

New Member Class

Wednesdays, October 6th & October 13th ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room

ASC invites all interested newcomers to a "New Member Class" which meets twice on consecutive Wednesday evenings. Please sign up by e-mailing polly@pollylatham.com. Hope to see you there!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, September 1st ~ 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 will be a \$10 charge that will go to the church.

Homecoming Sunday

Sunday, September 12th

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie, and our choir are on vacation and will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 12th. Please bring a little water from your summer travels for our water communion celebration!

Whether a long-time member, a regular worshipper or a first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you to this morning's service.

The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys. Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth. Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our joys and concerns, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts. Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience together here is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

"The living tradition we share draws from many sources including direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces that create and uphold life."

This is the first of the six sources of Unitarian Universalism from which our living tradition draws. To read all six sources, as well as the seven principles of our free faith, please see the Our Faith brochure in the pew rack.

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Church School is not held during the summer but will resume weekly, beginning Sunday, September 12th.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. Accessible entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. Braille hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE MEMBERS ARE:

Rob Cotta / Doug Fiero (chair) / Danny Fournier
Carmen Griggs / Mark MacDonnell /
Karl Paulnack / Deb Pontes / Bob Sessions
Mickey Randazza.

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Paul Dakin (council chair) / Samuel Gloyd &
Diana Miller (co-moderators) / David McClain
(clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer).



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH, 2010

Everyone is encouraged to hum or sing along during the prelude, offertory, and postlude!

PRELUDE

Selected pieces for pianoAaron Copland (1900-1990)

Story of Our Town, Conversation, Midday Thoughts,

In Evening Air, Midsummer Nocturne

Molly Wood, piano

CHALICE LIGHTING

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

*HYMN 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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."

Spirit Of Life (Hymn 123)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

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.

Directory

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***HYMN 21**

For the Beauty of the Earth

SERMON

Reawakening to Joy John Markham O’Connor

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

The Sunken Cathedral *Claude Debussy (1862-1918)*
Molly Wood, piano

***HYMN 29**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

Minuet No. 5, H IX:11 *Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)*
Molly Wood, piano

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

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH, 2010

All Are Welcome

**WE ARE GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US THIS MORNING FOR WORSHIP!
THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH
AFFIRMS THE INHERENT WORTH AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON.
WE CELEBRATE UNITY IN DIVERSITY.**

This morning, we invite you to:

1. Fill in the Welcome Card and place it in the collection plate;
2. Join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall;
3. Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
4. Please come back again soon!

Today’s Speakers

JOHN MARKHAM O’CONNOR is a 20 year resident of Boston and a member of Arlington Street Church. When not preaching from the pulpit John, an attorney and realtor, sells homes in Boston’s historic downtown neighborhoods. In his sermon he will offer his thoughts on the importance of allowing yourself to be known within the community as a first step towards spiritual growth.

Coming Up – September 5th

SHALOM: Towards a Theology of Wholeness... Desmond Ravenstone

Join ASC member **DESMOND RAVENSTONE** as he delves into the meaning behind this ancient world, and how we may use it to enrich our spiritual lives, both as individuals and as a community.



Summer Worship Highlights

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let’s gather downstairs for coffee, comestibles, and community! Proceeds from Sandwich Board sales support church program income. Let’s build community over coffee, soup, sandwiches, and desserts.

Woody needs help this summer making sandwiches for coffee hour. See Woody in the kitchen around 9am any Sunday if you can lend a hand.

Summer Notes

General Assembly (GA) Summary

The 2010 General Assembly of Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations in Minneapolis was more than usually filled with important and difficult decisions. In addition to inspiring worship, fantastic speakers and edifying programs, the business agenda was very busy. Here is a summary of the major items:

- The 2012 GA in Phoenix, AZ will be a “Justice GA”, with business held to a minimum in favor of public social justice witness and action, in protest of SB1070.
- The Congregational Study and Action Item for the next 3 years is Immigration as a Moral Issue
- The Actions of Immediate Witness are:
 - Oppose Anti-Immigrant Measures at the State Level (Arizona Law SB 1070)
 - Gulf Coast Environmental and Economic Justice 2010
 - Clean Up the Clean Energy Bill
- A Statement of Conscience on Peacemaking was adopted. It calls us to take specific actions to create peace in our world, society, congregations, families and ourselves.

Go to UUA.org for more information, ask any of the delegates (Doug Fiero, Abby Houseknecht, Allison Palm, Sarah Richards, Heleni Thayer, Mark Watanabe) about their experiences, and watch for a GA follow up workshop this fall. This is an exciting time for us to “walk the walk” of our UU principles--let’s get started!

Arlington Street Church’s Summer Calendar

During summer, life at Arlington Street Church slows down and *Inside Arlington Street Church* is published in this leaner format. Until Homecoming Sunday Service (September 12th), the best way to stay informed on all of the church’s activities is to visit our website, www.ASCBoston.org and click on “Calendar”. Our facilities manager keeps it up to date.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

- Dan Moon, *Lead Usher*
- Doug Fiero, *Lead Greeter*
- John Markham O’Connor, *Guest Speaker*
- Lois Hartsough, *Candles Coordinator*
- Mark MacDonnell, *Assistant Treasurer*
- Mika Ellen Orzech, *Worship Coordinator*
- Rob Cuddi, *Assistant Treasurer*