ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Boston, Massachusetts
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

PRELUDE

Prelude for Autumn ..... *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
Gymnopédie No. 1 ..... *Erik Satie* (1866–1925)
At First Light ..... *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
Anna Sunmin Park (she/her), piano

WELCOME & GREETINGS ..... Joanna Lubkin (she/her), Guest Speaker
Harry Kelso (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)

Sé (Shea) Brown (they/them), sopralto
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

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

OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING

Joy Enough to Begin ..... *Kate Lore*

How long we have stood
with our shoulders raised,
listening for the next
terrible thing.

Now the breath returns.
Now we feel how tired we are.
Now we hold each other
a little longer at the door.

Somewhere, a ballot unfolded
beneath a kitchen light.
Someone sat with the names,
the choices,
the lives beyond their own,
and chose to care.

Enough of us chose.

And integrity—
battered, steadfast,
still keeping its word—

has carried the day.
What I hardly dared to hope
has opened like a window.
I stand before it,
letting the air reach
places in me
I had forgotten were closed.

Tonight, somewhere,
someone may sleep
with one fewer fear.

And someone who mistook
cruelty for strength
may hear, at last,
the country saying: enough.

May we be faithful
to what we have opened.
May our hands remember
what our ballots promised.

There are neighbors to bring home,
wounds that need tending,
so many lives
still waiting for relief.

But first, this gladness.
This laughter spilling over.
This sudden wish
to set another place,
to throw the curtains wide,
to hear the voices
coming up the walk.

Come in, you brave
and tenderhearted people.
Let me see your faces.
Let us be glad together.

We have work to do,
and joy enough
to begin.

***HYMN 88**

Calm Soul of All Things ..... text: *Matthew Arnold* (1822–1888)
music: *Thomas Tallis* (c. 1505–1585)

Calm soul of all things, make it mine
To feel, amid the city's jar
That there abides a peace of thine
I did not make, and cannot mar

The will to neither strive nor cry,
The power to feel with others, give
Calm, calm me more
Nor let me die before I have begun to live

READING

Shabbat Moment (excerpt) ..... *Marge Piercy* (b. 1936)

...Untie the knots of the will.
Loosen
your clenched grip
barren hills of bone.
Here, no edges to hone,
only the palm fallen
open as a rose about
to toss its petals.

What you have made,
what you have spoiled
let go.
Let twilight empty
the crowded rooms
quiet the jostling colors
to hues of swirling water
pearls of fog.

This is the time
for letting time go
like a released balloon
dwindling.
Tilt your neck and let
your face open to the sky
like a pond catching light
drinking the darkness.

REFLECTION

Sabbath: Finding Enough ..... Joanna Lubkin

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION & PRAYER

ANTHEM

To Sit and Dream ..... text: *Langston Hughes* (1902–1967)
music: *Rosephanye Powell* (b. 1962)

To sit and dream, to sit and read,
To sit and learn about the world.
Outside our world of here and now -
Our problem world -
To dream of vast horizons of the soul,
Of dreams made whole,
Unfettered free - help me!
All you who are dreamers, too,
Help me make our world anew.
I reach out my hand to you.

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.

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1. Scan the QR code
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OFFERTORY

Wildflowers ..... *Tom Petty* (1950–2017)

Sé (Shea) Brown (they/them), vocals
Mark David Buckles (he/him), guitar and vocals

You belong among the wildflowers
You belong in a boat out at sea
Sail away, kill off the hours
You belong somewhere you feel free

Run away, find you a lover
Go away somewhere all bright and new
I have seen no other
Who compares with you

You belong among the wildflowers
You belong in a boat out at sea
You belong with your love on your arm
You belong somewhere you feel free

Run away, go find a lover
Run away, let your heart be your guide
You deserve deepest of cover
You belong in that home by and by

You belong among the wildflowers
You belong somewhere close to me
Far away from your trouble and worry
You belong somewhere you feel free
You belong somewhere you feel free

***HYMN**

Life Calls Us On ..... text: *Rev. Kendyl Gibbons* (b. 1955)
music: *Rev. Jason Shelton* (b. 1972)

Here in reverence now we gather
For the blessings we have known
With a pledge to one another
That we journey not alone
Joy and sorrow make us wise
Kin to all that lives and dies
Love calls us on, love calls us on

Words and deeds of those before us
Waken here to keep us strong
Blend our voices in the chorus
Of creation's living song
Courage bids us lift our eyes
Upward to the shining skies
Hope calls us on, hope calls on

Loyal guides in love and duty
Lead us with a trusted light
Blest are they whose inward beauty
Shows the path of truth and right
Honor is their earthly prize
By their work we realize
Faith calls us on, faith calls us on

Here in reverence now we gather
For the blessings we have known
With a pledge to one another
That we journey not alone
Joy and sorrow make us wise
Kin to all that lives and dies
Life calls us on! Life calls us on!

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

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing ..... *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
from *4 Jazz Hymns for Piano* tune: *Nettleton (American Folk Melody)*

Anna Sunmin Park (she/her), piano

~Following this morning's service,
please join us in the Hunnewell Chapel (through the leather doors) for Coffee Hour~

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 (Treasurer) in conducting the business of the church.

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

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This Week at Arlington Street ~ You Are Invited!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8th
11:00 am ~ Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Zoom)
12:00 pm ~ Coffee Hour (Hunnewell Chapel & Zoom)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9th
12:00 pm ~ Monday Mettā (Zoom)
4:00 pm ~ Poems to Go On (Zoom)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10th
6:00 pm ~ Buddha's Belly (Zoom)
7:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Meditation Room (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th
5:00 pm ~ Tea with Pastor Jud Wolfskill (Zoom)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12th
5:00 pm ~ Arlington Street Writes! (Zoom)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15th
11:00 am ~ Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Zoom)
12:00 pm ~ Coffee Hour (Hunnewell Chapel & Zoom)

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

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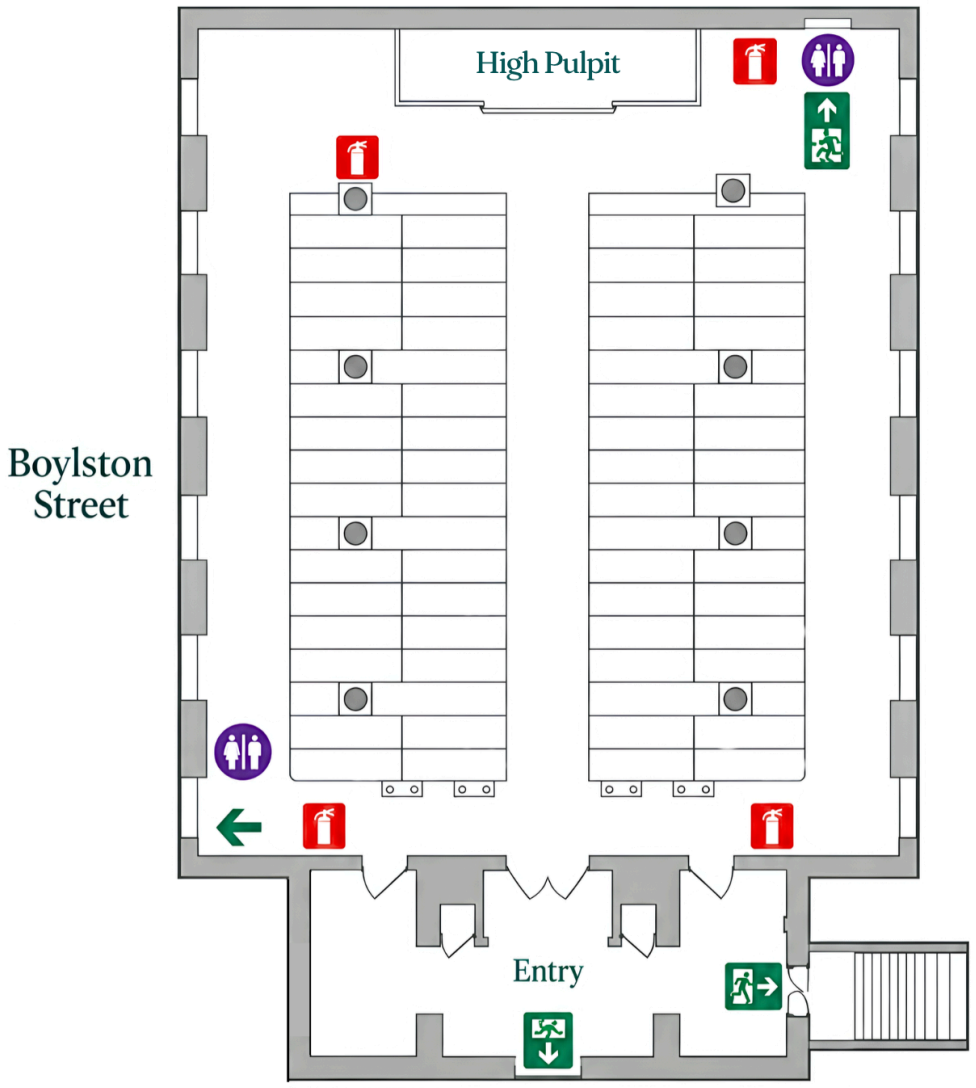

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