse*

choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Every time I feel this way
This old familiar sinking
I will lay my troubles down by the water
Where the river will never run dry

Chorus

Hallelujah, Hallelujah (I'm gonna let myself be lifted)
Hallelujah by and by (I'm gonna let myself be lifted)
I will lay my troubles down by the water
Where the river will never run dry

It's been said and I do believe
As you ask so shall you receive
So take from me these troubles, bring me sweet release
Where the river will never run dry

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

Chorus

There is a river in this heart of hearts
With a knowingness of my highest good
I am willing, I will do my part
Where the river will never run dry

Chorus

OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING

A Ritual to Read to Each Other *William Stafford* (1914–1993)
 Rev. Parisa Parsa

***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

READING

Messy and Imperfect Beloved Community *Laila Ibrahim* (b. 1967)

ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas music: *Paul Halley* (b. 1950)

Latin chant *St. Francis of Assisi*, attrib. (1181/2-1226)

Ubi caritas et amor Deus ibi est.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Where charity and love are, G-d is there.

The love of Christ has gathered us together.

Yoruba chant *Abdel Salaam, Yoruba & Kemetic texts*

Oba ye, Oba yo batala

Oba ye, Oba yo O batala

Oba ye, Oba yo Yemanja

Oba ye, Oba yo O Yemanja

Oba ye, Oba yo O Ra Ausar

Praises to Obatala, ruler of the Heavens.

Praises to Yemoja, ruler of the waters of life.

Praises to Ra and Osiris, rulers of the light and the resurrected soul.

SERMON

Khodahafez Rev. Parisa Parsa

HYMN 1048

Ubi Caritas text: *Paulinus II of Aquileia*, attrib. (c. 726–802)

music: *Jacques Berthier* (1923–1994)

Ubi caritas

Et amor

Ubi caritas

Deus ibi est

Translation: where love and compassion are, G-d is there

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 that we love

There is a love holding all

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.*

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.

Boston Immigration Justice Accompaniment Network (BIJAN) is a community network of individuals, faith communities, and other activist groups working to reduce the escalating harm of our immigration system in the current political context. BIJAN provides accompaniment, housing, food and clothing to refugees and asylum seekers in the greater Boston area. This morning's offering goes specifically to replenish their bond fund, which has freed 169 people from ICE detention in the last five months. Unitarian Universalist Massachusetts Action has set a goal of \$20,000 coming from UU congregations by the end of June. Let's do our part! In addition to the morning's offering, you can give directly at <https://www.beyondbondboston.org/donate>

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

OFFERTORY

Rainbow *Kacey Musgraves* (b. 1988),
Shane McAnally (b. 1974), and *Natalie Hemby* (b. 1977)
Sé (Shea) Brown (they/them), vocals
Mark David Buckles (he/him), piano

When it rains, it pours
But you didn't even notice it ain't rainin' anymore
It's hard to breathe when all you know is
The struggle of stayin' above the risin' water line

Chorus

The sky has finally opened
The rain and wind stopped blowin'
But you're stuck out in the same ol' storm again
You hold tight to your umbrella
Well, darlin', I'm just tryin' to tell ya
That there's always been a rainbow hangin' over your head

If you could see what I see, you'd be blinded by the colors
Yellow, red, and orange, and green, and at least a million others
So tie up the bow, take off your coat, and take a look around

Chorus

Oh, tie up the bow, take off your coat, and take a look around
Everything is alright now

Chorus

Yeah, there's always been a rainbow hangin' over your head
It'll all be alright

RITUAL OF RELEASE

Please see final page

***HYMN**

Keep On Moving Forward *Pat Humphries* (b. 1960)
from *Emma's Revolution*
arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Gonna keep on moving forward
Keep on moving forward
Keep on moving forward
Never turning back
Never turning back

Gonna keep on singing loudly...

Gonna keep on loving boldly...

Gonna keep on moving forward...

Gonna keep on moving proudly...

Never turning back, never turning back

***BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

IRISH BLESSING

An Irish Blessing text: *Traditional Gaelic blessing*
music: *Everett Reed*

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face.
May the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May G-d hold you in the palm of their hand

***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

Song For You *Jin Kyung*
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.*



This Week at Arlington Street ~ You Are Invited!

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

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

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

1:00 pm ~ Appreciation Luncheon for Rev. Parisa (Parish Hall)

MONDAY, JUNE 15

12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 16

6:00 pm ~ Prudential Committee Meeting (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

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

6:00 pm ~ Kundalini Yoga (Zoom)

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

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

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

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.



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 (Treasurer)
in conducting the business of the church.

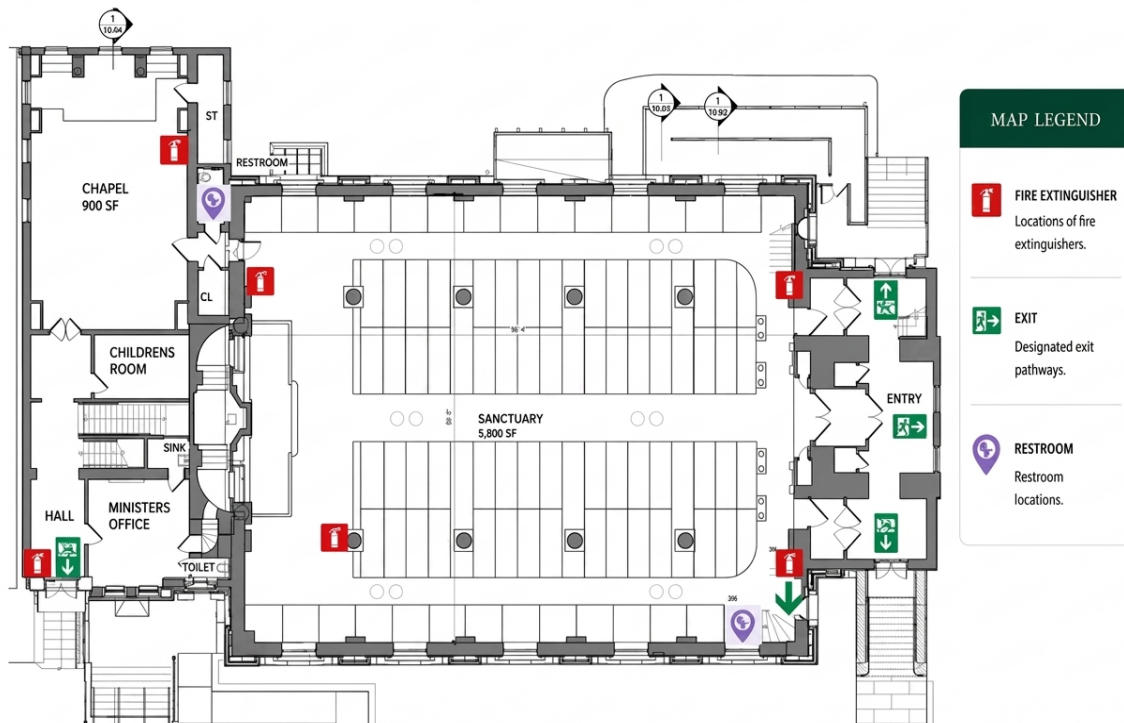
Kelly Anne Weaver, Chair
Sandy Dixon, Co-Chair
David Erbe

Bill Briggs
Cathy DeMatto
Hala Hazar

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Laura Pattison
Darrell Waters

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

SANCTUARY MAP



**Ritual of Release
for the end of a ministry**

Kelly Anne Weaver (Pru Chair): On August 1, 2024, this congregation hired the Rev. Parisa Parsa to serve as Transitional Senior Minister.

Rev. Parisa: I thank Arlington Street Church, its members and friends, for the love, kindness and support you have shown me these last two years. I ask forgiveness for the mistakes I have made. I am grateful for the ways my leadership has been encouraged and accepted. As I leave, I carry with me all that I have learned here.

Congregation: We receive your thankfulness, offer forgiveness, and accept that your time with us is ending. We express our gratitude for your ministry among us. We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes. Your influence on our faith and faithfulness will stay with us.

Rev. Parisa: I forgive you and accept your gratitude, trusting that both our time together and our parting are holy.

Vows of Release

Kelly Anne Weaver: Do you, the members and friends of Arlington Street Church, release the Rev. Parisa Parsa from the duties of Transitional Senior Minister?

Congregation: We do.

Kelly Anne Weaver: Do you offer her your encouragement as her life and ministry unfold in new ways?

Congregation: We do.

Kelly Anne Weaver: Do you, Rev. Parisa Parsa, release Arlington Street Church from turning to you and depending on you when you complete your time with us on July 31?

Parisa Parsa: I do.

Kelly Anne Weaver: Do you offer your encouragement for the continuing ministry here and on the relationship with the co-ministers who will come to serve?

Parisa Parsa: I do.

All: We bear witness to the words spoken here:
words of thankfulness, forgiveness and release.

Prayer

All: We give thanks for all the times, when we, together, have shared this life of faith. We are grateful for the moments we have shared with Rev. Parisa in worship, in prayer, and in presence. We pray that Rev. Parisa will always be aware of the Spirit's guidance in her life and ministry. Help each of us to trust the future and all the ways we are held in love. Guide us as we hold these cherished memories and move in new directions, in the faith that we are always, already connected. Amen.