



**ARLINGTON
STREET CHURCH**
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST, 2016

Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

Ferma l'ali *George Frideric Handel* (1685 - 1759)

Andrew Altenbach, piano

CHALICE LIGHTING

In A World Filled with Darkness *Douglas John Traversa*

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

***HYMN 21**

For the Beauty of the Earth

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.

Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.

Y al corazón,
cántale tu compasión.

Sopla al volar,
sube en la mar;

Hasta moldear
la justicia de la vida

Arráigame,
libérame,

Fuente de Amor, ven a mí,
ven a mí.

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.*

RESPONSIVE READING 632

Litany of Atonement

***HYMN 318**

We would be One

SERMON

Peace Treaty II Rev. Vera O'Brien

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 287 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. *Thank you for your stewardship and support!*

OFFERTORY

La fille aux cheveux de lin Claude Debussy (1862 - 1918)
Andrew Altenbach, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***HYMN 170**

We Are a Gentle Angry People

***BENEDICTION 694** Frederick E Gillis

POSTLUDE

Beruft Gott selbst from BWV 88

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Andrew Altenbach, piano

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST, 2016

All Are Welcome

We are glad you have joined us this morning for worship!

This morning, we invite you to:

- * Fill in the Welcome Card and place it in the collection plate;
- * Join us for coffee and a light lunch in the Parish Hall;
- * Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
- * Please come back again soon!



TODAY'S SPEAKER

Rev. Vera O'Brien is Board Certified Chaplain at Brigham and Women's Hospital. In addition to serving patients and families, she co-leads a small group of volunteers and is representing spiritual care in a joint Psychiatry/Spiritual Care research project. Rev. Vera is a Community Minister and our former Lifespan Educator. She is a proud graduate of Meadville Lombard Theological School (a UU seminary) and was joyfully ordained at ASC.



SPEAKING ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH

The Great Equalizer Erica Rose Long

Horace Mann, Massachusetts politician, reformer, and past member of this congregation, said that education is "the great equalizer." Is this true? As a community of faith that values learning and the responsible search for truth and meaning, are we willing to acknowledge the ways in which education can be both freeing and oppressive?

Erica Rose Long served as the children's religious education assistant at Arlington Street Church from 2013-2016. A recent graduate from Harvard Divinity School, Erica will begin a chaplaincy residency at Massachusetts General Hospital in September.

SUMMER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



SUMMERTIME AT ARLINGTON STREET

Every Sunday through Labor Day, a different member of the Arlington Street community will be preaching, while Rev. Kim, Beth, Mark David, and Laura Evonne are away on summer break. Should you need a minister over the summer, please call the church office at 617-536-7050. The admin staff is always here for you; Jeffrey, and Brad are glad to help! Happy summer, one and all!

During summer, life at Arlington Street Church slows down and *Inside Arlington Street Church* is published in this leaner format. Until Homecoming Sunday Service on September 11th, the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar." Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, keeps it current.



CHILDCARE DURING SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES

The formal CRE program begins again on Sunday, September 11th. Thanks in advance to Allie Dagg, an Arlington Street youth, who will be providing childcare again this summer. We are thrilled to have her back! Allie can be found in the "kids" box pew in the front of the sanctuary. We ask that older children/youth stay with their friends/families during the service. Very young children can either stay in the service or use the nursery where the service is piped in.



COFFEE HOUR

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, a light lunch, and community!



UNCOMFORTABLE CONVERSATIONS

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

The Transformation Team would like to offer a time and space to continue the conversation about developing an anti-racist worldview. At the January 9th workshop, we learned about the "Uncomfortable Conversations" which have been held at the First Unitarian Universalist Church of New Orleans. We hope to hold these conversations monthly at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome!



KUNDALINI YOGA CLASS

Every Wednesday ~ 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 charge that goes to the church. First class is free!



CAR DONATIONS MADE EASY!

Start your summer off on the right track by donating a vehicle.

If you are finally splurging on that new vehicle, donate your trade-in to Arlington Street. Just click the link below or call 855-500-RIDE (7433). www.cardonatingiseasy.org/donate/?CharityID=4038



JOIN THE ARLINGTON STREET CHOIR!

Every Thursday starting September 8th ~ 7:00 PM, Clarke Room

Experience the spiritual practice of communal singing! Take just a couple of hours out of your week to create something beautiful, make friends, and add more music to your life! Musicians and non-musicians are welcome—we are a mix of professionals and amateurs. All are welcome!



CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WANTS YOU!

Would you enjoy assisting behind the scenes, sharing a story or your spiritual practice, going on a field trip, leading a sex ed class, holding babies, building with legos, or digging in the dirt? If the answer is yes, please contact Laura after Labor Day for more information at CRE@ASCBoston.org.



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH VISITS THE ISLAMIC CENTER OF BOSTON! *SPECIAL TOUR FOR ARLINGTON STREET MEMBERS & FRIENDS*

Sunday, September 18th ~ 2PM, 100 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury

Join Rev. Kim, our Transformation Team for Racial Justice and our Social Action Team in this wonderful opportunity to tour the Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center (ISBCC) and meet members of the Muslim community in Boston. Their vision is to build a community of leaders rooted in the Islamic tradition who are committed to American ideals and empowered to serve the common good. For info on ISBCC, please visit www.isbcc.org.

We need to let the ISBCC know how many people are coming. Please RSVP to Jeffrey Bouchard in the church office (jbouchard@ascboston.org).

Children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Out of respect for their traditions, please dress modestly (no skin-tight clothing; arms and legs covered). The Center is across the street from the Roxbury Crossing T stop on the orange line. If you need a ride, or can provide a ride, please let us know. Please visit their web site for directions. All are welcome!



Homecoming Sunday

Sunday, September 11th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie; our Music Director, Mark David Buckles; the choir; our Religious Educator, Laura Evonne Steinman; and our Intern Minister, Beth Robbins will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 11th. Please bring a little water from your summer travels for our water communion celebration!

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, *Rev. Vera O'Brien*

Music, *Andrew Altenbach*

Worship Coordinator, *Joanne Lubkin*

Candles Coordinator, *Patrick Coolleybeck*

Lead Greeter, *Jenn Britt*

Lead Usher, *Ellen Spencer*

Assistant Treasurers, *Paul Babbitt and Ellen Spencer*