about the proposed revisions to the principles and the following two websites to learn more about the presidential candidates: www. moralesforuuapresident.org and www.hallmanforuuapresident. com. Please send all opinions to Molly Uline, UU Affairs Committee Chair, at mollyuline@gmail.com and she'll pass them on the delegates. Thanks for your help!

# **Music At Arlington Street Church**

#### **Concerto Antico**

Sunday, June 7th, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary and 2:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Chamber Music Ensemble *Concerto Antico* comes to Arlington Street Church as part of the Boston Early Music Festival! They will join us for morning worship, performing Telemann's resplendent *Laudate Jehovam, Omnes Gentes* with the Arlington Street Church Choir! After the service, grab some lunch and come back to hear their afternoon recital in the chapel featuring the music of Haydn!



# **Sacred Eros: Discussion Group on Sexuality** and **Spirituality**

Thursday, May 28th, 7:00 PM, in the Perkins Room

Our theme for this month is "Word, Image, Flesh, Spirit." Sexually explicit writing and images have been around for centuries, made more widely available with the printing press and camera, and even more so with the Internet. Some say such words and images are inherently bad and harmful. Some say erotica can be good for you, even spiritually inspiring. Bring your opinions, your questions, your favorite examples, and some munchies or beverages to share.

# **Unitarian Universalist Reading Group**

Mondays, 7:00 PM, in the Stage Right Room

The Unitarian Universalist Reading Group will continue for the summer. New members are invited to join! Please be advised that we are not meeting June 1<sup>st</sup> or June 8<sup>th</sup>. When we resume, we'll discuss *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* on June 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, and we'll discuss *The Golden Compass* on July 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. To sign up, send an email to Richard Mattoli in care of Office@ASCBoston.org or visit the Membership Table during Coffee Hour.

#### **Other Announcements**

#### **GAYLA Unitarian Universalist Retreat**

July 18th – 25th, Unitarian Universalist Ferry Beach Retreat

GAYLA is a week-long retreat for gay and bisexual men at Ferry Beach, the Unitarian Universalist retreat in Maine. Activities will include: practical spirituality, ecology, the arts, an optional Morning Chapel, volleyball, and themed evening activities. Enjoy the sumptuous family style meals, Maine scenery with beach, waves, and sand dunes, along with opportunities to participate in the Northeast Unitarian Universalist Choral Festival. Feel free to talk with past Arlington Street Church attendees Joel Light, Philip Roberts, and Steve Vorenberg. For more information visit, www.ferrybeach.org, or call (207) 284-8612.

#### **Nature Lovers**

We are looking for two or more volunteers to become faithful stewards of the church lawn. With the return of the green, it will need loving attention. If you have the time, and believe a good physical workout is music to the soul, we have the mower for you!



#### **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 or leave a note in the suggestion box outside the Church Office. Your message will be received by the Church's administrative assistant so it can find its way to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow-up. Thanks! For emergencies, please see "Our Caring Community" to the right.

#### Inside Submission Guidelines

Please deliver all Sunday announcements before Tuesday at 3:00 pm by e-mail to communications@ ASCBoston.org. Announcements will not be accepted by telephone. Materials must be legible, signed, and fully composed and may be edited, as space is limited. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist ommunity.

Scheduling Events at Arlington Street Church

All issues dealing with building usage for both congregational usage and rentals, must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, 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.

#### **Our Caring Community**

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office. Our staff and ministers will be in touch to lend support.

#### Security Note

This is an urban church. Please do not leave your valuables unattended! Also, please be attentive when exiting the church into the alley. When walking in the alley avoid being alone, carry a cell phone, walk in the center of the road, and pay attention!

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# News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2009

# **Today's Events**

#### **Coffee Hour**

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's gather downstairs for coffee, comestibles, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like more information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table. The children are in the Perkins Room, right off the Parish Hall; stop by to see what they have been up to this morning. And there's always something going on at the Social Action Table. All are welcome. Enjoy!

# Music of Appalachia

Today! 11:00 AM, in the Sanctuary

Arlington Street's own Alistair Kok (violin) and Mark David Buckles (guitar) are joined by guest musicians Aliah Rosenthal (cello) and Susan Kirchausen (viola/violin) for the Sunday morning worship service. They will perform folk music of Appalachia, including *Appalachia Waltz, The Lover's Waltz*, and the iconic *Ashokan Farewell*.

# **Congregational Conversation with the Prudential Committee**

Today! 12:15 PM, in the Clarke Room

Join members of the Prudential Committee today for the last Congregational Conversation of the church year. There's no defined topic—just come prepared to say what's on your mind, to listen to what others have been thinking, and share your vision for next year.

### **UUSC** JustJourney to Kenya

Today! 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel

In 2008, post election violence in Kenya convulsed this previously stable East African democracy with brutal killings of over 1500 people and the displacement of hundreds of thousands of Kenyans in ethnic and tribal violence.

In March, Doug Fiero and Mary Russell joined a group of Unitarian-Universalists from around the country to travel to Kenya and observe first-hand the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's response to this humanitarian crisis.

Today, Doug and Mary will present the results of this JustJourney and the remarkable "grassroots" approach the UUSC has taken in Kenya.

# Children's Religious Education

This morning Erick DuPree, religious educator, will lead the Chalice Children (K–2<sup>nd</sup> grade) and the Explorers (3<sup>rd</sup>–6<sup>th</sup> grade) as our classes continue on their journey discovering Unitarian Universalist principles and identity. We will be sung out with the *Children's Blessing*, which is printed in the Order of Service, and go downstairs to the Perkins Room. Weather permitting, today's class will be held in the Public Garden. If this is your first time visiting Arlington Street Church, this is an exciting opportunity to learn about church school! All children are welcome!

## **Congregational Announcements**

#### **Social Action**

Please come to the letter-writing table today to sign letters to your state legislators regarding a bill to end mandatory minimum sentences. Mandatory sentencing requires judges to impose long predetermined prison terms, even if they believe that a different form of punishment would be more appropriate for a particular individual and better for public safety. The present laws are not conducive to rehabilitation or to re-entry programs that help former offenders to turn their lives around. A computer will be available for looking up the names and addresses of legislators.

#### **Covenant Renewal**

Covenant Renewal is when Arlington Street Church members and supporting friends pledge their financial support for the upcoming church year, July 2009 through June 2010.

Brochures and pledge sheets can be found in the pews. They will also be available at the Welcome Table during Coffee Hour, online at www.ascboston.org/programs/covenant, and in the church office.

# **Fiscal Year Pledges**

The church fiscal year ends June 30th. Please remember to fulfill your pledge of support to Arlington Street Church by then.

If you have any questions regarding your pledge or contributions, please contact the church office at 617-536-7050.

# Deepen Your Relationship with Arlington Street Church and Unitarian Universalism: A Two-Part Class

Today! 12:45 PM - 3:00 PM, in the Frothingham Library Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, in the Perkins Room

If you are a newcomer; if you are growing to know us and understand your journey within our spiritual community; if you have been with us for a while; if you want to be even more deeply engaged in your own spiritual journey... we invite you to attend the final Path to Membership Class of the 2008–2009 church year!

# Coming Up...

# Sunday, May 31st, 2009 9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall 12:15 PM Congregational Conversation - "What's on Your Mind?" Clarke Room 19:30 PM Social Action Committee - Chapel

12:30 PM Social Action Committee - Chapel
12:30 PM Young Adults Lunch - Stage Right Room
12:45 PM New Member Class - Frothingham Library
1:00 PM Connections Group - Archives Room
6:00 PM Building Your Own Theology - Chapel

#### Monday, June Ist, 2009

10:30 AM Monday Connections Group - Perkins Room

#### Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009

6:00 PM Worship Committee - Perkins Room

7:30 PM \*Spiritual Practice for Professional Caregivers -

Frothingham Library

#### Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009

11:30 AM Humpday Brown Bag Lunch - Perkins Room

3:30 PM \*Staff Meeting - Perkins Room

6:00 рм Kundalini Yoga - Chapel

#### Thursday, June 4th, 2009

5:30 PM Preaching Class for Summer Speakers - Sanctuary

6:00 PM New Member Class - Perkins Room 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

#### Friday, June 5th, 2009

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program - Parish Hall and Kitchen

#### Saturday, June 6th, 2009

No congregation related events at this time.

#### Sunday, June 7th, 2009

9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary

12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall

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1:00 PM Childrens Religious Education Committee - Perkins Room

2:00 PM Concerto Antico - Chapel

6:00 PM Building Your Own Theology - Chapel

#### \*Closed meeting

**NOTE:** This calendar is accurate as of noon the Wednesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation. For complete, upto-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit www.ASCBoston.org.

The Path to Membership Class is a two-part class that provides a great opportunity to meet others and share your spiritual story. You'll also get to know members, leaders, staff, and ministers from the congregation in an informal setting.

Discussion topics include Arlington Street's heritage and governance; Unitarian Universalist heritage and faith; religious education; our current programs and ways to get involved; making a financial contribution to support our community; and answers to your questions. The class closes with a tour of the church, and you can ring the church bells!

For more information or to sign-up, visit the Welcome Table during Coffee Hour or contact Rev. Dan Kane, interim assistant minister, by email at DKane@ASCBoston.org or by phone at 617-536-7050 x18.

#### **Humpday Brown Bag Lunch**

Wednesdays, II:30 AM – I:00 PM, in the Perkins Room

Are you unemployed, working from home, or just longing for connection in the middle of the week? If so, join Rev. Dan and other church folks for brown bag lunches on Wednesdays. We'll eat, chat and share some dessert. Bring your own lunch and we'll provide the dessert. Hope to see you on humpday!

#### Pride!

Saturday, June 13th, 11:00 AM

All persuasions and allies are welcome to join in our annual preparade Pride service! This year's service features a banner parade, a tribute to Judy Garland, and young transpeople speaking about trans-formation of the world! At 11:45 AM, we'll leave to march in the parade. Please come for the fun!

## **Corporation Meeting**

Sunday, June 14th, 12:45 PM – 3:00 PM, in the Sanctuary

#### Agenda

(\* means a vote is required)

- Membership update\*
- II. Elections of officers, Prudential committee members, nominating committee, and delegates to the Mass Bay District and the UU Urban Ministry\*
- III. Council report
- IV. Prudential Committee report
- V. Business administrator's report
- VI. Finance report
- VII. Proposed budget for FY2010\*
- VIII. Jubilee update
- IX. Sanctuario update
- X. Other business

Free childcare provided.

# **General Assembly Delegates Need Your Help!**

In June of this year, five delegates and one alternate will be attending the General Assembly in Salt Lake City, Utah. Among other things, the delegates will be attending classes and voting on a new UUA president and revisions to the seven principles. We would love to know your opinions on the last two items so that you can assist us in representing you at the conference. Please check out the www.uuworld.org/news/articles/128147.shtml to read