

Kincaid's My Brother (November 17th) is a poignant memoir about her youngest brother Devon's AIDS-related death in which she explores the nature of love, family ties, and loss. William Faulkner's As I Lay Dying (December 8th) told by 15 narrators in 59 short chapters, is the story of the death of Addie Bundren and her family's shocking journey through Mississippi as it travels with her corpse to her family's cemetery. In our final meeting, we'll discuss the first chapter of The Oxford Book of Death (December 15th), a collection of poems and prose extracts from writers of the past 2,500 years ranging from Homer and Plato to Shakespeare and Woody Allen.

Ironic as it may seem, good writing on death is among the liveliest we have. And in case any of you thinks our subject dour, we hope you'll take solace in the news that our Spring course will be "Love in Five Wednesdays."

*Any editions of Tolstoy and Mann will do. The chapter from The Oxford Book of Death is a free handout distributed at our penultimate meeting. For the Faulkner & Kincaid, I strongly recommend the following editions:

Faulkner, As I Lay Dying, Vintage, 1957, 250 pp.

Kincaid, My Brother, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1998, 208 pp.

Come one, come all; come for one, come for all! All are welcome!

MUSIC

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 or need to take just a couple hours out of your week to create something beautiful? The Arlington Street Church Choir awaits you!

We rehearse on Thursdays from 7:00 – 9:00 PM 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.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Assistant Treasurers, Carol Fisher & Ellen Spencer

Candles Coordinators, Lois Hartsough

Lead Greeter, JP LaFond

Lead Usher, Ellen Spencer

Worship Coordinator, Desmond Ravenstone

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM 2010 thru. 2011

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I/We Commit an Annual Total Of \$ _____ to Support the Work of the Arlington Street Church for 2010-2011.

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Contributions may be made via cash, check, or credit card. If you are paying your pledge 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 and also please include "2011 pledge payment" on memo line. If you wish to use a credit card, please complete the information below:

Mastercard Visa Zip Code: _____

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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.

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.

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.

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!

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17TH, 2010

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service

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

We also want to share that the workload for our team is considerable, and we would welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. **We'd like to suggest that all who enjoy the refreshments offer at least one Sunday to assist with dishes and other clean-up tasks.** For more information about joining our team, please contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero at office@ASCBoston.org

Meet with the Haitian Coalition

TODAY: 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Hear about the Haitian Coalition's trips to Haiti. What is the situation in Haiti today? What can we do? The Task Force on Haiti invites you to join us.

Open House! Bring A Friend!

Welcome Bilal Kaleem!

Sunday, October 24th ~ 11:00 am, Sanctuary

This is a great Sunday to invite family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join you for worship! We are honored to welcome as our friend and guest this morning M. Bilal Kaleem, Executive Director of the Muslim American Society of Boston. He will join Rev. Kim in the pulpit for this very special open house celebration.

In the Hunnewell Chapel, following the service, Rebecca Froom will give a lunchtime introduction to Arlington Street and Unitarian Universalism. In the Perkins Room, Laura Evonne Steinman will offer a child-friendly version along with children's activities.

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CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

El Dia de los Muertos ~ Day of the Dead

Sunday, October 31st ~ 11:00 am, Sanctuary

Please plan to join in our annual observance of Day of the Dead, All Saints Day, and All Souls Day. We will celebrate the lives of beloved family and friends who have gone before us, calling out their names to affirm their continuing presence in our lives. You are welcome to bring photographs and other mementos to place on the altar. Children of all ages are invited to wear costumes and take part in the costume procession!

Lucy Stone Cooperative Is Looking for Housemates

Beginning January 1st, Dudley Square, Roxbury

The Lucy Stone Cooperative, as a new Unitarian Universalist cooperative, is looking for housemates to move into a grand old house in Dudley Square, Roxbury come January 1st. The Lucy Stone Cooperative will be an intentional community where 10-14 people will live together. In line with our mission of sustainability, spirituality and social justice, Co-op housemates will participate in cooking, chores, annual retreats, regular house meetings, and building relationships with our neighbors and neighborhood organizations.

Your member share in the coop is a \$500 security deposit, around \$500 per month, plus food and utilities. For more information email info@lucystonecoop.org, and/or check out our website at www.lucystonecoop.org.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, October 20th ~ 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 will be a \$10 charge that will go to the church.

Talking Our Walk: A Discussion Group for People Affected by Depression

Wednesday, October 20th ~ 5:00 PM, Perkins Room

A wonderful, supportive atmosphere, facilitated by our own John Sacco, awaits in this open discussion group: not a substitute for therapy or medication, but a different kind of healing. The group meets once a month, on the third Wednesday. Please speak with John or Rev. Kim for more information. *You are not alone!*

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

Coming Up...

Sunday, October 17, 2010

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education
12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:30 PM Haiti Task Force - Hunnewell Chapel

Monday, October 18, 2010

No congregational events

Tuesday, October 19, 2010

6:00 PM Prudential committee - Perkins Room

Wednesday, October 20, 2010

*3:30 PM Staff Meeting - Perkins Room
5:00 PM Talking our Walk - Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM UU Affairs Committee - Perkins Room

Thursday, October 21, 2010

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

Friday, October 22, 2010

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

Saturday, October 23, 2010

No congregational events

Sunday, October 24, 2010

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education
12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:15 PM Intro to ASC & Unitarianism Universalism, Chapel
12:30 PM Planning for Indulge 2011 - Stage Right Room

NOTE: 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.

** Denotes Closed Meetings*



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Sacred Eros: Language, Spirit, and Eros

Monday, October 25th ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

What words do we use when talking about spirituality and sexuality? How does it affect the way we think, feel, and relate to one another? Come join another lively discussion of Sacred Eros, and bring munchies to share!

Reading Group: Immigration as a Moral Issue

Tuesdays, October 26th & November 9th ~ 6:30-8:00 PM, Frothingham Library

Repeated, Sundays October 31st & November 21st, 9:30-11:00 am, Carol Smith Room

Join us for a two-part reflection and discussion group in response to Margaret Reagan's recent book *The Death of Josseline: Immigration Stories from the Arizona-Mexico Borderlands* (Beacon Press, 2010, 218 pp). Detailing heartbreakingly real human stories, *The Death of Josseline* invites us to consider how we as a religious community might be called to respond to the complex ethical, moral, and spiritual issues presented on the border. *The Death of Josseline* is being studied as a "common read" by Unitarian Universalist discussion groups across the country in preparation for the 2012 General Assembly to be held in Phoenix, AZ.

This series will be offered twice, with the Tuesday sessions facilitated by our Intern Minister, Rebecca Froom, and the Sunday sessions facilitated by Doug Fiero and Sam Gloyd. During the first session we will reflect on the Prologue through Chapter 4. During the second session we will reflect on Chapters 5-10. Copies of the book will be available for sale during coffee hour starting TODAY!

The Wednesdays: Death in Five Wednesdays

November 3rd, 10th, and 17th plus December 8th and 15th,
6:00-8:00 PM, Frothingham Library

You're welcome to join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for as little or as much as you're able for our next Wednesdays, Arlington Street's literary salon, in which we will explore the world's most perennially fascinating, most mysterious, most frightening to many, most cataclysmic to all, most profoundly important subject in the whole of literature: DEATH. There's not a great writer in world literature who hasn't written about it, and we're reading some of the best. *continued...*

We begin with Tolstoy's *Death of Ivan Ilych* (November 3rd), a classic of Russian literature which tells of a rich, smug, government official who struggles against the agonizing knowledge that he is slowly dying, a final fact that utterly transforms his life. Then Thomas Mann's brilliant *Death in Venice* (November 10th), in which an eminent, lonely German writer sojourning in Venice ignores rumors of an impending plague and chooses instead to remain in the death-haunted city because of his infatuation with the beautiful Tadzio, his memorable angel of death. Antiguan writer Jamaica

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