

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!

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.

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.

Nimo Patel and Empty Hands Music!

Wednesday/Thursday, June 11th-12th ~ 6:30 PM Marblehead Zen Center
135 Lafayette Street (St. Andrew's Church), Marblehead, MA

We're invited! The Marblehead Zen Center will be hosting Nimo Patel and Empty Hands Music, who are on a pilgrimage to celebrate kindness and connection in the world! Be enchanted by this: www.youtube.com/watch?v=zrVHarNCaYA

All events are free and open to the whole family, community poets, singers, and musicians. Please write info@marbleheadzencenter.org to let them know you're coming, or to request more information.

- Wednesday, 7 AM-1 PM ~ Meditation Retreat
- Thursday, 9:30 AM-1 PM ~ Children's Interactive Singing Circle
- Thursday, 6:30-8 PM ~ Song and Conversation

Parking in the Alley behind Arlington Street Church

Please help keep our parking 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 25TH, 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!

Arlington Street's Humanist Group

Today ~ 1:00 PM, Stage Right Room

We'll begin discussing the upcoming General Assembly and what may be happening there from a Humanist Perspective. Also on deck: getting ready for World Environment Day on June 5th and Humanist events over the summer in Boston. All are welcome!

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

Tuesday, May 27th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

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

Buddha's Belly meets at 6 PM. Tonight we continue our discussion of *The Shambhala Principle: Discovering Humanity's Hidden Treasure* by

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Sakyong Mipham. Please read Part 3 (through chapter 16).

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

Wednesday, May 28th ~ 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

Wednesday, May 28th ~ 6:00-8:00 PM, Frothingham Library

For my money, Alice Munro is the best living writer in English. 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 a glorious encounter 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. Reading for May 28th: "Red Dress-1946," "Sunday Afternoon," "Dance of the Happy Shades."

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 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>.

SAVE THE DATE

Bridging Ceremony

Sunday, June 1st ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Next Sunday's service will include a special Bridging Ceremony for children and youth graduating or moving to a new school. Please contact Laura Evonne if your child is bridging and would like to participate.

Ice Cream Social

Sunday, June 1st ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

The staff of Arlington Street Church sweetly invites you to an ice cream sundae social to thank you for your gifts of love, service, and generosity! Enjoy delicious ice cream, sherbert, and sorbet. We thank JP LICKS for their continuing support!

Portable sandwiches will also be served, so we can all head to the Hunnewell Chapel for our annual meeting!

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

This Week

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 Room
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall

Monday, May 26, 2014

No congregational events

Tuesday, May 27, 2014

6:00 PM Buddah's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
*6:30 PM Connections Group ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, May 28, 2014

*12:00 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM The Wednesdays: Alice Munro ~ Frothingham Library
*6:30 PM BTWWDA Workshop ~ Perkins Room

Thursday, May 29, 2014

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room
*8:00 PM Connections Group ~ Perkins Room

Friday, May 30, 2014

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, May 31, 2014

No congregational events

Sunday, June 1, 2014

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
9:30 AM Joining Ceremony ~ Hunnewell Chapel
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
12:30 PM Annual Corporation Meeting ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM Violin and Piano Concert ~ Hunnewell Chapel

* 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



Annual Corporation (Congregation) Meeting

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

***Vote required**

*Membership Update

*Elections

- Prudential Committee (3-year term)
Dave Erbe, Mary Marcel Tina Rose
 - Co-Moderators (1-year term)
Desmond Ravenstone and Tori Bell
 - Treasurer (1-year term)
Susie Nacco
 - Clerk (1-year term)
Doc Kinne
 - Nominating Committee (1-year term)
Art Nava, Chair, Vincent Licenziato, Charles Howes
Shane McBride, Barb Seidl
 - Clara Barton & Mass Bay UUA District Delegate
Rachel Corey
- Building the World We Dream About
Update/*Charter approval 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

Note: If you would like childcare during this meeting, please contact Laura Evonne Steinman, so that she will know how many teens to hire (les@ascboston.org).

Concert: Masterpieces of European & American Music

Sunday, June 1st ~ 7:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Dr. Vera Rubin (violin) and Arlington Street's own, Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan (piano) will perform a program of European and American masterpieces for violin and piano. The program will include compositions by Grieg, de Sarasate, Gershwin, Beach, Saint-Saens, and others. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students. Tickets can be ordered at 617-320-2340.

Flower Communion Sunday

Sunday, June 8th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Our annual Flower Communion service is coming up! The Flower Communion is a ritual created by Rev. Norbert Capek, who founded the Unitarian Church in Czechoslovakia. He introduced this special service to that church on June 4, 1923. It honors the divinity within each of us through the sharing of flowers. Please bring a flower to share on Sunday, June 8th!

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

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