

Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – NOVEMBER 26, 2017

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Simply drop it into the offering plate, or hand it to an usher after the service.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

Email _____

Spouse/Partner _____

Children's Name(s) & Age(s) _____

- I/we are visiting for the first time.
- I/we have been attending ASC for _____
- I/we would like a permanent name tag(s) for Sunday worship.
(Name tags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
- How did you hear about Arlington Street?

I prefer to be contacted by:

- Mail Phone Email No preference

I would like to know more about:

- Membership Classes/Joining ASC Choir/Music
- Social Action Children's Religious Education
- Adult Religious Education (Zen Center, The Wednesdays Literary Salon, Kundlini Yoga, Intersectional Book Group. etc.)
- Young Adult Group Other _____

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Darrell Waters*
Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*
Lead Greeter, *Queen Cheryl*
Lead Usher, *Kevin Terrell*
Worship Coordinator, *John O'Connor*
Assistant Treasurers, *Nancy George & Paul Babbitt*

Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting-edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

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

THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:

Al Ingram (chair) / Rick Cresta (vice-chair) / Joe Alen Dan Brotman / Lois Hartsough / Eve Lauria Deb Pontes / Ted Rudinsky / Connie Scanlon

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Art Nava (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Gaby Whitehouse (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk)

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.

TIFFANY WINDOWS

The 2015 restoration of Arlington Street Church's Tiffany stained glass windows was made possible through the generous support of this congregation, an anonymous donor, and the George B. Henderson Foundation. The guided tour program for our historic church and its unique Tiffany stained glass windows is closed for the winter and will open again in the spring of 2018. More information is available at www.asctiffany.org.

ALLELUIA!

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

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."

Staff Directory

Parish Ministers

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, *Senior Minister*
Rev. George G. Whitehouse, *Minister at Large*
Beth Robbins,
Interim Director of Family Ministry
Erica Rose Long,
Interim Assistant Director of Family Ministry
Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital

Community Ministers

Dr. Arthur Judge,
Hospital Chaplain, retired
Rev. Clyde Grubbs,
Spiritual Director
Rev. Fred Small,
Minister for Climate Justice
Rev. Joanna Lubkin,
Chaplain, Wellesley College
Rev. Vera O'Brien,
Chaplain, Brigham and Women's Hospital

Intern Ministers

Karlene Griffiths Sekou,
Black Lives Matter, Boston
Liz Weber,
UU Church of Reading, Massachusetts

Music

Mark David Buckles, *Director of Music*
Xuan He, *Organist and Pianist*
Rodger Clinton Vine, *Artist in Residence*

Choir Section Leaders

Katie Elledge, *Soprano*
Katherine Maysek, *Alto*
Daniel Rosensweig, *Tenor*

Administration

Jeffrey Bouchard, *Congregational Administrator*
Adam Berman, *Bookkeeper*
Brad Nobles, *Sexton*
Laurinda O'Connor, *Publications*

All staff members may be reached through the church office

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ARLINGTON
STREET CHURCH
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH, 2017

Unitarian Universalist PRINCIPLES

1. The inherent WORTH and DIGNITY of every being
2. JUSTICE, EQUITY, and COMPASSION in all relations
3. ACCEPTANCE of one another and encouragement of SPIRITUAL GROWTH
4. A free and responsible search for TRUTH and MEANING
5. The right of CONSCIENCE and the use of the DEMOCRATIC process
6. The goal of world community with PEACE, LIBERTY, and JUSTICE for all
7. RESPECT for the INTERDEPENDENT WEB of which we are a part
8. Building BELOVED COMMUNITY by dismantling racism and oppression within ourselves and our world

Arlington Street Church
Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

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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 end of greetings.

PRELUDE

Improvisation on *Amazing Grace*
Mark David Buckles, organ

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

Amaze Me Tylan Greenstein
Joanna Lubkin, vocals
Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals

*GREETINGS

*HYMN 21

For the Beauty of the Earth

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: *Barbara Pescan*
music: *Bart Bradfield*

May the long - time_ sun shine up - on_ you,
All ____ love sur - round you, And the pure ____
light with - in_ you guide ____ your way
on, guide ____ your way on.

At this time, all children are welcome to join the Children's Religious Education program!

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

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)
text adapted: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*
music arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Open my heart to be a sanctuary
All made holy, loved and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

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| 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. |
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*HYMN 77

Seek Not Afar For Beauty
sung to the tune of Hymn 164 The Peace Not Past Our Understanding

SERMON

Reuniting with Awe Rev. Joanna Lubkin

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Somewhere Over the Rainbow text: *E.Y. Harburg* (1896 - 1981)
music: *Harold Arlen* (1905 - 1986)
What a Wonderful World *Bob Thiele* (1922 - 1996)
and *George David Weiss* (1921 - 2010)
arrangement: *Israel Kamakawiwo'ole* (1959 - 1997)
Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals
Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the larger community – half of the offering is shared



with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

Rev. Kim; Beth Robbins, Interim Director of Family Ministry; and the Arlington Street Choir are off today. They look forward to seeing you next Sunday!

OFFERTORY

Two Rivers *Larry Unger* (b. 1951)
Julie Metcalf, violin
Mark David Buckles, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 1064

Blue Boat Home

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*RECESSIONAL *(sung twice; please join in!)*

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arranged: *Mark David Buckles*

*When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, walk humbly in God's care.*

POSTLUDE

Improvisation
Mark David Buckles, piano

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

In preparation for Mitten Tree Sunday on December 10th, today's CRE class is dedicated to exploring this unique Unitarian Universalist tradition. Children are invited to join Erica and Fishey in the Perkins Room to assemble our mitten tree and to learn why we decorate with hats, scarves, and gloves.

Allie and Lena are available in the nursery to care for babies and small children. To find the nursery, go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery is on your left before the stairs.

November Share the Plate: Only a Child

Only a Child, founded in Guatemala City in 1994 by Arlington Street member George Leger, maintains a shelter and carpentry shop and insures an education for street kids.

The shelter, housing up to a dozen guys at a time, is far more than a place to sleep; it provides a surrogate family in which the youth are taught responsibility and accountability and develop confidence and self-esteem.

All of them work, many in the on-site shop, where they learn carpentry skills and produce finely crafted cedar boxes they sell to support the program.

They also go to school. In a bid to maximize the kids' chances to leave the streets once and for all, we sponsor their tuition at high-quality independent schools and at university.

Thank you for your generosity!