



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 2008

Thanksgiving Sunday

We do member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association
covenant to affirm and promote • The inherent worth and dignity
of every person • Justice, equity and compassion in human relations •
Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our
congregations • A free and responsible search for truth and meaning •
The right of conscience • The goal of world community with
peace, liberty, and justice for all • The interconnected web of all
existence of which we are a part. The living tradition which we share draws
from many sources including Jewish and Christian teachings which call us
to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves. • Spiritual teachings
of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct
us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature. Grateful for the religious
pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen
our understanding and expand our vision. As free congregations we enter
into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

Arlington Street Church
Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether you are a longtime member, a regular guest, 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!

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

11/23/2008

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

E-mail _____

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 nametag(s) for Sunday worship.
(Nametags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
- Check here if you do *not* want to receive **Snapshot**, the e-newsletter of ASC with bi-weekly highlights of our community.

I prefer to be contacted by:

- Mail
- Phone
- E-mail
- No preference

I would like to know more about:

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

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PRELUDE Longwood Symphony Chamber Players
Quartet in C, Op. 33 No. 3 "The Birds" *E. J. Haydn*
I. Allegro Moderato (1732 – 1809)
II. Scherzo: Allegretto
IV. Finale: Rondo - Presto
Alistair Kok, violin; Peter Stein, violin;
Jane Perera, viola; Marc Pasciucco, cello

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 68**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

CHALICE LIGHTING Erick DuPree
Our flaming chalice, symbol of Unitarian Universalism, burns in celebration of the principles and purposes of our liberal faith.

THE DEDICATION OF SOPHIA ANNA JAFFE

child of Adam Jaffe and Elaina Durante
grandchild of Dan Jaffe and Ann Carpenter, Karen Durante,
and Anthony and Angela Durante

BLESSING

Kua Rongo Mai Koe *Ngapo Wehi* (Maori, New Zealand)
and *Mark David Buckles*

I have heard the voice of welcome greeting me,
Welcoming me as part of the wider world,
Rise up, welcome, welcome!

After the blessing, the children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick DuPree. All are welcome.

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY Desmond Ravenstone

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candles Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candles 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, and clicking on "Worship."

We Pray text: Spiritual “Balm in Gilead” and *Nick Page*
music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)
Ariana Valdes, soprano; J. Jacob Krause, baritone

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**

There’s Honey in the Rock trad. African American Spiritual,
arr. *Nick Page* (b. 1952), additional verses by *Nick Page*

Soloists: Dan Ross, Shana Obermeit, Roger Hale, Katie Tyson,
Molly Uline, Karen Tausch, J. Jacob Krause, Teresa Tam, and
Ariana Valdes

SERMON

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

Thanksgiving Every Day

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Domine, Ad Adjuvandum Me Festina *G. B. Martini*
(Lord, My God, Assist Me Now) (1706 – 1784)
Teresa Tam, soprano; Ariana Valdes, soprano;
Dan Ross, tenor; J. Jacob Krause, baritone;
Joe DiMarino, harpsichord; Alistair Kok, violin;
Peter Stein, violin; Jane Perera, viola;
Marc Pasciucco, violoncello

Today’s anthem is dedicated to Rev. Chris Buice and the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church.

We sing in honor of those wounded in this past July’s Knoxville tragedy: Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church member Tammy Sommers, and visitors John Worth, Joe Barnhardt, Jack Barnhardt, and Linda Chavez.

We sing in memory of those who died in the shooting: visitor Linda Kraeger, a member of Westside Unitarian Universalist Church in Knoxville; and usher Greg McKendry, a long time member of the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, who gave his life by standing in front of the gunman to protect other church members.

Our doors, and our hearts, will remain open. We stand on the side of love!

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

Quartet in C, Op. 33 No. 3 “The Birds”
III. Adagio ma non troppo

Haydn

***HYMN 67**

We Sing Now Together

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** (sung twice; please join in)

When You Walk From Here

text: *Linnea Good*

music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Mark David Buckles*

When you walk from here,
When you walk from here,
Walk with justice,
Walk with mercy,
And with God’s humble care.

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

Aria: Allegro from *Sonata II in D major*
Joe DiMarino, organ

Martini

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

...and Service is Our Gift

Nancy George, Assistant Treasurer
Peter Lowber, Head Usher
Desmond Ravenstone, Candles Coordinator
Rev. George Whitehouse, Lead Worship Coordinator
Peter Zalewski, Head Greeter

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

“The living tradition we share draws from many sources including Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God’s love by loving our neighbors as ourselves.”

This is the fourth 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

Children’s Religious Education classes are held during the 11:00 AM service downstairs in the Perkins Room. Infant care is provided in the nursery, right off the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to lead you and your children there. For further information about our Children’s Religious Education program, please contact the church office.

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: Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Doug Fiero, Danny Fournier, Carmen Griggs, Elizabeth Lindholm (Co-Chair), Mickey Randazza, Jenn Shaw, and Mark Watanabe. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Mary Ann Hardenbergh (vice-moderator), Karl Paulnack (Council Chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).

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