



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD, 2015

Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

Voluntary in D *John Stanley* (1712-1786)
Tyler Turner, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Our Doors are Open Herb Tyson
Our doors are open and our hearts are, too.
Whoever you are, we've been expecting you.
All are welcome here. So please come in.
As we gather together, let our service begin.

CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND GREETINGS

***HYMN 188**

Come, Come, Whoever You Are

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.	Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.	Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;	Sopla al volar, sube en la mar;
Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.	Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;	Arráigame, libérame,
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.	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.*

***HYMN 159**

This Is My Song

HOMILY

Become Love Liz Weber

SONG

Until Tolerance Becomes Love Herb Tyson

HOMILY

Holding Hands Liz Weber

SONG

Holding Hands Herb Tyson

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY

Will There Really Be a Morning? *Craig Hella Johnson* (b. 1962)

Tyler Turner, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***CLOSING HYMN**

Heart of It All Herb Tyson

It begins with the heart,
When you answer love's call.
And the reason we give,
And the reason we live,
Is for the heart of it all.

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

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

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Buckles*

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Voluntary in D *William Selby* (1738–1798)

Tyler Turner, organ

INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD, 2015

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 AND GUEST MUSICIAN

Liz Weber is excited to be back in the pulpit at ASC and especially excited to work in collaboration with Herb Tyson. As a seminarian at Andover Newton Theological School, Liz is preparing for a ministry as a hospital chaplain; this summer she was a chaplain intern at Boston Medical Center. Liz is also an American Sign Language interpreter. She specializes in medical, educational, and religious interpreting. Liz has been part of the ASC community since 2004.

Herb Tyson is a retired labor economist, who now devotes his time as a Unitarian Universalist troubadour. All of the proceeds from his music are donated to the Katie Tyson Fund for Youth and Young Adult Ministries, which is administered by the Unitarian Universalist Association. The fund is dedicated to nurturing the sparks of leadership in our youth and young adults. For more information, you can visit his singer-songwriter page on Facebook and at <http://www.uua.org/giving/funds/tyson-fund>.

SPEAKING ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH

We're All In This Together ~ Rick Cresta

Rick Cresta is a longtime member of ASC. He is a clinical social worker specializing in work with court-involved adolescents. He is also a part-time faculty member at Boston University's School of Social Work. In addition he provides consultation and training for several state and private agencies throughout the region. His passions include social justice, yoga, biking, and nature.

Rick's sermon will explore how we are all interconnected and how accepting this is in our individual and collective best interest.

SUMMERTIME AT ARLINGTON STREET

Every Sunday through Labor Day, a different member of the Arlington Street community will be preaching, while Rev. Kim, Mark, 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.

Until Homecoming Sunday Service on September 13th, the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar." Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, keeps it current.

SUMMER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

CHILDCARE DURING SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES

The formal CRE program begins again on Sunday, September 13th. This summer, Arlington Street youth and adult volunteers will be here to care for elementary-aged children during the service. Please meet them at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins.

We ask that older children stay with their families in the service. Very young children can either stay in the service or use the nursery where the service piped in.

COFFEE HOUR

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

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

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!

JOIN THE ARLINGTON STREET CHOIR!

Every Thursday starting September 10th ~ 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!

JOIN THE SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE IN THE FALL

Join the committee and bring a social action topic that concerns you: voting rights, climate change, economic inequality, gun violence, Citizens United, homelessness, etc. The committee will support you! In September, the committee resumes meeting on the second Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM. For more information, contact Art Judge at socialaction@ASCBoston.org. "The service begins when the service ends."

ANIMAL ISSUES GROUP

Do you believe in kindness toward animals, yet are uneasy about the ways animals are treated in today's world? Have you considered switching to a plant based diet, but making changes seems overwhelming? Do you feel compassion for others should be as inclusive as possible? If you would like to see animal issues as part of our social action initiatives, please email the social action committee at socialaction@ASCBoston.org, and place "animal issues" in the subject line. We can discuss how to make changes in our daily lives, support the national Unitarian Universalist Animal Ministry, and educate interested members of our congregation about living more mercifully, healthfully, and sustainably.

Elizabeth (Dinny) Fletcher is a lifelong animal lover, and current board member of the Boston Vegetarian Society. She also volunteers for the Massachusetts Animal Rights Coalition (MARC). Dinny would welcome any level of participation or discussion of animal issues.