

## Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

If you have arrived with a baby or small child, welcome! If your baby is getting restless, there is a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your listening pleasure. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery will be on your left before the stairs.

- Pre-schoolers: meet Allie in the Chapel for a story about Springtime.
- Kindergarten-2nd graders: Spirit Play Group ~ meet Jessica and Lale in the Perkins Room for a story about Rev. William Ellery Channing
- 3rd-6th graders: UU Superheroes Group ~ meet Sarah C. to learn about Rev. Dana McLean Greeley and the consolidation of Unitarianism and Universalism
- 7th graders and up: meet Laura Evonne in the Parish Hall to work on the Friday Night Supper Program mural.

Erica is away this week and will be back Sunday, April 17th.

## April Share the Plate Recipients: Boston Marathon Charities

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We share half of the Sunday morning offering with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. April's Share the Plate will be shared equally with the causes of Arlington Street's charity runners for this year's Boston Marathon.

Nikki Derome will be running for The Hoyt Foundation, a nonprofit that aspires to build the individual character, self-confidence, and self-esteem of young people with disabilities through inclusion in all facets of daily life. Nikki runs as a member of Team Hoyt, founded by Dick and Rick Hoyt, the father-son wheelchair team that has inspired thousands of people, both disabled and able-bodied. Nikki runs in memory of her mother, Denise Derome.

Melissa Dlugolecki will be running for Team Leyden, raising funds for Boston Children's Hospital. Named in memory of Melissa's infant daughter, Leyden Saige Cournoyer, Team Leyden's mission is to positively impact others in the face of adversity and to help fuel research to prevent cases such as Leyden's while supporting the unmatched quality of care the hospital provides.

### Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Art Nava and Michael Hollister*  
Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*  
Lead Greeter, *David Scanlon*  
Lead Usher, *Mike Cournoyer*  
Worship Coordinator, *John O'Connor*  
Assistant Treasurers, *Alma Antoniotti and Gail Jennes*

### Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.

### OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting-edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

### CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

### THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:

*Tina Rose (chair) / Art Nava (vice chair)*  
*Rick Cresta / Alex Frost / Connie Scanlon*  
*Dave Erbe / Eve Lauria / Kerry Marshall*

### OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

*Susie Nacco (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Gaby Whitehouse (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk)*

### 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.

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available.

For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

### ALLELUIA!

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

### 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."

## Staff Directory

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## PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

### At Your Service:

- \* If you would like a large print order of service or hymnal or a Braille hymnal
- \* 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!***



ARLINGTON  
STREET CHURCH  
Unitarian Universalist



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SUNDAY, APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

## 7 Unitarian Universalist PRINCIPLES

1. The inherent **WORTH** and **DIGNITY** of every being
2. **JUSTICE, EQUITY, and COMPASSION** in all relations
3. **ACCEPTANCE** of one another and encouragement of **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**
4. A free and responsible search for **TRUTH** and **MEANING**
5. The right of **CONSCIENCE** and the use of the **DEMOCRATIC** process
6. The goal of world community with **PEACE, LIBERTY, and JUSTICE** for all
7. **RESPECT** for the **INTERDEPENDENT WEB** of which we are a part

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, APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

*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.*

## PRELUDE

Dear Prudence ..... *John Lennon* (1940 - 1980) / *Paul McCartney* (b. 1942)  
I Will  
Martha My Dear  
Nicholas Place, piano

## WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

On this day, over 30 congregations statewide are participating in a Faith Weekend of Action on behalf of Transgender Non-Discrimination. On this day, we light our chalice with prayers for smooth and quick passage of a bill that would protect our transgender siblings and uphold their dignity under the law. We pray for families and friends in our community to feel loved, safe, and welcome.

*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.*

## INTROIT

Sovereign and Transforming Grace .... text: *Frederick Henry Hedge* (1805 - 1890)  
music: *Jane M. Marshall* (b. 1924); arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Sovereign and transforming Grace,  
We invoke your quickening power;  
Reign the spirit of this place,  
Bless the purpose of this hour.

Holy and creative Light,  
We invoke your kindling ray;  
Draw upon our spirit's night,  
As the darkness turns to day.

To the anxious soul impart hope,  
All other hopes above;  
Stir the dull and hardened heart  
With a longing and a love.

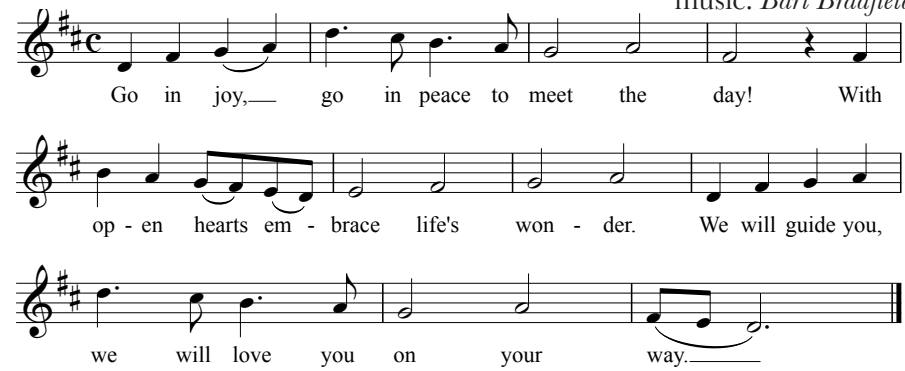
## GREETINGS

### \*HYMN 128

For All That Is Our Life

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

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



*At this time, all children are welcome to join the Children's Religious Education program!*

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary ..... *John W. Thompson* and *Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)  
text adapted: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*  
music arranged: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Open my heart to be a sanctuary  
All made holy, loved and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you

## 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 295

Sing Out Praises for the Journey

## SERMON

Forget Your Perfect Offering  
Joanna Lubkin, MDiv, Affiliated Community Minister

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## ANTHEM

Sing Me to Heaven ..... text: *Jane Griner*  
music: *Daniel Gawthrop* (b. 1949)

In my heart's sequestered chambers  
Lie truths stripped of poet's gloss.  
Words alone are vain and vacant and my heart is mute.  
In response to aching silence  
Memory summons half-heard voices,  
And my soul finds primal eloquence and wraps me in song.

If you would comfort me, sing me a lullaby.  
If you would win my heart, sing me a love song.  
If you would mourn me and bring me to God,  
Sing me a requiem, sing me to heaven.

Touch in me all love and passion,  
Pain and pleasure, grief and comfort.  
Sing me a lullaby, a love song, a requiem.  
Love me, comfort me, bring me to God:  
Sing me a love song, Sing me to heaven.

## OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY ..... Barbara Seidl

We share half of the morning's offering with a community partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. Over 300 pledging members and friends also support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

## OFFERTORY

Anthem ..... *Leonard Cohen* (b. 1934)  
Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals  
Julie Metcalf, violin and vocals

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### \*HYMN 118

This Little Light of Mine

### \*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

### \*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here ..... text: *Linnea Good*  
music: *Tom Witt*, arranged: *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.*

## POSTLUDE

Honey Pie ..... *John Lennon* (1940 - 1980) / *Paul McCartney* (b. 1942)  
Nicholas Place, piano

*Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie and Beth Robbins, Intern Minister, are off this week. They look forward to being back with us next Sunday.*



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