

Help Establish Arlington Street's Transformation

Team and Charter

A Transformation Team is charged with working with the congregation over an extended period of time to develop an anti-racist multicultural identity and practice. It is not a new committee, but rather works with all committees and all aspects of the organization. Since it is expected to create a long-term organizing strategy, it will need to exist as a permanent structure. Certainly the membership of the team will change over time, but its mission and purpose will stay intact. A link to the proposed Transformation Team charter can be found at ASCBoston.org, or by contacting the church office. All input is welcome by emailing (transformation@ascboston.org), snailmailing the church (attention: Transformation Team), or calling the church office (617-536-7050). We will vote on the charter at the June 1st corporation meeting.

Thanks For The Card Donations

Thanks from the Parish Concerns Group for your generous card donations. The card box is once again overflowing, so please hold onto any extra cards you might have until you hear from us again!

Welcome to Shambhala

Weds., June 4th ~ 6:30 PM Tea/Conversation; 7:00-8:30 Program/Tour
Shambhala Meditation Center, 646 Brookline Ave. Brookline MA

Our friends at Boston Shambhala Center invite us to a "Welcome to Shambhala" gathering. Please join Rev. Kim for this wonderful opportunity to learn about the core principles of the Shambhala community and how they aspire to work with them in everyday life. The evening will include an introduction to Shambhala, a guided meditation practice, a talk, and contemplation of the Shambhala principles, as related to personal transformation and social vision. The evening concludes with a tour of the meditation halls, refreshments, and social time. Registration is not required. They invite us to bring friends and to dress comfortably. Cushions and chairs will be provided.

Parking in the Alley behind Arlington Street Church

Parking revenue is a critical piece of church income. Please help keep our tenants happy by leaving their spaces available to them. Spaces are rented Monday through Saturday and tenants have been given the option to tow.

- Space 10 is not rented and is available to small cars
- Spaces 2, 7, 8, and 9 are available after 6:00 PM
- Spaces 3, 4, 5 are rented from 6:00 AM-9:00 PM
- Space 1 is reserved at all times for the minister

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 **10th of each month**
- I'm adding a pledge of SERVICE! Here's how I'd like to serve:**

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 **print@ascboston.org**. Phyllis Guiliano (Business Administrator) 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, MAY 18TH, 2014

TODAY

Coffee Hour

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 at office@ascboston.org.

Share the Plate with Louis D. Brown Peace Institute

Today ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

We continue our new spiritual practice of generosity at Arlington Street. For May, *Share the Plate* donations will go to Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. Half of this morning's offering will sustain Arlington Street, and half will go to the Institute.

Louis D. Brown Peace Institute is staffed almost entirely by survivors of violence. It supports other survivors while sponsoring anti-violence services and workshops in local schools. It also organizes the annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace.

If you wish to split your cash, a check, or credit card donation between your pledge to Arlington Street and *Share the Plate*, please specify how much money goes toward each. Thank You!

Catie Scudera's Ordination and Reception!

Today ~ 5:00 PM, (4:30 clergy robing), Sanctuary

The congregation at Arlington Street Church, along with the Winchester Unitarian Society, will be ordaining our intern, Catie Scudera, into the Unitarian Universalist ministry! All Arlington Street members and friends are invited to participate in this celebration of our family of faith. A reception of heavy appetizers and desserts will follow in the parish hall.

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Tom Goss and His Band

Tonight ~ 8:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Tom Goss is a guitar toting, power-pop prodigy. While his radio-ready music is often compared to acoustic-pop peers such as Jason Mraz and Jack Johnson, it is Goss' earnest and thoughtful lyrics that have propelled him to serious singer/songwriter status. Goss has built a reputation as an activist and spokesperson for the LGBTQ community. In his three previous albums Goss has connected with fans through his deeply personal, heartfelt songs set to lush orchestration and acoustic guitars. For his newest release, *Wait* (Spring 2014), Goss has upped the ante musically, featuring a full band of top-notch musical veterans, including Liz DeRoche (Cane and the Sticks/The Pushovers). While the lyrical content remains charming and intimate, the addition of a band adds a new dimension of immediacy while packing an emotional punch. Tickets for \$12 can be purchased at <http://tomgossmusic.net/wordpress/full-store/live-in-boston-full-band-sunday-518/>.

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, May 21st ~ 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 donation that goes to the church. First class is free!

The Wednesdays Literary Salon with Professor Alan Helms ~ Alice Munro

Wednesdays, May 21st and 28th ~ 6:00-8:00 PM, Frothingham Library

For my money, Alice Munro is the best living writer in English. She just won the Nobel Prize in Literature, the first time in its hundred years plus history that the prize has been given to a short story writer. Her style is graceful, deft, and clear; her psychological acuity brilliant; her story-telling prowess unequalled; and her humanity profound. To read an Alice Munro story is to enter a world that is strange yet familiar, and then to leave it deeply moved, sometimes shaken, always enlightened with a larger sense of life. Please join Rev. Kim and me for the last two glorious encounters with this transcendent writer.

Our text is Munro's first collection of short stories: *Dance of the Happy Shades*. You'll find over 20 copies on Amazon for \$12-16, and most public libraries will have it. Readings:

- May 21st: "The Time of Death," "Day of the Butterfly," "Boys and Girls"
- May 28th: "Red Dress-1946," "Sunday Afternoon," "Dance of the Happy Shades"

SAVE THE DATE

Special Celebratory Worship

Wednesday, May 28th ~ 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

Come celebrate! In 2012, a group of church members committed to completing a two-year curriculum called "Building The World We Dream About" which explores anti-racism, anti-oppression, and multiculturalism in ourselves and our communities. The course will end in June. There is much to celebrate and an exciting future

We invite you to cut out this calendar and keep it handy or view the full calendar at ASCBoston.org

This Week

Sunday, May 18, 2014

- 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Social Action Committee ~ Smith Room
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
- 12:00 PM Photo Taking ~ Hunnewell Chapel
- 3:30 PM CRE Committee Meeting ~ Perkins Room
- 4:00 PM Youth Group/Catie's Ordination ~ Perkins Room
- 5:00 PM Catie Scudera's Ordination ~ Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM Ordination Reception ~ Parish Hall
- 8:30 PM Tom Goss Concert ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Monday, May 19, 2014

- 6:00 PM Veterans for Peace ~ Hunnewell Chapel
- *6:30 PM Multiculturalism/Anti-Racism Class ~ Perkins Room

Tuesday, May 20, 2014

- 6:00 PM Prudential Committee Meeting ~ Perkins Room

Wednesday, May 21, 2014

- *12:00 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
- 6:00 PM The Wednesdays: Alice Munro ~ Frothingham Library
- 7:30 PM Web Team ~ Perkins Room

Thursday, May 22, 2014

- 7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, May 23, 2014

- 5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, May 24, 2014

- No congregational events

Sunday, May 25, 2014

- 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish, Carol Smith
- 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



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ahead! Please join us for a special worship service as we conclude this class, honor the journey thus far, and reflect on the next steps toward building the world we dream at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and light snacks will be provided. Please RSVP at <http://tinyurl.com/ASCBuildingTheWorld>.

Annual Corporation (Congregation) Meeting

Sunday, June 1st ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

*Vote required

*Membership Update

*Elections

1. Prudential Committee (3-year term)
 - Dave Erbe
 - Mary Marcel
 - Tina Rose
2. Moderator (1-year term)
 - Desmond Ravenstone
3. Treasurer (1-year term)
 - Susie Nacco
4. Clerk (1-year term)
 - Doc Kinne
5. Nominating Committee (1-year term)
 - Art Nava, Chair
 - Vincent Licenziato
 - Charles Howes
 - Shane McBride
 - Barb Seidl
6. Clara Barton & Mass Bay UUA District Delegate
 - Rachel Corey
7. Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry—no nominees

Building the World We Dream About

Update

*Approval of charter for new Transformation Team

Congregational Goals and Planning Alex Frost

*FY15 Budget Finance Team

Treasurer's Report Susie Nacco

Questions on written reports

Other Business

Written Reports:

- Business Administrator
- Prudential Committee
- Social Action Committee
- Other Committees as available

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covenant Renewal ~ Have You Pledged Yet?

Along with volunteer service, an annual pledge is an important component of membership at Arlington Street Church. Please fill out a pledge form and place it in the offering basket! Let's give to maintain the glorious building we love, to grow the programs we so enjoy, to support the minister and staff we depend on, and to make real our vision of love, service, justice, and peace in the world!

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