



Pru in Review ~ March

The Prudential Committee is our governing board, made up of leadership elected by and from Arlington Street members.

The Pru reviewed or discussed reports on:

- Financial status
- Director of Family Ministry Search
- Foundation projects and grant applications
- Accessibility ramp project
- Strategic planning and the Next Steps Weekend

The Pru finalized the charter and members of the Endowment Placement/Line of Credit Task Force.

The Pru supported and recommended the ordinations of Beth Robbins, Liz Weber, and Erica Rose Long.



Greeters Needed This Spring!

Do you want to meet people from all over the world? Would you enjoy sharing the beauty of our Tiffany Windows with others? If so, consider becoming a volunteer greeter with our Visitors Center! Greeters serve as friendly faces at the Arlington Street entrance, welcoming visitors and receiving donations. No experience is necessary, and scheduling is flexible!

Starting April 28th, we will open our doors for another great season of tours! The Visitors Center will be open on Sundays from 1-4 and Wednesday through Saturday from 10-3.

If you are interested or want to learn more, please contact Alissa Butler at abutler@ascboston.org or 602-463-2282.



Intersectional Book Group

Monday, May 21st ~ 5:30 - 7:00 PM, Frothingham Library

Join Rev. Kim for the seventh in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. For this gathering, we'll be reading *Women, Race & Class* by Angela Davis. All are welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

There are many great Arlington Street Church events coming up this spring. Be sure to save the dates for:

- April 29th** Covenant Renewal Sunday
- May 6th** Ordination of Beth Robbins
- May 20th** Youth Bridging Ceremony
- 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.



Join the Social Action Committee

Join our team and get support on the social action topic you are passionate about: voting rights, climate change, economic inequality, gun violence, Citizens United, homelessness, and more. We meet on the second Sunday of each month at 9:30 am. For more information, please contact Margy Herley at SocialAction@ASCBoston.org.
"The service begins when the service ends."

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.

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.

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.

FINDING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET

Main level: Hunnewell Chapel is through the leather door to the right of the pulpit; the **nursery** is off the hallway outside the chapel; **Frothingham Library** is past the stairs and next to the Boylston Street entrance.

Upstairs: Clarke Room is up the stairs outside the nursery.

Downstairs: Parish Hall is the main room; **Carol Smith Room** is to the right of the stage; **Perkins Room** (Children's Religious Education) is just past the kitchen; **Program Room** is at the back of the Perkins Room.

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, APRIL 1ST, 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.

THIS WEEK



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!



Arlington Street's Literary Salon, The Wednesdays: Shakespeare

Wednesdays ~ 6:00 PM, The Vendome, 160 Commonwealth Ave.

(tell the doorman you're there to see Professor Helms)

April 4th ~ Measure for Measure

April 18th ~ Othello

May 9th ~ King Lear

May 23rd ~ Macbeth

Professor Alan Helms says, "Some heavy going there but it will be glorious!" Join him and Rev. Kim at the sixth installment of the Wednesdays Shakespearathon! Reading all 38 of Shakespeare's plays is admittedly a huge ambition, but Shakespeare is, by universal consent, not only the greatest writer in the English language, but one of the immortals of world literature. We'll need patience with archaic language while attending to a plethora of footnotes (there's no doing without them unless you live in a world where you cut your meat with a bodkin and your children say their orizons at bedtime). In other words, these Shakespeare courses are not for the faint of heart. But since it's generally true that "as ye sow, so shall ye reap," the rewards will be enormous. For many of us, this will be one of the great experiences of our lives! *All are welcome!*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Director of Family Ministry Search Update

The search for our new Director of Family Ministry is underway! Please help spread the word about this fabulous opportunity to join our church staff and bring the love and grace of Unitarian Universalism to the lives of families. Please check out the job description on the homepage of ASCBoston.org and consider passing it along to your networks. *Thank you!*



Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Sundays, April 8th and 22nd ~ 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.



Feed 20,000 in Two Hours

Sunday, April 8th ~ 1:00 PM, Parish Hall

Save the date for Arlington Street's 5th annual meal packaging event with Rise Against Hunger! With neighbors from Emmanuel Church, we will be transforming the Parish Hall into an all-ages assembly line. Be part of the fun as we package 20,088 highly-nutritious, dehydrated meals to be shipped across the globe to hungry people in dire circumstances. *All are welcome!* Also, volunteers are needed to help unload the truck Sunday morning at 10:00 am. Your hard work will be rewarded with doughnuts! To sign up, please email Beth at Office@ASCBoston.org.



Only A Child Fundraiser

Sunday, April 8th ~ 2:00 PM, Sons of Italy Hall, 520 Pleasant St., Watertown

Project Only A Child, the program for impoverished youth in Guatemala, founded by ASC's George Leger, is holding its annual spring fundraiser at a new time this year. Enjoy a buffet supper and buy raffle tickets to win restaurant gift certificates, handcrafted Guatemalan textiles, and a set of beautiful boxes made by the young men in Only A Child's carpentry shop. Tickets to the event are \$30 each (\$20 for seniors and students) and can be purchased at www.onlyachild.org or at the door. Please join us for this festive event and the wonderful opportunity to learn more about Only A Child and Arlington Street's work in the world!



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

Tuesday, April 10th ~ 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 (Book Group)*: We continue Pema Chödrön's, *When Things Fall Apart: Heart Advice for Difficult Times*. Please read through Chapter 10. *All are welcome!*

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.

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

This Week

Easter Sunday, April 1, 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 Easter Egg Hunt ~ Parish Hall

Monday, April 2, 2018

*6:00 PM Task Force Committee ~ Perkins Room

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

6:00 PM Worship Meeting ~ Perkins Room
*7:30 PM Spiritual Practice for Professional Caregivers
Frothingham Library

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Thursday, April 5, 2018

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, April 6, 2018

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, April 7, 2018

No congregational events are scheduled

Sunday, April 8, 2018

*9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
9:30 AM Social Action Meeting ~ Carol 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 ASC Circle of Caring ~ Carol Smith Room
12:30 PM Tiffany Meeting ~ Program Room
1:00 PM Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event ~ Parish Hall

* 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



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STREET CHURCH
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Rev. Billy and the Stop Shopping Choir

Saturday, April 21st ~ 7:30 PM, 75 The Great Road, Bedford MA

Enjoy an evening of music and laughter to benefit First Parish in Bedford's Sanctuary Program, which supports immigrants in fear of deportation. Tickets are \$10; no one will be turned away. Please visit facebook.com/events/591663397853911/. All are welcome!



Art & Spirit ~ Writing Workshop led by Karen Hering

Sundays, April 22nd & 29th ~ 12:45 PM, First Church in Boston, 66 Marlborough St.

In guided writing sessions, retreats, and workshops, and now in her award winning book *Writing to Wake the Soul*, Karen Hering invites us to engage writing as a spiritual practice and a tool for social change. Drawing from the wisdom of world religions and folklore, history, science, and literature, Karen's reflections and writing prompts will guide you in exploring your own life and articulating the difficult and illuminating questions of our time. To sign up and for more information, please visit www.firstchurchboston.org/event/5741



The Wednesdays Literary Salon: Richard Wilbur with Professor Alan Helms & Rev. Kim

Final Session: Wednesday, April 25th ~ 6:00 PM, The Vendome, 160 Commonwealth Ave. (tell the doorman you're there to see Professor Helms)

A blurb from Professor Helms: Richard Wilbur, who died last October at the age of 96, was one of the best American poets of his or any other generation. A complete master of poetic forms, he was always deft and poised and intelligent. And with the possible exception of Eliot, no one can match him for wit and grace and elegance. He has soul as well, but his skill is a more perennial attraction. Watching him perform is like seeing the king of acrobats at the peak of his career. Our second Poet Laureate (Robert Penn Warren was the first) and winner of innumerable awards, including a National Book Award and two Pulitzers, he also wrote lyrics for *Candide*, my candidate for best Broadway musical of all time. He was a brilliant translator as well, working with Russian, French, and Spanish writers among others. Here's a teaser for you, called *Exeunt*, that hints at his prowess:

Piecemeal the summer dies;
At the field's edge a daisy lives alone;
A last shawl of burning lies
On a gray field-stone.

All cries are thin and terse;
The field has droned the summer's final mass;
A cricket like a dwindled hearse
Crawls from the dry grass.

I've chosen 36 poems for our three meetings - a tidy dozen per session. Our text is Richard Wilbur: *New and Collected Poems* (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1988). Please be sure to get the correct title! To see which poems we'll be reading, please go to www.ascboston.org/programs/ASCcenter/index.html. Packets of these poems will also be available from Rev. Kim or in the church office.