

INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH, 2017

If you are visiting Arlington Street Church or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall.

TODAY



Coffee Hour and Lunch

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community. Additional volunteers are always welcome to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To learn more about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen.



Long Strange Trip Film Series

A Journey through 2,000 Years of UU History

Part I: Today ~ 12:30 – 2:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Throughout 2017, Arlington Street historian, Holly Hendricks, will be screening all six episodes of Ron Cordes' documentary series tracing Unitarian Universalist history from early Christianity to the modern era. The first episode, which looks at the pre-Reformation roots of liberal religion, will be screened today and followed by a discussion. For more information, visit www.uuworld.org/articles/long-strange-trip-video



Coming of Age (CoA) Credo Writing

Today ~ 1:00 – 3:00 PM, Perkins Room

Coming of Age youth and mentors are gathering with Laura Evonne and Rev. Kim for an afternoon of Credo writing! Youth will begin drafting their "I Believe" statements, which will be shared with the congregation during a special CoA service on Sunday, June 4th.



Refuge Recovery

Every Sunday ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Refuge Recovery is a Buddhist path to recovering from addiction. All are welcome! For more information, please visit facebook.com/refugebackbay or email refugerecoverybackbay@gmail.com.

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2016 through June 2017

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an **TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE** of \$ _____ to support the work of Arlington Street Church for 2016-2017.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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

Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm _____ yy _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

One payment for my entire pledge.

Equal monthly installments on the 12th of each month.

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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of world literature. We'll need patience with archaic language while attending to a plethora of footnotes (there's no doing without them unless you live in a world where you cut your meat with a bodkin and your children 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 of our lives! All are welcome!

Black Lives Matter & Unitarian Universalism Lecture Series

Friday, March 31st ~ 6:00 PM, Rev. Mark Morrison-Reed at First Church in Boston (66 Marlborough Street)

Saturday, April 1st ~ 3:00 PM, Rev. Rosemary Bray McNatt at First Parish in Cambridge (3 Church Street)

Who were the African American leaders in Unitarian, Universalist, and Unitarian Universalist congregations? Why don't today's UUs know about our black ancestors? What is the relationship between this "black hole" in white consciousness and the contemporary Black Lives Matter movement? The Minns Lectures Committee is honored to host these leading UU historians, ethicists, and activists to present their research and address these critical questions. Each lecture will be followed by a wine and cheese reception. Learn more and register at no cost at www.minnslectures.org.

Get Ready for the Adventure of a Lifetime

Saturday, April 1st ~ 6:30 PM, Arlington Street Church

Indulge, Arlington Street's annual fundraising gala, is coming soon! The success of Indulge depends on dedicated volunteers who staff the event and those who donate auction items. Please stop by the Indulge table in the Parish Hall to volunteer and help make the 7th annual Indulge the best ever!

Following on last year's success, we're bringing back the raffle with even more fantastic prizes. Tickets are available now at the Indulge table during coffee hour (\$20/each) and will be sold at the event. The drawing will be at the end of the evening, and you do not have to be present to win.

A Syrian Refugee's Journey

Saturday, April 8th ~ 5:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Sarah Ezzat Mardini is coming to Arlington Street to share her incredible story. In the summer of 2015, Sarah and her sister climbed into a crowded rubber dinghy in Turkey bound for the Greek island of Lesbos. When the boat began taking on water, the sisters plunged into the sea and swam for hours, tugging the vessel toward shore. Their bravery and determination saved the lives of all 20 passengers onboard. Today, Sarah lives in Germany with her family and helps Syrian refugees in Greece rebuild their lives. Please RSVP through the Facebook event "A syrian refugee's journey of courage and hope."

Hate Crimes Hotline

Attorney General Maura Healey has launched a new hotline to help protect the basic civil rights of residents and visitors to Massachusetts. To report an incident of a bias-motivated threat, harassment, or violence, call 800-994-3228. Learn more at mass.gov/ago.

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THIS WEEK



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!



Pru in Review

Arlington Street's governing board, known as the Prudential Committee or "the Pru," has these updates to share from their meeting on February 21st:

- Physical improvements are underway, including painting and repair work outside the Perkins Room and the renovation of the Stage Right Room.
- The details of the relationship between the church and our new associated nonprofit organization known as the "Foundation for the Preservation of 20 Arlington Street" are under discussion.
- Final details for the March retreat are coming together, and it promises to be a fantastic event!
- Preservation architects, Hickox-Williams, have been retained to assist with construction of the new ramp.

As always, the complete minutes of the meeting are available upon request.



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

Tuesday, March 14th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

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

6:00 Buddha's Belly: We will continue our discussion of *The Book of Joy* by His Holiness The Dalai Lama and Bishop Desmond Tutu. Please read through the end of Day 1 (page 78).

7:00 Arlington Street Zen Center: Our gathering includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. If you'd like to join Rev. Kim and walk in the Public Garden (optional!), please dress for the weather. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are warmly welcome.



Spiritual Passion: Introduction to Anti-Racism

Sunday, March 19th ~ 12:30 – 2:15 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

What is racism? What is white privilege? Why do we say Black Lives Matter? Join the church's Arlington Street's Transformation Team for Racial Justice to learn more. All are welcome; bring your questions.



Creative and Organized? The Tiffany Team Needs You!

Help the Tiffany Window Team prepare to welcome guests for sanctuary tours this spring. We are planning to offer a self-guided mobile tour that highlights the rich history of Arlington Street Church and the story of our majestic Tiffany windows. We are looking for a volunteer to coordinate collecting the necessary materials, including scripts, recordings, and pictures. Ideally, this volunteer will also be a part of configuring the tour with the aid of a consultant or an easy to learn platform. If the idea of this fun and creative project sparks your interest, please contact Art Nava at office@ascboston.org. Thank you!

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

This Week

Sunday, March 12, 2017

*9:30 AM	Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Social Action ~ Carol Smith Room
11:00 AM	Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM	Children's Religious Education (CRE) - Nursery, Chapel, Perkins and Carol Smith Room
12:00 PM	Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM	History Film Series, Part 1 ~ Hunnewell Chapel
*1:00 PM	Coming of Age (COA) ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM	Refuge Recovery ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Monday, March 13, 2017

*6:30 PM	Internship Committee ~ Carol Smith Room
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Tuesday, March 14, 2017

6:00 PM	Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM	Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, March 15, 2017

6:00 PM	Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
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Thursday, March 16, 2017

7:00 PM	Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room
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Friday, March 17, 2017

5:00 PM	Friday Night Supper Program (FNSP) ~ Parish Hall
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Saturday, March 18, 2017

No congregational events scheduled.

Sunday, March 19, 2017

*9:30 AM	Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM	Children's Religious Education (CRE) - Nursery, Chapel, Perkins and Carol Smith Room
12:00 PM	Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM	Spiritual Passion: Transformation Team ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM	Refuge Recovery ~ Hunnewell Chapel

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

For additional listings, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Judah Leblang: One-Man Show

One Man's Journey through the Late Middle Ages

Friday, March 24th ~ 8:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Writer/storyteller/columnist Judah Leblang presents a new version of his one-man show—One Man's Journey through the Late Middle Ages. The show, based on Judah's book *Finding My Place*, is a mostly humorous look at getting older and dealing with times when "man planned and God laughed." Tickets are \$15/\$12 for ASC members at the door. For more information, visit www.judahleblang.com or call 617-466-9637.



From Spirit with Love:

A Council Gathering of The Ancestors

March 25 – 26th ~ Roots and Wings Healing Arts, Natick

Join licensed psychologist and spiritual elder, Dr. Maria Michael, for this experiential workshop designed to promote physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual healing. Discover inner balance and alignment through ancient wisdom healing techniques including light, sound, touch, and energy. Learn more at www.drmariamichael.com.



Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Sundays, March 26th, April 9th & 23rd ~ 12:30 PM ~ Carol Smith Room

Are you battling illness, struggling with isolation, caring for someone who is sick or dying, or coping with grief after a loss? Please visit the Circle of Caring and join our community of support, peace, healing, and love. Facilitators Maureen Peterson and Lisa Kirk lend their significant personal and professional experience to create a safe space for sharing our stories and supporting one another through the crises of life.



Feed 20,000 in Two Hours

Sunday, March 26th ~ 1:00 PM, Parish Hall

Don't miss Arlington Street's 4th annual meal packaging event with Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now). This year we will be joined by our neighbors from Emmanuel Church and Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church for an all-ages assembly line! We will package 20,088 highly-nutritious, dehydrated meals that will be shipped across the globe to feed hungry people in dire circumstances.

Sign up now to join the assembly line and contribute to international hunger relief in this fun afternoon of hands-on service. Bring co-workers, friends, family, and neighbors of all ages! Donations are also welcome – a gift of \$29 covers the cost of 100 meals. Give \$100 and feed 345. To register for the event or make a contribution, please visit <http://events.stophungernow.org/ArlingtonSt2017>

Looking forward to seeing you on 3/26! Thank you for your support!



Arlington Street's Literary Salon, The Wednesdays: Shakespeare

Wednesdays ~ 6:00 PM, Frothingham Library

March 29th ~ Henry V

April 26th ~ Julius Caesar

April 12th ~ Much Ado About Nothing

May 10th ~ As You Like It

Prof. Alan Helms and Rev. Kim welcome you to the next installment of the Wednesdays Shakespearathon! Reading all 38 of Shakespeare's plays is admittedly a huge ambition, but Shakespeare is, by universal consent, not only the greatest writer in the English language, but one of the immortals