

Maureen Peterson is an ASC member who has lost her parents and her best friend to cancer and her brother and close friends to AIDS. Her vision of the Circle of Caring is to create a safe space in which to share our stories, discuss what might help, and just be together in support, in healing, in peace and always in love.

Announcements

Coming of Age Service

Sunday, February 1st ~ 11:30 AM, Sanctuary

For the past year, Liz Weber and Laura Evonne Steinman have been guiding four youth in our congregation through questions of faith and purpose. On February 1st, Maya Cooleybeck, Jordan Halley-Gillach, Lucy Humphrey, and Juanzi Rainer will be with Rev. Kim in the pulpit to share their credo statements and musical offerings. Let's join their families in celebrating this wonderful rite of passage!

A Study Group Based on UU Principles: Palestine and Israel

February 2015

Perhaps no other issue challenges our UU principles—to support human rights and social justice—than the Israeli Palestinian question. In a talk given during General Assembly last June, Rabbi Brian Walt said: “At its root it is a struggle insuring that everyone gets equal rights.” For those of you who are interested, a study group based on the UJME (UUs for Justice in the Middle East) curriculum on Justice in Israel-Palestine will start in February 2015. This curriculum will connect questions raised by this conflict with each UU principle. We will meet six times, and we will determine the best time for us to meet. If you want to be part of the group, please contact socialaction@ASCBoston.org.

Join the Arlington Street Choir!

Every Thursday ~ 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.

We rehearse every Thursday and are always accepting new members. We meet in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles at MBuckles@ASCBoston.org.

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 or Erica for more information at CRE@ASCBoston.org.

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2014 through June 2015

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an **TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE** of \$ _____
to support the work of Arlington Street Church for 2014-2015.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Pledge contributions may be made by cash, check, or credit card.

- If you are paying with cash via the Sunday collection, please mark the envelope with your name(s) and “**2015 Pledge Payment**”.
- Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church with “**2015 Pledge Payment**” written on the check memo line.
- If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete the following:

Accepted: Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm _____ yy _____ Zip Code: _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

- One payment for my entire pledge on July 10, 2014
- Equal monthly installments on the **10th of each month**
- I'm adding a pledge of SERVICE! Here's how I'd like to serve:**

SUGGESTION BOX

The staff and leadership of Arlington Street Church welcome your ideas, comments, and suggestions. If you have a thought to share about what works well or what could be improved, please send a message to Comments@ASCBoston.org. The Church's administrative assistant will pass your message on to the appropriate people. Please speak your “truths in love” and include your name and contact information so we can follow up. Thanks!

SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, (both congregational use and rentals), must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Administrative Assistant and Facilities Manager. Jeffrey is able to help you Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM. He can be reached by phone at 617.536.7050 ext. 14 or by e-mail at JBouchard@ASCBoston.org.

INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday “Inside” announcements **before Tuesday noon** to publications@ascboston.org. Laurinda O'Connor will receive your email and will compile the announcements for publication. Materials should be legible, signed, and fully composed. Space is limited, so some editing may be necessary. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

OUR CARING COMMUNITY—EMERGENCIES

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office, 617.536.7050. Our staff and ministers will be in touch to lend support.

SECURITY NOTE

This is an urban church. Please do not leave your valuables unattended!

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NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11TH, 2015

TODAY

Coffee Hour and Lunch

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

We welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To volunteer, and for more information about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen today, or contact Jon Ellertson.

Valentine's Day Opportunity from Only A Child

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Social Action Table

The Social Action Committee is sponsoring the sale of beautifully designed boxes made by the youngsters who live in the shelter and work in the carpentry shop of Only A Child. Only A Child, a program for Guatemalan street and poverty-stricken youth, was founded and is directed by ASC's own George Leger. The heart-shaped boxes are offered to you in time for Valentine's Day. The handsome boxes will be sold for the reduced price of \$25.00 and can be purchased today at the Social Action table. Proceeds from the sale and any additional donations will go to the Only A Child carpentry shop. Your support is greatly appreciated.!

Ebola Crisis Response: Arlington Street Teams Up with Stop Hunger Now!

Today ~ 1:00 PM, Parish Hall

Stop Hunger Now has mounted an Ebola crisis response, shipping meals and other critical supplies to Sierra Leone, Liberia, and Ghana. This afternoon, as part of the Dr. Martin Luther King Days of Service, we're teaming up with Stop Hunger Now and packaging 10,000 meals! Yes we can! All are welcome; all in!

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Inside Out Concert: Schubert Octet A Celebration of Human Connection

Today ~ 3:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

FREE, Donations Gratefully Accepted

The Inside Out concert series returns to Arlington Street Church with the Schubert Octet in F major, D. 803. Performers include several members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

The award-winning Inside Out approach helps concertgoers access their memories and activate their imaginations so that they can have more moving, meaningful, and personal experiences with classical music.

THIS WEEK

8th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service and Learning

King's "Letter from a Birmingham Jail"

Monday, January 19th ~ 5:45 PM, 28 Moreland St. Roxbury

Martin Luther King Jr. day isn't just a day off of work. It's a time to reflect on the history of struggles for justice and what they mean for our current movement.

In celebration of King's legacy and in solidarity with #BlackLivesMatter, Lucy Stone Co-op will be hosting our annual reading of King's "Letter from a Birmingham Jail." We'll begin reading the letter at 5:45 pm. You're invited to stay for dinner at 7 pm. Please RSVP to www.facebook.com/events/592812194152697.

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!

Arlington Street's Literary Salon, The Wednesdays, presents The Wednesdays: Shakespeare's Plays

Wednesdays, Jan. 21st and 28th, and Feb. 11th and 18th ~ 6:00 PM, Frothingham Library

Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim have come up with a scheme that we hope will excite you as much as it does us! The Wednesdays of January and February will be the first installment of a long series devoted to reading all 38 plays of Shakespeare. (Our plan is to alternate Shakespeare with other writers: Flannery O'Connor, Faulkner, Mary Oliver, et al. So we'll have a Shakespeare course, then another course, then the next Shakespeare course, then another course, etc.) This is a huge ambition and will take years to accomplish, but it's wholly appropriate, since Shakespeare is by universal consent not only the greatest writer in the English language, but one of the immortals of world literature. (His only peers in that lofty realm are Homer, Dante, and Cervantes.) Part of what this means is that, sometimes, we will read plays that are only apprentice-work, i.e., plays that are less than great (there are blessedly few of these), and we will need to practice a good deal of

We invite you to cut out this calendar or view the full calendar at ASCBoston.org

This Week

Sunday, January 18, 2015

*9:30 AM Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish Hall, Stage R.
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
1:00 PM MLK Stop Hunger Now ~ Parish Hall
3:00 PM Inside Out Concert ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Monday, January 19, 2015

No congregational events are scheduled.

Tuesday, January 20, 2015

6:00 PM Prudential Committee Meeting ~Perkins Room

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

*11:30 AM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM The Wednesdays ~Frothingham Library
7:00 PM Vets for Peace ~ Clarke Room

Thursday, January 22, 2015

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, January 23, 2015

5:00 pm Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, January 24, 2015

1:00 pm Boston New Sanctuary Movement ~ Chapel | Parish Hall

Sunday, January 25, 2015

*9:30 AM Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish Hall, Stage R.
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM Nominating Committee Meeting ~ Smith Room
12:30 PM Arlington Street Circle of Caring ~ Frothingham Library
12:30 PM Indulge 2015 Planning Meeting ~ Clarke Room

* Denotes closed meetings. This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation.

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patience with archaic language, attending to a plethora of footnotes, since there's no doing without them (unless you live in a world where you cut your meat with a bodkin and teach your children to say their orizons at bedtime). In other words, these Shakespeare courses are not for the faint of heart. But since it's generally true that "as ye sow, so shall ye reap," the rewards will be enormous. For many of us this will be one of the great experiences/accomplishments of our lives!

Shakespeare I: January 21: Richard III; January 28: The Two Gentleman of Verona; February 11: The Comedy of Errors; February 18: Titus Andronicus

5th Annual St. Patrick's Peace Parade Planning Meeting

Wednesday, January 21st ~ 7:00 PM, Clarke Room

5th Annual Saint Patrick's Peace Parade, the alternative parade for Peace, Equality, Environmental Stewardship, Jobs, Social and Economic Justice, is fast approaching. With only two months and a lot of work ahead, help is needed now more than ever. Please join in on this organizing meeting this Wednesday. All are welcome!

Forum on Immigrant Justice

Saturday, January 24th ~ 1 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Patricia Montes, Executive Director of Centro Presente, and Gabriel Camacho, American Friends Service Committee Northeast Regional Office's Project Voice Coordinator, will speak about President Obama's recent action on immigration, what it means for immigrants, and what we can do. We will also talk about Sanctuary, Hosting Networks, and any ideas people have. Please RSVP by sending an email to socialaction@ascboston.org. Sponsored by Boston New Sanctuary Movement. All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE

Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion and Arlington Street Zen Center

Tuesday, January 27th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and the Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

Buddha's Belly meets at 6 PM. Tonight, we continue our discussion of Pema Chödrön's *The Wisdom of No Escape and the Path of Lovingkindness*. Please read chapters 13-15.

Arlington Street Zen Center meets at 7 PM and includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are welcome!

Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Sundays Jan. 25th, Feb. 8th and 22nd ~ 12:30 PM, Frothingham Library

Are you battling illness, caring for someone who is ill, struggling with isolation or in the process of losing someone you love? Or have you already lost someone, and are you trying to cope with the heartbreak and anger that accompany loss and grief? If you are currently struggling, or have experienced this or any other type of life crisis and would like to share how you made it through, then please join the Caring Circle.