

commitment to the cooperatives and communities with which we work, and our efforts to work with them to make their communities more sustainable, we have expanded our commitment to assist them in bringing their products to you as part of our Fair Trade-Peace Trade program.

### **Arlington Street's Literary Salon, The Wednesdays, presents The Wednesdays: Shakespeare's Plays**

Wednesdays, Jan 21, Jan 28, Feb 11, & Feb 18. ~ 6:00-7:30 PM, The Frothingham Library

*Shakespeare I:* January 21: Henry VI, Part One; January 28: Henry VI, Part Two; February 11: Henry VI, Part Three; February 18: Richard III

Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim have come up with a scheme that we hope will excite you as much as it does us! The Wednesdays of January and February will be the first installment of a long series devoted to reading all 38 plays of Shakespeare. (Our plan is to alternate Shakespeare with other writers: Flannery O'Connor, Faulkner, Mary Oliver, et al. So we'll have a Shakespeare course, then another course, then the next Shakespeare course, then another course, etc.) This is a huge ambition and will take years to accomplish, but it's wholly appropriate, since Shakespeare is by universal consent not only the greatest writer in the English language, but one of the immortals of world literature. (His only peers in that lofty realm are Homer, Dante, and Cervantes.) Part of what this means is that, sometimes, we will read plays that are only apprentice-work, i.e., plays that are less than great (there are blessedly few of these), and we will need to practice a good deal of patience with archaic language, attending to a plethora of footnotes, since there's no doing without them (unless you live in a world where you cut your meat with a bodkin and teach your children to say their orizons at bedtime). In other words, these Shakespeare courses are not for the faint of heart. But since it's generally true that "as ye sow, so shall ye reap," the rewards will be enormous. For many of us this will be one of the great experiences/accomplishments of our lives! All are welcome!

### **Join the Arlington Street Choir this Fall!**

Every Thursday ~ 7:00 PM, Clarke Room

Experience the spiritual practice of communal singing! Take just a couple of hours out of your week to create something beautiful, make friends, and add more music to your life! Musicians and non-musicians are welcome—we are a mix of professionals and amateurs.

We rehearse every Thursday and are always accepting new members. We meet in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles at MBuckles@ASCBoston.org.

### **Children's Religious Education Wants You!**

Would you enjoy assisting behind the scenes, sharing a story or your spiritual practice, going on a field trip, leading a sex ed class, holding babies, building with legos, or digging in the dirt! If the answer is yes, please contact Laura or Erica for more information at CRE@ASCBoston.org.

## **COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM** **July 2014 through June 2015**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We commit an **TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE** of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
to support the work of Arlington Street Church for 2014-2015.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pledge contributions may be made by cash, check, or credit card.**

- If you are paying with cash via the Sunday collection, please mark the envelope with your name(s) and "**2015 Pledge Payment**".
- Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church with "**2015 Pledge Payment**" written on the check memo line.
- If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete the following:

**Accepted:**  Mastercard  Visa

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: mm \_\_\_\_\_ yy \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please charge my credit card in either:**

- One payment for my entire pledge on July 10, 2014
- Equal monthly installments on the **10<sup>th</sup> of each month**
- I'm adding a pledge of SERVICE! Here's how I'd like to serve:**

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#### SUGGESTION BOX

The staff and leadership of Arlington Street Church welcome your ideas, comments, and suggestions. If you have a thought to share about what works well or what could be improved, please send a message to **Comments@ASCBoston.org**. The Church's administrative assistant will pass your message on to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow up. Thanks!

#### SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, (both congregational use and rentals), must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Administrative Assistant and Facilities Manager. Jeffrey is able to help you Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM. He can be reached by phone at 617.536.7050 ext. 14 or by e-mail at JBouchard@ASCBoston.org.

#### INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements **before Tuesday noon** to publications@ascboston.org. Laurinda O'Connor will receive your email and will compile the announcements for publication. Materials should be legible, signed, and fully composed. Space is limited, so some editing may be necessary. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

#### OUR CARING COMMUNITY—EMERGENCIES

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office, 617.536.7050. Our staff and ministers will be in touch to lend support.

#### SECURITY NOTE

This is an urban church. Please do not leave your valuables unattended!

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# INSIDE



## ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

*NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2014

### **TODAY**

#### **Coffee Hour and Lunch**

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

We welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To volunteer, and for more information about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen today, or contact Jon Ellertson.

#### **The Snow is Coming!**

#### **Please Lend a Hand in the Garden**

Today ~ 12:30 PM, ASC Garden

We have hundreds more bulbs to plant in our garden, leaves to rake, and plants to cut back before the snow lands. Spring will still come if we don't get it all done, but it won't be as pretty. Unfortunately, half of Team Eden is on the "injured reserve list" right now. We could really use some help today from 12:30-2:00 pm to put the garden to bed. Please join us after lunch. Tools provided, no experience needed!

#### **Arlington Street Circle of Caring**

Today; Dec. 7th and 21st ~ 12:30 PM, Frothingham Library

Are you battling illness, caring for someone who is ill, or in the process of losing someone you love? Or have you already lost them, and are you trying to cope with the heartbreak and anger that accompany loss and grief? If you are currently struggling, or have experienced this type of life crisis and would like to share how you made it through, then please join the Caring Circle.

Maureen Peterson is an ASC member who has lost her parents and her best friend to cancer and her brother to AIDS. Her vision of the Circle of Caring is to create a safe space in which to share our stories, discuss what might help, and just be together in support, in healing, in peace and always in love.

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## Making a Difference for Immigrant Children and Families

Today, Meet Chelsea Collaborative's Executive Director, Gladys Vega 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

This year over 68,000 unaccompanied children have been apprehended by Border Patrol at the Southwest border. Many of the children are suffering trauma and some face deportation. Chelsea Collaborative ([chelseacollab.org](http://chelseacollab.org)), a grassroots immigrant rights organization, is the largest provider of services in Massachusetts to unaccompanied minors. These services include food, clothing, medical support, social work, and advocacy in public schools, housing, and with the police.

Thank you! Your generous contributions will go to over 250 immigrant children and families supported by Chelsea Collaborative. Chelsea Collaborative gives out food every day. Please come to talk with Chelsea Collaborative's Executive Director, Gladys Vega, after the service today to learn more about this wonderful organization!

### Indulge Planning Meeting

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Clarke Room

Today is our first planning meeting for Indulge 2015. The event is scheduled for March 28th, 2015, and it will doubtless be as much fun and as successful as all the previous Indulgences! Come be a part of helping to make this fun night a reality!

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## THIS WEEK

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### Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion and Arlington Street Zen Center

Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday.

Buddha's Belly meets at 6 PM. We begin our discussion of Pema Chödrön's *Start Where You Are*. Please read chapters 1-3.

Arlington Street Zen Center meets at 7 PM and includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are welcome!

### Kundalini Yoga Class

Every Wednesday ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Experience fun exercises and poses, breathing techniques, chanting, meditation, and deep relaxation in this unique class. Moving energy through your body brings positive change and growth. There is a \$10 charge that goes to the church. First class is free!

*We invite you to cut out this calendar or view the full calendar at [ASCBoston.org](http://ASCBoston.org)*

## This Week

### Sunday, November 23, 2014

- \*9:30 AM Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Social Action Committee Meeting ~ Smith Room
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish, Stage Right
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Arlington Street Circle of Caring ~ Frothingham Library
- 12:30 PM Indulge Planning Meeting ~ Clarke Room
- 12:30 PM SAC Meeting with Chelsea Collaborative ~ Hunnewell Chapel

### Monday, November 24, 2014

- 10:30 AM Connections ~ Perkins
- 6:30 PM Membership Team Meeting ~ Perkins

### Tuesday, November 25, 2014

- 6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
- 7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

### Wednesday, November 26, 2014

- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Parish Hall

### Thursday, November 27, 2014

Church office is closed for the holiday

### Friday, November 28, 2014

- 5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

### Saturday, November 29, 2014

No congregational events are scheduled.

### Sunday, November 30, 2014

- \*9:30 AM Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Childcare ~ Nursery (off Hunnewell Chapel)
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall

\* Denotes closed meetings. This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation.

*For additional listings, please visit [www.ASCBoston.org](http://www.ASCBoston.org)*



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### South African Choir Visits Arlington Street Church

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> ~ 1:30 PM, Sanctuary

On Sunday, December 7th, the Berg River Choir from Piketberg, South Africa will visit Arlington Street Church. They will be guests at the 11 AM service, and will perform a concert in the Sanctuary at 1:30 that afternoon.

A donation of \$15 is requested. For more information, please speak to Laura Pattison or Chris Curtiss, or contact them through [office@ASCBoston.org](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org).

### Want To Showcase Your Crafts at the Holiday Bazaar?

Sundays, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> ~ 10:30 -10:45 AM & 12-1:00 PM, Parish Hall

December is around the corner, and it's almost time for our Holiday Bazaar! Each craft table is asked to make a free-will donation to the church from their proceeds. Please let Laura Evonne Steinman know if you would be interested in participating this year ([les@ascboston.org](mailto:les@ascboston.org)).

### Concert Masterpieces of European and American Music

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Internationally renowned violinist and teacher Vera Rubin (violin) and Arlington Street's own Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan (piano, organ) will present a program of beloved Masterpieces of European and American violin, piano, and organ music. They will perform a sonata for violin and piano by Robert Schumann; virtuoso violin pieces by Charles de Bériot, Henry Vieuxtemps, and Aaron Copland; the Introduction and Passacaglia for organ by Max Reger; and their own transcription of Praeludium and Allegro by Fritz Kreisler for violin with organ. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for seniors and students. All are welcome!

### Fair Trade Holiday Sale!

Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM, Parish Hall

Just in time for holiday entertaining and gift-giving, our friends from CREA (Center for Reflection, Education, and Action) will be selling fair trade coffee from El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, the Congo, and Uganda; various teas, baking cocoa, hot chocolate, olive oil from Palestine, chocolate from Ghana as well as gift products from Guatemala, el Salvador, Haiti, Palestine, and Uganda. By purchasing these products, you make it possible for families to be together, to send their children to school, to have food and a place to live, and to have hope for a sustainable future.

CREA is a faith-based social, economic research, and education center based in Hartford, CT that works on human rights and labor rights in supply chains, systemic analysis, corporate responsibility, fair trade-peace trade, sustainable living wages and income, and sustainable communities around the world. As part of our

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