

invite the true stories of discovering how to claim and celebrate LGBTQ identities or other key moments in that journey. This event is facilitated by True Story Theater, which performs and teaches a magical and inspiring form of improvisational storytelling. To RSVP, call 617.628.2601 ext. 3151. Food from Bertucci's will be provided.

Announcements

Over My Dead Body: How to Plan Your Own Memorial Service

Sunday, April 19th ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Join our Community Minister, Rev. Vera O'Brien, for a hands-on, interactive workshop to plan your own memorial service. We'll talk about memorable services—memorable for better or for worse! Then we'll plan, with the goal that each participant will leave with a draft or finished product that can go on file with the church office and be shared with family and friends.

If you'd like, bring up your lunch from coffee hour, and come with your ideas and any favorite poems or music. Hymn books and other resources will be available. Creating your own service is truly a gift you can give your loved ones.

Rev. Vera is a chaplain at Brigham and Women's Hospital and former Lifespan Educator at ASC. Please contact Rev. Vera at office@ascboston.org for more information or if you have questions.

Prayer Vigil for Immigrant Detainees

Sunday, April 19th ~ 2:00 PM, 20 Bradston Street, Boston

Stop the detentions and deportations and help keep immigrant families together! Join the prayer vigil sponsored by the Boston New Sanctuary Movement at the Suffolk County House of Correction. We will car pool from the church at 1:15. If you want a ride, please email socialaction@ascboston.org.

The Wednesdays: Arlington Street's Literary Salon Whitman's "Song of Myself"

Wednesdays, April 22nd and 29th, May 6th and 13th ~ 6:00-8:00 PM,
Frothingham Library

Join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim to discuss Walt Whitman's "Song of Myself," one of the masterpieces of world literature. Whitman was the first American poet who published in free verse, and the first to write in the American vernacular, eschewing words like "swain" and "sward" and employing Americanisms like "duds" and "pal" and "reckon." He said women matter as much as men, black people matter as much as white people, and sex is nothing to be ashamed of but something to be celebrated, and he's refreshingly irreverent, as when he claims that "The scent of these armpits is aroma finer than prayer," the line which caused Oliver Wendell Holmes to throw his copy in the fireplace. Outside the United States, Whitman is recognized as the peer of Shakespeare, Homer, and Dante. Come one and all to find out why!

This book has slightly different titles, but basically you want *Leaves of Grass*, the Original Edition, (Penguin paperback, usually). You'll find many copies for a penny at Amazon & ABEBooks, or for free at the public library. Please be sure to read Cowley's "Introduction" before our first meeting.

Please join Team ASC for the 19th Annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace

Sunday May 10th ~ 7 AM, Town Field, Dorchester

We hear and read about it every day: needless and senseless violence in our schools, on our streets, and in our neighborhoods. Let's ALL walk the walk that makes it clear: the time to end the violence is NOW.

The walk takes a couple of hours; we'll be back in time for worship at Arlington Street Church. Take the Red Line to Field's Corner, and walk to Town Field. If you drive, you can find parking on the side streets.

This is the annual fundraiser for the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute, which serves as a center of healing, teaching, and learning for families and communities dealing with murder, trauma, grief, and loss. Their principles—Love | Unity | Faith | Hope | Courage | Justice | Forgiveness—are aligned with our Unitarian Universalist principles. If you can, please contribute for supporting the Walk by going to the ASC pledge page for the Walk at this link: <http://goo.gl/krCTMe>. If you have any questions, please email transformation@ASCBoston.org.

Covenant Renewal and Friday Night Supper Appreciation Luncheon

Sunday, May 17th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary and 12:00 PM, Parish Hall

On Covenant Renewal Sunday, members and friends pledge their financial support for the coming church year, which provides almost half of the annual income for our spiritual community and our work in the world. Following worship, once again, in celebration of Covenant Renewal, Friday Night Supper Program's (FNSP) Board of Directors will serve a homemade lunch to thank the congregation for 32 years of support in helping to feed our neighbors who are hungry and homeless. For more information about FNSP, please go to www.fridaynightsupper.org. Thank you for your part in supporting our spiritual home and community!

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, APRIL 12TH, 2015

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, please stop by the kitchen today, or contact Jon Ellertson.

Covenant Renewal: #IamASC

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

We are - every one of us! - the people of the beloved community at Arlington Street. Once a year, we renew our covenant of love and service with one another, and the world. This year's theme is #IamASC! Today, and for the entire month of April, our own Christa Lamb will be in the photo booth to snap your head shot for our #IamASC social media campaign. We'll also be filling in the blanks on ASC "Mad Libs" to share a little bit more about who we are. Come on by after the service and be part of the fun!

Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Today and Sunday, April 26th ~ 12:30 PM, Frothingham Library

Are you battling illness, caring for someone who is ill, struggling with isolation or in the process of losing someone you love? Or have you already lost someone, and are you trying to cope with the heartbreak and anger that accompany loss and grief? If you are currently struggling, or have experienced this or any other type of life crisis and would like to share how you made it through, then please join the Caring Circle.

Maureen Peterson is an ASC member who has lost her parents and her best friend to cancer, her Aunt to Alzheimer's and her brother and close friends to AIDS. Her vision of the Circle of Caring is to create a safe space in which to share our stories, discuss what might help, and just be together in support, in healing, in peace and always in love.

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Hope Out Loud 4: A Praise Celebration with Music, Dance and Spoken Word Performances

Today ~ 3:00 – 5:00 PM, UU Urban Ministry, 10 Putnam St., Roxbury

Featuring community gospel singing, UU musician Shawn McCann and his band, Church Dance Ministry, Boston-area UU Congregations, and more! Free to all, with reception and food to follow.

The Installation of Rev. Rebecca Froom

Today ~ 3:30 PM

United First Parish Church, 1306 Hancock Street, Quincy

Our former intern minister, Rev. Rebecca, will be installed as the Senior Minister at our congregation in Quincy. Let's celebrate! Please RSVP to her church office@UFPC.org or 617.773.1290

The Choice

Tonight ~ 8:00 PM, Sander's Theater, Harvard University

Admission \$12.00; Students \$8.00

The Choice is a play written by Auschwitz concentration camp survivor and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and Elie Wiesel.

This reading of Wiesel's work will be directed by UNESCO Artist For Peace Guila Kessous. *The Choice* marks Wiesel's dramatic effort to explore the depths of our human capacity to kill. Recounting the struggle of members of a resistance movement as they carry out orders from above, Wiesel examines individual human identity and the fine line between innocence and intention. *The Choice* challenges the viewer to actively engage in a situation demanding moral scrutiny while addressing contemporary issues in our global community.

Elie Wiesel is expected to be in attendance. A select number of tickets for *The Choice* can be purchased online at http://ofa.fas.harvard.edu/box_office, by phone at 617-496-2222, or in person at the Harvard Box Office at 1350 Massachusetts Avenue, Holyoke Center Arcade, Cambridge.

This is an article about the performance in the Boston Globe: <http://www.bostonglobe.com/lifestyle/names/2015/03/17/play-penned-elie-wiesel-have-premiere-harvard/FAnhg0WjVgVhOQos0lx7N/story.html>. The Facebook event for the performance is <https://www.facebook.com/events/547469225355668/>.

Social Action Committee's Winter Clothing Drive

Today - May 3rd

Why we are collecting winter apparel now that it's finally Spring? We're hoping that many of you and your neighbors will be disposing of unwanted winter items that can be put to good use. We plan to store cold weather clothing now for next winter, to distribute to people who are homeless. Please help us prevent cold weather injuries, such as frostbite and hypothermia, in a population that faces exposure to the elements on a daily basis. Donations may be dropped off today at the social action table, or during the week at the church office. Thank you!

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

This Week

Sunday, April 12, 2015

- 9:15 AM CRE Committee Meeting ~ Cosi Cafe, 399 Boylston Street
- *9:30 AM Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish Hall, Stage R.
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Arlington Street Circle of Caring ~ Frothingham Library
- 12:30 PM Nominating Committee ~ Smith Room
- 1:00 PM Study Group on Palestine/Israel ~ Church Office

Monday, April 13, 2015

No congregational events planned.

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

- 9:30 AM Unitarian Universalist Advocacy Day ~ Hunnewell Chapel
- 6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Chapel
- 7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

- *11:30 AM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Thursday, April 16, 2015

- 7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, April 17, 2015

- 1:00 - 8:00 PM Directory Photo Shoot
- 5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, April 18, 2015

No congregational events planned.

Sunday, April 19, 2015

- *9:30 AM Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Social Action Committee Meeting ~ Smith Room
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish Hall, Stage R.
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM "Over My Dead Body" - How to Plan Your Own Memorial Service ~ Hunnewell Chapel

* 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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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!

Registration for UU Mass Action's 10th annual UU Advocacy Day is now open!

Tuesday, April 14th ~ 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Arlington Street Church

Keynote Speaker: Senator Brownsberger
Ending Mass Incarceration advocate

Special message: Bill McKibben
world renowned climate activist and co-founder of 350.org

Worship Leaders: Rev. Nathan Detering, Senior Minister
and Rev. Heather Concannon, Sherborn

For more information, please visit
www.uumassaction.org/uuma/10th-annual-uu-advocacy-day/.

Register: <http://tinyurl.com/mzuo33z> Registration Fee: \$25.
Scholarships and reduced price tickets available.

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

Tuesday, April 14th ~ 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.

Buddha's Belly meets at 6 PM. We will begin our discussion of Matthew Bortolin's *The Dharma of Star Wars*. A wonderful and fanciful introduction to the teachings of the Buddha, it explains how life a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away can teach us more about Buddhism. Please read parts I and II, through page 30.

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!

Second chance to be in the photo directory

Friday, April 17th ~ 1:00 - 8:00 PM, Parish Hall

We've scheduled a make up date for you to be a part of our new photo directory program. We need you to make our new album complete! Schedule your photography session today for Friday, April 17th (1-8 PM). Each individual or family will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and free directory for participating (additional photographs may be purchased). Schedule your photography session today downstairs in the Parish Hall or at the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/ascboston-photodirectory>

Stories of Overcoming Obstacles: An LGBTQ Intergenerational Community Event with True Story Theater

Friday April 17th ~ 3:00-5:30 PM

Holden Chapel, Harvard Yard, Harvard University, Cambridge

How in our journeys have we managed to move through barriers to express our true selves? Who or what made a difference? We