



Homecoming Sunday

Sunday, September 8th ~ 11:00 am, Sanctuary

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie; our Music Director, Mark David Buckles; and the choir; will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 8th. Please bring a little water from a place that is special to you for our water communion celebration!



Tiffany Center is Open: Join Our Team!

Sundays, 1:00 - 4:00 PM & Monday - Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (closed Tuesdays), Sanctuary

Are you looking for an interesting way to get more involved here? Are you curious about the history of the building and the BEAUTIFUL windows? Would you like to meet people from around the world? We need greeters and tour guides every day except Tuesday. It's low-commitment, flexible scheduling, and less than three hours per shift. No experience necessary; all training will be provided! Please speak with Alissa Butler or email her at ascstiffany@gmail.com. *Thank you!*



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Share Our Space!

If you're part of another organization or business that's looking for meeting space, a gathering place, or the use of a commercial kitchen, we'd love to welcome them to Arlington Street Church! Please be in touch with Rev. Kim at office@ASCBoston.org.

Share the Plate

Since last September, we have given half the unpledged gifts in our weekly collection plate to NEADS service dogs for veterans; Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network; Only a Child mission for street children in Guatemala; Friday Night Supper Program; LGBT+ Asylum Task Force; Team Leyden, a Boston Marathon Charity; the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute and their Mothers Day Walk for Peace; Lend a Hand for impoverished people in Boston; Renewal House for people escaping domestic violence; Rise Against Hunger; and Into the Woods to get kids and their families out of the city and into the wilderness. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, *Rev. Joanna Lubkin*
Worship Coordinator, *Hala Hazar*
Candles Coordinator, *Art Judge*
Hymn Leader, *Maggie Klureza*
Lead Greeter, *David Scanlon*
Lead Usher, *Deb Vittner*
Assistant Treasurer, *Paul Babbitt*

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:

Deb Pontes (chair) / Philip Roberts (vice-chair)
Joe Alen / Dan Brotman / Nikki DeRome
Reese Millican / Alan Rodgers
Julia Simon / Darrell Waters

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Liz Teixeira (treasurer) / Tom Anderson &
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.

TIFFANY WINDOWS

The 2015 restoration of Arlington Street Church's Tiffany stained glass windows was made possible through the generous support of this congregation, an anonymous donor, and the George B. Henderson Foundation. The guided tour program for our historic church and its unique Tiffany stained glass windows is open through October 31, 2019. For more information, please visit www.ascstiffany.org.

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

Parish Ministers

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, *Senior Minister*

Rev. George G. Whitehouse, *Minister at Large*

Rev. Erica Rose Long
Assistant Director of Family Ministry
Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital

Community Ministers

Dr. Arthur Judge
Hospital Chaplain, retired

Rev. Fred Small
Minister for Climate Justice

Rev. Joanna Lubkin
Chaplain, Wellesley College

Rev. Vera O'Brien
Chaplain, HopeHealth
Sandwich and Martha's Vineyard

Intern Ministers

Ali Jablonsky
Tufts Medical Center

Rev. Liz Weber
Massachusetts General Hospital

Music

Mark David Buckles, *Director of Music*

Yulia Yun, *Collaborative Pianist and Organist*

Rodger Clinton Vine, *Artist in Residence*

Choir Section Leaders

Ann-Marie Iacoviello, soprano

Hana Omori, alto

Daniel Rosensweig, tenor

Tevan Goldberg, bass

Administration

Jeffrey Bouchard
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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 2019

Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

Prelude in D-flat *Alexander Nikolayevich Scriabin* (1872 - 1915)

Rondo in D, Movement 1 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart* (1756 - 1791)

Prelude in C Major *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685 - 1750)

Andrew Altenback, piano

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

We receive fragments of holiness, glimpses of eternity, brief moments of insight. Let us gather them up for the precious gifts that they are and, renewed by their grace, move boldly into the unknown. - *Sarah York*

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

GREETINGS

*HYMN 354

We Laugh, We Cry

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."

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 lo que nos comprometemos:
Convivir en paz,
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

***HYMN 1003**
Where Do We Come From?

SERMON
Stump the Chumps Part II: A Question Box Sermon
Rev. Joanna Lubkin

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the larger community – half of the unpledged offering is shared with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code. *Thank you for your stewardship and support!*



OFFERTORY
Intermezzo in A Major *Johannes Brahms* (1833 - 1897)
Andrew Altenback, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***HYMN 1020**
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***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

***RECESSIONAL** (*sung twice; please join in!*)
Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
For your people are my people
Your people are mine
Your people are my people
Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE
Rondo in D, Movement 2 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart* (1756 - 1791)
Andrew Altenback, piano

INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY
SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 2019

All Are Welcome

We are glad you have joined us this morning for worship!

This morning, we invite you to:

- * Fill in the Welcome Card and place it in the collection plate;
- * Join us for coffee and a light lunch in the Parish Hall;
- * Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
- * Please come back again soon!

 **Today's Speaker**

Rev. Joanna Lubkin has attended Arlington Street Church since 2010 and serves as one of our Affiliated Community Ministers. She serves as the Unitarian Universalist Chaplain at Wellesley College and as the Minister at All Souls Church in Braintree. Joanna sings in the ASC choir and at the Sanctuary Boston. She and Rev. Liz Weber collaborated on two Question Box sermons this summer.

 **Speaking on Sunday, September 1ST**

Something Stronger ~ Something Better Art Nava

We live in anxious times. Amid the chaos, corruption, and confusion around us, we can use our spiritual practices to keep us aligned and rooted to our moral compass with courage, calm, creativity, and empathy. On this foundation of the best of our humanity, we can (and must) continue to build Beloved Community right here, right now.

Art Nava has attended Arlington Street since 2004. He currently serves as a peer facilitator in the New England Region and the Religious Educators Credentialing Committee of the UUA. He enjoys non-profit board work and currently serves as the board chair of Gay For Good and as Friday Night Supper Program's treasurer. He was born and raised in El Paso, where he had the joy of living and learning in a truly bicultural, binational community. He now lives in Lowell with his husband Rich Abreu and their dog Spenser.

SUMMER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

 **Summertime at Arlington Street**

The program staff and the Arlington Street Choir are away for the summer, but will be back for worship on September 8th. Today and every Sunday through Labor Day, we are grateful to our musicians, our preachers, and the volunteer team for this beautiful worship service!

Next to the Hunnewell Chapel, there is a nursery for restless babies and their caregivers. This space offers a rocking chair, changing table with supplies, and a live audio feed of the service.

Should you need a minister over the summer, please call the church office at 617-536-7050. The admin staff is always here for you; Jeffrey, and Brad are glad to help! Happy summer, one and all!

During summer the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar." Jeff Bouchard, our congregational administrator/facilities manager, keeps it current.

  **Coffee Hour**

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, light lunch, and community!

 **Kundalini Yoga Class**

Every Wednesday ~ 6:00 PM, Perkins Room

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!

 **Care Cards Table**

Now that summer services at Arlington St. Church have begun, the Care Cards table will be on hiatus until September 8th. We would love to invite new volunteers to join us in the fall. Can you spare an hour once a month? The Care Cards group is seeking volunteers to help with setting up and hosting the Care Cards table in the Parish Hall during the after service lunch. Volunteers collect the candles of sorrow and joy from the worship team, prepare cards to be signed, host the table during lunch, and deliver the signed cards to the office for mailing. If you have a busy life and live a long commute from ASC, this is a perfect way to be of service to the community! We will start setting up again on a weekly basis on Sunday, September 8th. Please email Office@ascboston.org to be put in touch with the Care Cards team.

 **ASC Young Adults (ASCYA)**

We're starting a Young Adult Group here at Arlington Street! Are you 18-35 years old? Find us on Facebook at ASC Young Adults, or contact Rebecca Reid through the church office (Office@ASCBoston.org). *Join us!*

 **Summer Reading**

Buddha's Belly: Arlington Street's Buddhist book group is reading Pema Chödrön's *The Places That Scare You: A Guide to Fearlessness in Difficult Times*. All are welcome to join in the discussion on Tuesday, September 10th at 6:00 pm.

Intersectional Book Group: Join Rev. Kim for the thirteenth in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. Our next book is Michelle Alexander's *The New Jim Crow*. We'll meet to discuss it on Monday, September 9th at 5:30 pm.

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