



## Pru in Review ~ March

The Prudential Committee is our governing board, made up of leadership elected by and from Arlington Street members.

The Pru reviewed or discussed reports on:

- Financial status
- Director of Family Ministry Search
- Foundation projects and grant applications
- Accessibility ramp project
- Strategic planning and the Next Steps Weekend

The Pru finalized the charter and members of the Endowment Placement/Line of Credit Task Force.

The Pru supported and recommended the ordinations of Beth Robbins, Liz Weber, and Erica Rose Long.



## Greeters Needed This Spring!

Do you want to meet people from all over the world? Would you enjoy sharing the beauty of our Tiffany Windows with others? If so, consider becoming a volunteer greeter with our Visitors Center! Greeters serve as friendly faces at the Arlington Street entrance, welcoming visitors and receiving donations. No experience is necessary, and scheduling is flexible!

Starting April 28th, we will open our doors for another great season of tours! The Visitors Center will be open on Sundays from 1:00 - 4:00 pm and Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm.

If you are interested or want to learn more, please contact Alissa Butler at [abutler@ascboston.org](mailto:abutler@ascboston.org) or 602-463-2282.



## New Member Class

*Spiritual Journey*, Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Perkins Room

Meet ASC, Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:30 PM, Clarke Room

*New Member Breakfast/Joining*, Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:30 AM, Hunnewell Chapel

All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our next two-session new member class. Rev. Kim joins us for the first session, where we share stories about our spiritual journeys and ask our burning questions. This class is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your relationship and knowledge of Arlington Street, and to discern whether you are ready to join. In our second session, we learn a little of Arlington Street's history, polity, and practices; and meet some of our illustrious leadership and staff. Please sign up at the Welcome Table in the parish hall after the service. *All are welcome!*



## Intersectional Book Group

Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup> ~ 5:30 - 7:00 PM, Frothingham Library

Join Rev. Kim for the seventh in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. For this gathering, we'll be reading *Women, Race & Class* by Angela Davis. All are welcome!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

There are many great Arlington Street Church events coming up this spring. Be sure to save the dates for:

- April 29<sup>th</sup>** Covenant Renewal Sunday
- May 6<sup>th</sup>** Ordination of Beth Robbins
- May 20<sup>th</sup>** Youth Bridging Ceremony
- June 9<sup>th</sup>** Pride!  
... and an evening Kirtan with Krishna Das

## ARLINGTON STREET MINISTRIES



### 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](mailto:MBuckles@ASCBoston.org).

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:JBouchard@ASCBoston.org).

### 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.

### INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements **before Tuesday noon** to [publications@ascboston.org](mailto: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.

### FINDING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET

**Main level: Hunnewell Chapel** is through the leather door to the right of the pulpit; the **nursery** is off the hallway outside the chapel; **Frothingham Library** is past the stairs and next to the Boylston Street entrance.

**Upstairs: Clarke Room** is up the stairs outside the nursery.

**Downstairs: Parish Hall** is the main room; **Carol Smith Room** is to the right of the stage; **Perkins Room** (Children's Religious Education) is just past the kitchen; **Program Room** is at the back of the Perkins Room.

### SECURITY NOTE

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

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# INSIDE

## ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

### NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

*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! Please visit the Arlington Street Cares Table (on your right as you enter the Parish Hall) to sign cards for those who have shared candles of sorrow and joy with us.

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.



### Cards Needed for ASCares!

The ASCares Cards table in the Parish Hall needs greeting cards! If you can contribute to the collection, sympathy, goodbye, thinking of you, get well, birthday, thank you, and blank cards (medium-to-larger size) would be very helpful. Please drop them at the ASCares table or leave them in the church office. Thanks so much!



### Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Today and Sundays, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, & June 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 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. Facilitator, Maureen Peterson calls on her significant personal experience to create a safe space for sharing our stories and supporting one another through the crises of life.



### Join the Meal Packing Assembly Line & Feed 20,000 this Afternoon!

Today ~ 1:00 PM, Parish Hall

Today is our 5th annual meal packaging event with Rise Against Hunger! With neighbors from Emmanuel Church and the ISKCON Temple, we are transforming the Parish Hall into an all-ages assembly line. Be part of the fun as we package 20,088 highly-nutritious, dehydrated meals to be shipped across the globe to hungry people in dire circumstances. Looking forward to a joyful afternoon of hands-on service in support of international hunger relief!

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## THIS WEEK

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

Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> ~ 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 (Book Group):* We continue Pema Chödrön's, *When Things Fall Apart: Heart Advice for Difficult Times*. Please read through Chapter 10. *All are welcome!*

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Director of Family Ministry Search Update**

The search for our new Director of Family Ministry is underway! Please help spread the word about this fabulous opportunity to join our church staff and bring the love and grace of Unitarian Universalism to the lives of families. Please check out the job description on the homepage of ASCBoston.org and consider passing it along to your networks. *Thank you!*

### **Arlington Street's Literary Salon, The Wednesdays: Shakespeare**

Wednesdays ~ 6:00 PM, The Vendome, 160 Commonwealth Ave.

(tell the doorman you're there to see Professor Helms)

April 18<sup>th</sup> ~ Othello; May 9<sup>th</sup> ~ King Lear; May 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ Macbeth

Professor Alan Helms says, "Some heavy going there but it will be glorious!" Join him and Rev. Kim at the sixth 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 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!*

*We invite you to cut out this calendar or view the full calendar at [ASCBoston.org](http://ASCBoston.org)*

## This Week

### Sunday, April 8, 2018

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| *9:30 AM | Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary                          |
| 9:30 AM  | Social Action Meeting ~ Carol Smith Room             |
| 11:00 AM | Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary                   |
| 11:15 AM | Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room        |
| 12:00 PM | Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall                  |
| 12:30 PM | ASC Circle of Caring ~ Carol Smith Room              |
| 12:30 PM | Tiffany Meeting ~ Program Room                       |
| 1:00 PM  | Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event ~ Parish Hall |
| 1:45 PM  | OWL ~ Clarke Room                                    |

### Monday, April 9, 2018

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| 6:30 PM | Search Committee ~ Perkins Room |
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### Tuesday, April 10, 2018

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| 9:00 AM | UU Advocacy Day ~ Parish Hall                  |
| 6:00 PM | Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel              |
| 7:00 PM | Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel |

### Wednesday, April 11, 2018

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| 6:00 PM | Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel                   |
| 7:00 PM | Finance Committee ~ Perkins Room                    |
| 7:00 PM | Ministerial Internship Committee ~ Carol Smith Room |

### Thursday, April 12, 2018

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| 7:00 PM | Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room |
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### Friday, April 13, 2018

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| 5:00 PM | Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall |
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### Saturday, April 14, 2018

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| 2:00 PM | Memorial Service for Drew Sexton ~ Hunnewell Chapel |
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### Sunday, April 15, 2018

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| *9:30 AM | Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary                   |
| 9:30 AM  | Social Action Meeting ~ Carol Smith Room      |
| 11:00 AM | Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary            |
| 11:15 AM | Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room |
| 12:00 PM | Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall           |
| 12:30 PM | ASC Circle of Caring ~ Carol Smith Room       |
| 1:45 PM  | OWL ~ 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.

*For additional listings, please visit [www.ASCBoston.org](http://www.ASCBoston.org)*



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### **Rev. Billy and the Stop Shopping Choir**

Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> ~ 7:30 PM, 75 The Great Road, Bedford MA

Enjoy an evening of music and laughter to benefit First Parish in Bedford's Sanctuary Program, which supports immigrants in fear of deportation. Tickets are \$10; no one will be turned away. Please visit [facebook.com/events/591663397853911/](https://facebook.com/events/591663397853911/). All are welcome!



### **Art & Spirit ~ Writing Workshop led by Karen Hering**

Sundays, April 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:45 PM, First Church in Boston, 66 Marlborough St.

In guided writing sessions, retreats, and workshops, and now in her award winning book *Writing to Wake the Soul*, Karen Hering invites us to engage writing as a spiritual practice and a tool for social change. Drawing from the wisdom of world religions and folklore, history, science, and literature, Karen's reflections and writing prompts will guide you in exploring your own life and articulating the difficult and illuminating questions of our time. To sign up and for more information, please visit [www.firstchurchboston.org/event/5741](http://www.firstchurchboston.org/event/5741)



### **The Wednesdays Literary Salon: Richard Wilbur with Professor Alan Helms & Rev. Kim**

*Final Session:* Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, The Vendome, 160 Commonwealth Ave. (tell the doorman you're there to see Professor Helms)

*A blurp from Professor Helms:* Richard Wilbur, who died last October at the age of 96, was one of the best American poets of his or any other generation. A complete master of poetic forms, he was always deft and poised and intelligent. And with the possible exception of Eliot, no one can match him for wit and grace and elegance. He has soul as well, but his skill is a more perennial attraction. Watching him perform is like seeing the king of acrobats at the peak of his career. Our second Poet Laureate (Robert Penn Warren was the first) and winner of innumerable awards, including a National Book Award and two Pulitzers, he also wrote lyrics for *Candide*, my candidate for best Broadway musical of all time. He was a brilliant translator as well, working with Russian, French, and Spanish writers among others. Here's a teaser for you, called *Exeunt*, that hints at his prowess:

Piecemeal the summer dies;  
At the field's edge a daisy lives alone;  
A last shawl of burning lies  
On a gray field-stone.

All cries are thin and terse;  
The field has droned the summer's final mass;  
A cricket like a dwindled hearse  
Crawls from the dry grass.

I've chosen 36 poems for our three meetings - a tidy dozen per session. Our text is Richard Wilbur: *New and Collected Poems* (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1988). Please be sure to get the correct title! To see which poems we'll be reading, please go to [www.ascboston.org/programs/ASCcenter/index.html](http://www.ascboston.org/programs/ASCcenter/index.html). Packets of these poems will also be available from Rev. Kim or in the church office.