

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Bay Windows

Arlington Street Church staff, members, and friends

Arlington Street Youth ~ Anna and Maya Cooleybeck,
Jamie and Jessye Crawford, Jess and Allie Dagg

Ushers ~ Ellen Spencer (lead); Queen Cheryl Thieret; Dave Dagg and
Stacey Sacks; Susie Nacco; Stephen Vorenberg and Kerry Marshall;
Peter Zalewski; Nikki Derome and Suzanne Gaverich, Michael and
Maureen Peterson; David Janero and Jeffrey Thomson;
& all our ushers

Assistant Treasurers ~ Gail Jennes and Alma Antoniotti;
Paul Babbitt; Dave Erbe; Carol Fisher; Nancy George;
Dennis Haley; Philip Roberts; Scott Schroeder; Ellen Spencer;
and our Treasurer, Susie Nacco

Arlington Street Church Choir and Soloists

Polly Latham, Mickey Randazza, Martin Anderson
for the pointsettias and beautiful greenery,
and David Schuman for the exquisite pulpit wreath

YOU, for your radiant presence here this evening!

Welcome to Arlington Street Church

Please take a moment to complete this card and drop it into the offering plate, so that we may welcome you more fully!

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

E-mail _____

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

- I/we are visiting for the first time.
 I/we have been attending ASC for _____
 How did you hear about Arlington Street?

I would like to know more about:

- Membership Classes/Joining ASC Choir/Music
 Social Action Children's Religious Education
 Adult Religious Education & Connections (ASC's small group ministry)
 Young Adult Group Other _____

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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:

Alex Frost (chair) / Greg Haig (vice-chair)
Christine Curtiss / Dave Erbe / Mary Marcel
Kerry Marshall / Dan Moon / Tina Rose
Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Tori Bell & Desmond Ravenstone (co-moderators)
Doc Kinne (clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)

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.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

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."

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Welcome Visitors!

Thank you for coming this evening! We invite you to return on Sunday mornings at 11:00 for a wonderful hour — the Soul of Sunday. We gather for beautiful music, singing and silence, candles of sorrow and joy, and a sermon from Rev. Kim. Arlington Street is home to spiritual seekers of many diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. You are truly welcome in this beloved spiritual community!

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 2014

CHRISTMAS EVE BY CANDLE LIGHT

5:00PM



And now,
let us allow Christmas
to overtake us
in all our haste
and unpreparedness
and renew the miracle of love
once again
in our lives

W.H. Auden, *Christmas Oration*, "For the Time Being"

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Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

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PRELUDE

Selection of Christmas Carols and Songs arr. *Joe Della Penna*

Joe Della Penna, piano

Offertoire sur Deux Noels *Alexandre Guilmant* (1837-1911)

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

INTROIT

Angels from the Realms of Glory ... arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

text: *James Montgomery* (1771-1864); music: *Henry Smart* (1813-1879)

*PROCESSIONAL CAROL

O Come, All Ye Faithful arr. *Sir David Willcocks* (b. 1919)

O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye
to Bethlehem;

Come and adore Him,
Born the King of angels;
O come let us adore Him...
Christ the Lord.

Lo, humble shepherds,
hast'ning to His cradle,
Leaving their flocks
in the fields, draw near.

We, too, with gladness,
Thither bend our footsteps;
O come let us adore Him...
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens
of heaven above!

“Glory to God!
Glory in the Highest!”
O come let us adore Him...
Christ the Lord.

WELCOME AND GREETINGS Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

CHORAL RESPONSE

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing text: *Charles Wesley* (1707-1788)

music: *Felix Mendelssohn* (1809-1847); arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

CHALICE LIGHTING

The Truth About Reindeer

Anna and Maya Cooleybeck, Jamie and Jessye Crawford,
Jess and Allie Dagg

*CAROL

We Three Kings arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

text and music: *Rev. John Henry Hopkins* (1820-1891)

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar.
Field and fountain,
moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

Chorus:

O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading,
still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown him again,
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign.

Chorus

Glorious now behold him arise,
King and G*d and sacrifice.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Earth to the heav'ns replies.

Chorus

CHRISTMAS EVE EXTRAVAGANZA

The Gifts of Christmas Laura Evonne Steinman and Elves

*CAROL

Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer text: *Robert May* (1905-1976)

music: *Johnny Marks* (1909-1985)

Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer
had a very shiny nose.
And if you ever saw him,
you would even say it glows.

Then one foggy Christmas Eve
Santa came to say:
"Rudolph with your nose so bright,
won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"

All of the other reindeer
used to laugh and call him names.
They never let poor Rudolph
join in any reindeer games.

Then all the reindeer loved him
as they shouted out with glee,
Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer,
you'll go down in history!

*READING Jamie Crawford

Luke 2:1 - 20

CANTICLE

O Holy Night text: *Placide Cappeau* (1808-1877)

trans. *John S. Dwight* (1813-1893)

music: *Adolphe C. Adam* (1803-1856)

arr. *Mark David Buckles* (b.1980)

Julie Gregorio, soprano; Grace Allendorf, mezzo soprano

SERMON

The Wonder that's Keeping the Stars Apart

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Jesus, bleibet meine Freude (Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring)

Chorale from Cantata BWV 147

text: *Martin Janus* (1620-1682)

music: *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685-1750)

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

Christmas Time Is Here *Vince Guaraldi* (1928-1976)

Joe Della Penna, piano

CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent Night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child,
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace...

Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia,"
Christ the Savior is Born!...

Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light,
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth...

*CAROL

Joy to the World!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room
And heaven and nature sing..

Joy to the earth! The savior reigns:
Let hearts their songs employ.
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy...

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And make the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love...

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

Follow the Star

Anna and Maya Cooleybeck, Jamie and Jessye Crawford,
Jess and Allie Dagg

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (please join in!)

We Wish You a Merry Christmas .. *Trad. 16th Century English Carol*

We wish you a Merry Christmas (x3)

and a Happy New year.

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

POSTLUDE

Postlude on Mendelssohn (Hark! the Herald Angels Sing)

Sir David Willcocks (b. 1919)

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

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

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!