

Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – JUNE 3, 2012

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Simply drop it into the offering plate, or hand it to an usher after the service.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

E-mail _____

Spouse/Partner _____

Children's Name(s) & Age(s) _____

- I/we are visiting for the first time.
- I/we have been attending ASC for _____
- I/we would like a permanent nametag(s) for Sunday worship. (Nametags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
- Check here if you do *not* want to receive **Snapshot**, the e-newsletter of ASC with bi-weekly highlights of our community.

I prefer to be contacted by:

- Mail Phone E-mail No preference

I would like to know more about:

- Membership Classes/Joining ASC Choir/Music
- Social Action Children's Religious Education
- Adult Religious Education & Connections (ASC's small group ministry)
- Young Adult Group Other _____

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!

Service is Our Gift

Assistant Treasurers, Philip Roberts and Scott Schroeder
Candles Coordinator, Rev. Rebecca Froom
Lead Greeter, Rachel Corey
Lead Usher, Philip Roberts
Worship Coordinator, Liz Weber
Cover Photo, Jack DiSilvio
Pulpit Flowers, Laura Evonne Steinman

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 MEMBERS ARE:

*Art Nava & Deb Pontes (co-chairs) / Carmen Griggs
Richard Marshall / Shane McBride / Karl Paulnack
Ellen Payzant / Harlow Robinson / Bob Sessions*

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

*Dan Moon (council chair) / Samuel Gloyd &
Diana Miller (co-moderators) / David McClain
(clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)*

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 in the Perkins Room for CRE. There is an adjacent toddler room for parents with children ages 1-5. Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the Nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service.

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."

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Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, JUNE 3RD, 2012

FLOWER COMMUNION &
COMING OF AGE CELEBRATION



Arlington Street Church
Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

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Flower Communion & Coming of Age Celebration

PRELUDE AND FLOWER GATHERING

Vivaldi's Four Seasons, *Spring* Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

Molly Wood, piano

Flower Ritual Contributions

Please leave the flowers you brought for today's Flower Communion at the Great Doors. Thank you.

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (*please join us!*)

***Hymn 38**, Morning Has Broken

Molly Wood, conductor

CHALICE LIGHTING

Reading 418, Come into the Circle of Love and Justice

Lena Pontes, Anna Cooleybeck, Jack DiSilvio

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

*HYMN 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

GATHERING OF THE FLOWERS Laura Evonne Steinman

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, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with our words, some of us pray through our actions, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)

text: *African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page*

Glorivv Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano

Drone

Melody

We pray We

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 188

Come, Come, Whoever You Are

POEM

Change Anna Cooleybeck

HOMILY

Parachuting Into Each Other's Lives Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

Lean on Me Lena Pontes

COMING OF AGE (COA) CEREMONY

..... Liz Weber

Responsive reading with the congregation:

Advisors: As your mentors through your Coming of Age process, we commend you, Anna, Jack, and Lena, for your dedication to your faith and your community. You have explored your spirituality, your beliefs, and your commitment to building a more just world. You have each grown immensely this year, and you have also grown together. You are no longer children; you are ready to claim your place as youth at Arlington Street Church. Do you confirm that you are ready to come of age?

Youth: Yes! Now we as youth join in the wider life of the congregation, and take up the responsibility of living in spiritual community.

Parents: With joy and pride, we affirm your coming of age. May you continue to grow into yourselves, to enjoy and serve the world around you, and to make your spiritual home here at Arlington Street Church.

Congregation: We welcome you into our beloved community. We pledge you our support and our love. We promise to listen to you, share with you, and walk together on our spiritual journeys.

All: Congratulations! Amen.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

OFFERTORY

Salmo 150 *Ermani Aquiar* (b. 1950)

Laudate Dominum in sanctis ejus: *Praise the Lord in his sacred places,*

Laudate Dominum in firmamento virtutis ejus. *praise him in the firmament of his power.*

Laudate eum in virtutibus ejus: *Praise him for his mighty acts,*

Laudate eum secundum multitudinem magnitudinis ejus. *praise him according to his excellent greatness.*

Laudate eum in sono tubae: *Praise him with the sound of the trumpet,*

Laudate eum in psalterio et cithara. *praise him with the psaltery and the harp.*

Laudate eum in tympano et choro: *Praise him with the drum and the dance,*

Laudate eum in chordis et organo. *praise him with strings and pipes.*

Laudate eum in cymbalis benesonantibus: *Praise him with high-sounding cymbals,*

Laudate eum in cymbalis jubilationis: *praise him with cymbals of joy.*

Let everything that has breath

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TODAY in CRE

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, we will all remain in the Sanctuary to enjoy the Coming of Age ceremony! If your child gets restless, feel free to make your way to the nursery, where the service is piped in. Go through the red doors to the right of the pulpit into the chapel, and the nursery is off the small hallway just outside the chapel.