

# Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist*

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2012

HAPPY EARTH DAY!

## PRELUDE

Cinq Sorties, from *Heures Mystiques* ..... *Léon Boëllmann* (1862-1897)  
Molly Wood, organ

## INTROIT

Seventh Principle ..... *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)  
We believe in the interdependent web of all existence  
of which we are a part.

## WELCOME

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn 19, The Sun That Shines

CHALICE LIGHTING ..... Harlow Robinson

## STORY

Clouds ..... *Laura Evonne Steinman*

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction ..... text: *Barbara Pescan*



music: *Bart Bradfield*

Go in joy,— go in peace to meet the day! With  
op - en hearts em - brace life's won - der. We will guide you,  
we will love you on your way.

*During the Children's Blessing, all children are always  
welcome to join us for Children's Religious Education!*

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

One Member's Journey: Covenant Renewal ..... *Reese Millican*

## CANTICLE

Green, Green Garden ..... *Roy Zimmerman* (b. 1957)  
Roy Zimmerman, guitar and vocals

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the  
congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the  
right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until  
the beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards

are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, by clicking on “Worship.”

Some of us pray with our words, some of us pray through our actions, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer ..... music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)  
text: *African American Spiritual “Balm in Gilead” and Nick Page*  
Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; J. Jacob Krause, baritone

The image shows musical notation for the song 'Healing Prayer'. It consists of two staves: 'Drone' and 'Melody'. Both staves are in 3/4 time and have a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The Drone staff contains a series of quarter notes: G3, F3, E3, D3, C3, B2, A2, G2. The Melody staff begins with a whole note G3, followed by a half note F3, and then a triplet of eighth notes: E3, D3, C3. The lyrics 'We pray' are written under the first two notes of the melody, and 'We' is written under the final note of the melody.

## AFFIRMATION AND 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.

El amor es el espíritu  
de nuestra congregación  
Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.  
Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:  
Convivir en paz,  
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,  
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

## \*HYMN 207

Earth Was Given as a Garden

## HOMILY

Touch the Earth with Reverence..... Rebecca Froom, Intern Minister

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDIATION, AND PRAYER

## READING

Merger Poem ..... text: *Judy Chicago* (b. 1939)

## SONG

Hope, Struggle, and Change ..... *Roy Zimmerman & Melanie Harby*  
Roy Zimmerman, guitar and vocals arr. Buckles

## OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

## OFFERTORY

I Approve This Message ..... *Roy Zimmerman* (b. 1957)  
Roy Zimmerman, guitar and vocals

**\*HYMN**

This Land is Your Land ..... *Woody Guthrie (1912-1967)*

Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

This land is your land, this land is my land  
From California, to the New York Island  
From the redwood forest, to the gulf stream waters  
This land was made for you and me

**\*EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION** (*sung twice; please join us!*)

When You Walk From Here ..... text: *Linnea Good*  
music: *Tom Witt, arr. Buckles*

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,  
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, And with God’s humble care.

**RECESSIONAL TO THE GARDEN**

Percussion Improvisation: Mark David Buckles, djembe

**GARDEN BLESSING**

Immediately following the service, everyone is invited to gather on the sidewalk on the Boylston Street side of the church for a blessing of our garden. Following the blessing, coffee and lunch will be served in the parish hall. All are welcome.

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

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**TODAY in CRE**

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**Children’s Religious Education (CRE)**

Happy Earth Day! Today in CRE we will be outside planting our Arlington Street Church garden!

**Coming Up:** Stop by the CRE room next Sunday after church to see our village under construction. We’ve made our buildings; now it’s time to lay out streets, plantings, put in lights, and figure out what else our village needs. Share ideas with the children about the community we’re creating!

**PLANTS FOR THE GARDEN**

If you have arrived with plants today for the Arlington Street Church garden, please leave them at the great doors. Thank you!

Sr. Minister Kim K. Crawford Harvard is away this morning. Rev. Kim will be back in the pulpit next Sunday.