

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Occupy Boston Faith & Spirituality Group

Today ~ 2:00 PM, Clarke Room

Occupy Boston's faith and spirituality working group is meeting at Arlington Street Church today. For more information, talk to Laura Evonne Steinman. All are welcome!

Do you 'like' us on facebook?

If you are on facebook, be sure to 'like' our page. You can view photos, post comments, ask questions, or RSVP to upcoming special events and concerts. It's an easy way to help our outreach efforts by showing your facebook friends that you support ASC. Simply go to www.facebook.com/ArlingtonStreetChurch, or go to our home page for a convenient link (www.ascboston.org).

Love of Singing

Thursdays ~ 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Clarke Room

Do you love to sing? Would you consider sharing your voice as a gift of service to this community? Do you want to take just a couple of hours out of your week to create something beautiful? The Arlington Street Church Choir awaits you!

We rehearse on Thursdays in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. Musicians and non-musicians are welcome! If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles, who is available at the front of the sanctuary following the service or via email at MBuckles@ASCBoston.org.

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2011 through June 2012

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

For the church year, July 2011 - June 2012, I/We commit a TOTAL of \$ _____ to support the work of Arlington Street Church.

I/We will make payments on our pledge during the church year, and I/We will complete the pledge by June 30, 2012:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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

If you are paying with cash via the Sunday collection, be sure to clearly mark the envelope with your name(s) and indicate "*Pledge Payment*".

Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church with "2012 pledge payment" written on the check memo line.

If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete the information below:

Accepted: Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Zip Code: _____

One Time Charge Equal Monthly Contributions

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. 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.

SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, for both congregational usage and rentals, must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Assistant to the Administrator. 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 print@ascboston.org. Phyllis Guiliano (church administrator) will receive this email and will compile all of the announcements for publication. 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 community.

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, 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 8TH, 2012

TODAY

Coffee Hour and Lunch

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

We welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To volunteer, and for more information about joining our team, stop by the kitchen today, or contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero through the church at office@ASCBoston.org.

Arlington Street Church Corporation Meeting

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

***Vote required**

*Membership Update David McClain

*Ordination Approval for Rebecca Froom Elizabeth Lindholm

Treasurer's Report Susie Nacco

Indulge 2012 Dan Fournier/Sharon Pressly Fiero

Membership Committee Report Bob Sessions/Greg Haig

Other Business

Written Reports

Church Administrator Phyllis Guiliano

Prudential Committee Report Deb Pontes/Art Nava

Social Action Committee Report Ed Wright

Arabella Ensemble Concert

Epiphany: Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening

Today ~ 5:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

The Arabella Ensemble will present an evening of vocal and chamber music exploring the theme of snow and the journey of the Wise Men to seek the Christ Child. Music of the season includes works by Bach, Elgar, Brahms, Rutter, Spirituals and more. Tickets are available at the door: \$15 Adults and \$10 Students/Seniors. More information regarding the program is available at www.arabellensemble.com, belcantobach@hotmail.com, or emilymurphy2@gmail.com.

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THIS WEEK

English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Monday, Jan. 9th & Wednesday Jan. 11th ~ 10:00 AM, Perkins Room

Learn or improve your English! The class meets twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays. Students practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Topics include general conversation, cooking, and holiday events, as well as grammar and pronunciation. Students are also welcome to suggest their own topic ideas. The class is taught by Ann Troise, a member of Arlington Street Church, who has been certified to teach ESL by the Boston Academy of English.

Gay Men's Spirituality Group

Monday, January 9th ~ 7:00 PM, Parish Hall

The Gay Men's Spirituality Group is having a potluck dinner. All are invited! We'll need help cleaning up the kitchen and parish hall after our dinner.

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

Tuesday, January 10th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and the Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every second and fourth Tuesday throughout the church year.

Buddha's Belly meets from 6 PM to 7 PM. We are reading *In the Face of Fear: Buddhist Wisdom for Challenging Times*. For this meeting, please finish section six.

Arlington Street Zen Center meets at 7 PM and includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are welcome!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, January 11th ~ 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.

Adult Religious Exploration Team Meeting

Wednesday, January 11th ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room

At our January meeting, the Adult Religious Exploration team will be discussing ideas for classes, workshops, and programs to offer in Winter-Spring 2012 as well as ideas for renewing our "Connections" Small Group Ministry Program. All are welcome to attend, bring your ideas! If you have any questions, or if you are interested in volunteering as a Connections facilitator, please contact our Intern Minister, Rebecca Froom, at RFroom@ASCBoston.org.

We invite you to cut out this calendar and clip it to your refrigerator or bulletin board!

This Week

Sunday, January 8, 2011

9:30 AM	Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Social Action Committee ~ Smith Room
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	Corporation Meeting ~ Hunnewell Chapel
12:30 PM	Coming of Age ~ Perkins Room
5:30 PM	Arabella Ensemble Concert ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Monday, January 9, 2011

10:00 AM	Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room
*5:30 PM	Internship Committee ~ Frothingham Library
6:30 PM	Membership Team Meeting ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM	Gay Men's Spirituality Group ~ Parish Hall

Tuesday, January 10, 2011

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

Wednesday, January 11, 2011

10:00 AM	Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room
*3:30 PM	Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM	Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:30 PM	Adult Religious Exploration ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM	Boston New Sanctuary Movement ~ Clarke Room

Thursday, January 12, 2011

7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal ~ Clarke Room
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Friday, January 13, 2011

5:00 PM	Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall Kitchen
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Saturday, January 14, 2011

No congregational events

Sunday, January 15, 2011

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
1:00 PM	Introduction to Meditation ~ Hunnewell Chapel

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



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SAVE THE DATE

Spiritual Passions 2012!

Arlington Street Zen Center: Introduction to Meditation

Sunday, January 15th ~ 1:00-3:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Don't just do something; sit there! And when you sit, just sit. Very simple directives ... simple, but not easy! Join Rev. Kim and members of Arlington Street Zen Center for Meditation 101, including answers to burning questions such as, "Where do I put my legs?" and "How do I quiet my mind without going to sleep?" This ancient spiritual practice will bring profound benefits not just to you, but to all whose life touches yours. Wear comfortable clothing (and yes, you can meditate in a chair!).

Sacred Eros: Jesus and Sex

Monday, January 16th ~ 7:00 pm, Perkins Room

Sacred Eros addresses the intersection of spirituality and sexuality. Just what exactly did Jesus say about sex, gender and intimate relationships? The answer may surprise you! Join us as Elizabeth Sweeney of Cambridge Welcoming Ministries and Desmond Ravenstone kick off this discussion. Please bring some food or beverages to share!

New Member Class

Wednesday, January 18th ~ 6:30, Perkins Room

Sunday, January 22nd ~ 12:45 PM, Frothingham Library

All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our next two-session, new member class. Please sign up at the Welcome Table downstairs in the parish hall after the service. All are welcome!

New Greeter Training and Orientation

Sunday, January 22nd ~ 12:30-1:30 PM, Stage Right Room

Become a part of the greeter team and learn the ways we welcome guests, visitors, and members to our spiritual home every Sunday. We'll share our recollections of the first time we visited Arlington Street Church and review the 'radical hospitality' approach from bubbles and crayons, to smiles and genuine welcomes. All are welcome!

Lost in Detention!

Sunday, January 29th ~ 12:30 PM, Clarke Room

Don't miss this powerful Frontline Documentary. This 60-minute expose shows the damage done to families and communities by the government's cruel immigration policies. Members from Student Immigrant Movement (SIM) will lead us in discussion after the film. Sponsored by the Social Action Committee, SIM, and Boston New Sanctuary Movement.

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