

 **Cris Williamson - Barbara Higbie - Teresa Trull**
The Reunion Tour

Saturday, March 31st ~ 7:00 PM, Sanctuary


Back momentarily from New Zealand where she now makes her home, Teresa Trull joins forces with Barbara Higbie and Cris Williamson for an evening of beloved old and new favorites. This trio of friends, composed of gutsy blues/rock vocal dynamo and songwriter, Teresa Trull; Grammy-nominated multi-instrumentalist and singer, Barbara Higbie; and the iconic singer/songwriter Cris Williamson, bring a mixture of new material and old favorites to Arlington Street as part of a special few East Coast dates. Without a doubt, the very real friendship binding these three musicians brings a powerful mixture guaranteed to delight, inspire, cheer, and comfort. Tickets are available at brownpapertickets.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

There are many great Arlington Street Church events in the works for the New Year. As you begin planning for 2018, be sure to save the dates for:

- March 24th** Indulge Auction & Celebration
Arlington Street Annual Fundraiser
- March 31st** Cris Williamson in Concert
- April 1st** Easter Sunday Worship
- April 8th** Rise Against Hunger Service Event
- April 29th** Covenant Renewal Sunday
- May 6th** Ordination of Beth Robbins
- May 12th** Sakyong Mipham (son of Chögyam Trungpa;
head of Shambhala)
- June 9th** Pride!
... and an evening Kirtan with Krishna Das

ARLINGTON STREET MINISTRIES

 **Join the Arlington Street Choir**
Every Thursday ~ 7:00 PM, Clarke Room

Experience the spiritual practice of communal singing! Take just a couple of hours out of your week to create something beautiful, make friends, and add more music to your life!

Musicians and non-musicians are welcome - we are a mix of professionals and amateurs. We rehearse every Thursday and are always accepting new members. We meet in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles at MBuckles@ASCBoston.org.

 **Children's Religious Education Wants You!**

Would you enjoy assisting behind the scenes, sharing a story or your spiritual practice, going on a field trip, leading a sex ed class, holding babies, building with legos, or digging in the dirt? If the answer is yes, please contact Beth Robbins at BRobbins@ASCBoston.org.



COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

January 2018 through June 2018

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an **TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE** of \$ _____

to support the work of Arlington Street Church for 2017-2018.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Pledge contributions may be made by cash, check, or credit card.

Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm _____ yy _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

- One payment for my entire pledge.
- Equal monthly installments on the 12th of each month.

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. The Church's administrative assistant will pass your message on to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow up. Thanks!

SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, (both congregational use and rentals), must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Administrative Assistant and 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.

INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements **before Tuesday noon** to publications@ascboston.org. Laurinda O'Connor will receive your email and will compile the announcements for publication. Materials should be legible, signed, and fully composed. Space is limited, so some editing may be necessary. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

OUR CARING COMMUNITY—EMERGENCIES

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office, 617.536.7050. 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!

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INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2018

*If you are visiting Arlington Street Church
or would like information about Unitarian Universalism,
please visit the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall.*

TODAY

  **Coffee Hour and Lunch**

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! Please visit the Arlington Street Cares Table (on your right as you enter the Parish Hall) to sign cards for those who have shared candles of sorrow and joy with us.

We welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To volunteer, and for more information about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen.

 **Arlington Street Church Corporation Meeting**

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

- Membership Update * (Doc Kinne and Liz Teixeira)
- Senior Minister's Report (Rev. Kim)
- Director of Family Ministry Search Update (HR Committee)
- Treasurer's Report (Art Nava)
- Proposed Change of Investment Company* (Art Nava)
- Accessibility Ramp Update (Tina Rose)
- Strategic Planning Update (Al Ingram/Ted Rudinsky)
- Q&A on Written Reports
 - Family Ministry (Beth Robbins)
 - Prudential Committee (Al Ingram)
- Other Business

* Indicates vote required

 **Arlington Street Circle of Caring**

Today and Sundays, February 4th & 19th ~ 12:30 PM, Carol Smith Room

Are you battling illness, struggling with isolation, caring for someone who is sick or dying, or coping with grief after a loss? Please visit the Circle of Caring and join our community of support, peace, healing, and love. Facilitator, Maureen Peterson calls on her significant personal experience to create a safe space for sharing our stories and supporting one another through the crises of life.

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Black Lives Matter Boston presents: *Imagine!*

Today ~ 3:00 PM, Sanctuary

Come experience *Imagine!* with our own Karlene Griffiths Sekou, internationally acclaimed slam poet Neiel Israel, and - all the way from Houston - special guest, *raptivist* Genesis Blu! Visit ASCBoston.org for a link to buy tickets.

THIS WEEK

Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion and Arlington Street Zen Center

Tuesday, January 23rd ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

6:00 *Buddha's Belly*: We'll continue our discussion of *All the Rage: Buddhist Wisdom on Anger and Acceptance* (Andrea Miller, editor). Please read through page 131, "*Compassion for Those Who Cause Suffering*."

7:00 *Arlington Street Zen Center*: Our gathering includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. If you'd like to walk in the Public Garden (optional!), please dress for the weather. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are warmly welcome.

Kundalini Yoga Class

Every Wednesday ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Uncomfortable Conversations about Race

Sundays, January 28th and February 25th ~ 12:30 PM, Program Room

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice offers this time and space for facilitated discussion and continuing conversation about developing an antiracist worldview. We hold these conversations periodically at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and no RSVP is needed. For more information, email transformation@ascboston.org

Encountering Our Spiritual Wounds

Begins, Sunday, January 28th ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Did you come to Unitarian Universalism after a wounding religious experience? So many of us find refuge in our tradition after experiencing harm elsewhere, and we never find the time or place to revisit and tend to those wounds. Join Ali Jablonsky for a 4-week spirituality group where we will explore where we came from, how we were harmed, how we can tend to our wounds, and how our experiences form who we are as Unitarian Universalists, all in the company of our ASC spiritual community. Ali is an ASC member and a Resident Chaplain at Massachusetts General Hospital. Space is limited; contact Ali via the church office at Office@ASCBoston.org with any questions and to reserve your space!

We invite you to cut out this calendar or view the full calendar at ASCBoston.org

This Week

Sunday, January 21, 2018

*9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Intergenerational Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM ASC Circle of Caring ~ Carol Smith Room
12:30 PM Corporation Meeting ~ Hunnewell Chapel
3:00 PM *Imagine!* ~ Sanctuary

Monday, January 22, 2018

6:30 PM Membership Team Committee ~ Perkins Room

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
*7:00 PM Ministerial Internship Committee ~ Carol Smith Room

Thursday, January 25, 2018

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, January 26, 2018

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program (FNSP) ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, January 27, 2018

No congregational events are scheduled.

Sunday, January 28, 2018

*9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM Uncomfortable Conversations about Race ~ Program Room
12:30 PM Encountering Our Spiritual Wounds ~ Hunnewell Chapel
12:30 PM Indulge 2018 Planning Meeting ~ Carol Smith Room

* Denotes closed meetings. This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation.

For additional listings, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



Indulge 2018 Planning Meeting

Sunday, January 28th ~ 12:30 PM, Carol Smith Room

Join the team as we continue planning decorations, menu, and auction details. Indulge 2018 is our spring fundraiser scheduled for Saturday, March 24th. Come be a part of helping to make this fun night a reality!



To Renewal House with Love

Sunday, February 11th ~ Arlington Street Church

It's time for our annual lovefest for Renewal House, Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry's shelter for women and children escaping domestic violence. This year, please bring full-sized toiletries: shampoo, conditioner, soap, razors, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and tampons and pads. All contributions will be gratefully received! Thank you!



Lunar New Year Lion Dance Parade

Sunday, February 11th ~ 12:30 PM, Chinatown

Let's celebrate the Lunar New Year - Year of the Dog - featuring the Lion Dance Parade, food, and fun! We will head over as a group for the parade and then enjoy Dim Sum together in Chinatown!



Meditation Retreat

Sunday, February 25th ~ 1:00-5:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Rev. Kim and members of the Arlington Street Zen Center invite you to an afternoon meditation retreat. We'll practice alternate sitting and walking meditations, interspersed with readings from the dharma (Buddhist teachings)-the same format as our twice-monthly gatherings, just a longer session.

Whether you are experienced in meditation or interested in a full immersion introduction, please join us! Wear loose, comfortable clothing, walking shoes, and appropriate outerwear (we will be walking in the Public Garden). Zafus and zabutons (pillows and cushions) as well as chairs are provided. Come for the beginning and stay as long as you like. At 5:00, we'll celebrate by enjoying an early dinner together somewhere nearby. BYO\$.



Intersectional Book Group

Monday, March 5th ~ 5:30 - 7:00 PM, Frothingham Library

Join Rev. Kim for the sixth in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. For this gathering, we'll be reading *Romantic Violence: Memoirs of an American Skinhead* by Christian Piccolini. All are welcome!



Concert by Boston Chamber Music Society (BCMS)

Saturday, March 10th ~ 11:30 AM, Sanctuary

Welcome to Morning Light! Our own Gaby Whitehouse, BCMS board member, invites you to come listen to this magnificent chamber orchestra play an all-Brahms concert in our beautiful sanctuary. We had great feedback from our fall concerts and look forward to seeing you at the final one in this three-concert series. It's good to see Boston catching up with European cities (think Prague and Amsterdam!), where morning concerts in churches are a wonderful part of daily life. And don't miss the chance to meet the musicians at the delicious reception in the Hunnewell Chapel following the concert. Tickets are \$35, but for ASC members and friends there's a 50% discount! For tickets, visit BCMS at www.bostonchambermusic.org and enter ASC50 as the discount code.