## **TODAY**

## **Coffee Hour**

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service

The Sandwich Board is taking the day off, but we'll be back next Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> with a special brunch to honor Moms and Dads. Today, let's gather downstairs for some special refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service as part of Covenant Renewal. All are welcome. Many thanks to Cheryl, Queen of the Universe and her crew!

# Young Adult Group

Stage Right Room, immediately following the worship service

The Young Adult Group (ages 18 – 35) meets after the Sunday service for lunch in the Stage Right Room. You can purchase food from the Sandwich Board during Coffee Hour, or bring your own food. The Stage Right Room is the first room on your left after going down the stairs at the back of the sanctuary.

# **Children's Religious Education**

Perkins Room, during worship service

Today, Erick DuPree, religious educator, welcomes all children to Church School where the children will prepare the Ark of the Covanent. Children leave for Church School with the Children's Blessing printed in your order of service. Erick and the children will return to present the ark for Covanent Renewal during the service.

Church School gathers downstairs in the Perkins Room.

All are welcome!

Special Note: Church School is a peanut free zone.

## **At Your Service:**

- \* If you would like a large print order of service and hymns, or Brailled hymns
- \* If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- \* If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance

Any usher will be happy to help!

#### OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

"We covenant to affirm and promote respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part."

This is the seventh of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please turn a few pages into our hymnal, *Singing the Living Tradition*.

#### ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

#### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Church School begins every Sunday in the sanctuary to the front right. Children are sung out of service gathering downstairs in the Perkins Room, with an adjacent toddler space for parents with children ages 1-5. Parents with infants are invited to the Religious Education Office, right off the sanctuary, where a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office or see the religious educator.

#### 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 (vice chair) / Danny Fournier / Carmen Griggs Elizabeth Lindholm (chair) / Karl Paulnack Bob Sessions / Mickey Randazza.

#### OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Herbert Gleason (moderator) / Rob Cotta (vice moderator) / Mark MacDonnell (treasurer) Mark Watanabe (council chair) Carol Smith (clerk).

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SUNDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2010 COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY

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Arlington Street Church Boston, Massachusetts Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

# Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

# SUNDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2010 COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY

## **PRELUDE**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

#### WELCOME

## CHALICE LIGHTING

## CHURCH SCHOOL BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: Barbara Pescan
music: Bart Bradfield



The children are invited to leave for their classes with Sarah and JP.

All children are welcome!

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

Covenant Renewal ...... Mary Beth McInerney

# \*Hymn 131

Love Will Guide Us

# 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, and clicking on "Worship."

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY (Continued)

#### 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,

El amor es el espíritu

de nuestra congregación

Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.

Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:

Convivir en paz,

To speak our truths in love, Hablar nuestras verdades con amor, And to help one another. Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

# \*Hymn 331

Life Is the Greatest Gift of All

## SERMON

Astonishing Generosity...... Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas ...... music: Paul Halley (b. 1952) text: Maundy Thursday Rite, chant: Abdel Salaam, Yoruba & Khemitic Ubi caritas et amor Deus ibi est. Where there is charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has Congregavit nos in unum gathered us together. Christi amor. Oba ye, Oba yo batala. Praises to Obatala, ruler of the Oba ye, Oba yo O batala. Heavens. Praises to Yemenja, Oba ye, Oba yo Yemenja. ruler of the waters of life. Oba ye, Oba yo O Yemenja. Praises to Ra and Ausar, rulers of Oba ye, Oba yo O Ra ausar. the light and the resurrected soul.

## PROCESSION OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

# MUSIC FOR COVENANTING AND COVENANT RENEWAL 2010 – 2011

Selections from Aida ...... Giuseppe Verdi (1813-1901) Molly Wood, piano



## **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

Everyone is invited to fill out a Pledge Sheet, pledging a gift of financial support for July 1st, 2010 – June 30th, 2011. When you are ready, wherever you are seated, please walk to the rear of the sanctuary, proceed up the right-hand aisle to the front, place your Pledge Sheet in the Ark of the Covenant, and return to your pew, walking down the center aisle.

#### RECESSION OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

#### **OFFERTORY**

## **ENCORE: THE ARK RETURNS**

The announcement of today's Covenant Renewal pledge total!

#### \*Hymn 116

I'm On My Way

#### \*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION (sung twice; please join us!)

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**

Marche Triomphale ...... Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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

# PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

## Service is Our Gift

Mary Beth McInerney, Chair, Covenant Renewal John Markham O'Connor, Candles Coordinator George Whitehouse, Worship Coordinator