

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The Pru in Review ~ April

- The Pru discussed a draft budget and leadership succession for 2012-2013.
- Susie Nacco, treasurer, told us the building permit for the chair lift, which will provide accessibility to the parish hall, has been approved and prep work has already started.
- The stained glass windows along the alley side of the church are receiving an unusual amount of light due to construction next door and have never looked this beautiful. Take a look!

### An Interfaith Conference Toward a More Compassionate Debate on Immigration

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:30-5:00 PM, Church of the Covenant, 67 Newbury Street, Boston

Boston New Sanctuary Movement presents a workshop covering:

- Faith Through Immigration—personal experiences of immigration as a moral and religious issue
- U.S. immigration history and your faith
- Immigration stories in the struggle for workers rights

Lunch will be provided from noon to 1:00 PM by the Brazilian Immigrant Center. Register for the workshop at [www.bostonnewsanctuary.org](http://www.bostonnewsanctuary.org). A \$10 donation is suggested.

### Prayer Vigil for Immigrant Detainees

Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> ~ 2:00 PM, 20 Bradston Steet, Boston

Keep immigrant families together by stopping the raids and deportations. We will leave Arlington Street Church at 1:15 for the vigil at the Suffolk County House of Correction.

### Occupy Your Faith!

#### A Boston Unitarian Universalist Revival

Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 4:00 PM, UU Urban Ministry  
10 Putnam Street in Roxbury MA

Mark David Buckles, Joanna Lubkin, and percussionist Matt Meyer lead an energetic service of song, story, and reflection. Join us as we share in a celebration of the transforming message of Unitarian Universalism (UU)! Worship begins at 4 PM with a shared dinner to follow at 6 PM. Tickets are \$15 to cover our costs. A free-will offering will also be taken for UU social justice work in the city of Boston.

### Volunteers Needed for GLAD's Legal Infoline

Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders (GLAD), New England's leading legal rights organization dedicated to ending discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status, and gender identity and expression, seeks committed volunteers to staff its Legal InfoLine one weekday afternoon a week! Be trained in LGBT/HIV civil rights legal issues. No prior legal experience is needed.

Register now for the next training, May 15<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> (5:30-9:30 PM) and May 19<sup>th</sup> (9am-4 PM). For more information and an application contact Bruce Bell at 617-426-1350 or [bbell@glad.org](mailto:bbell@glad.org) or online at <http://www.glad.org/rights/infoline/volunteer/>.

### COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2012 through June 2013

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We commit an annual total pledge of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to support the work of Arlington Street Church.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- If you are paying with cash via the Sunday collection, please mark the envelope with your name(s) and "2013 Pledge Payment".
- Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church with "2013 pledge payment" written on the check memo line.
- If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete the following:

**Accepted:**  Mastercard  Visa

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: mm \_\_\_\_\_ yy \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please charge my credit card in either:**

- One payment for my entire pledge on July 15, 2012
- 12 equal monthly installments on the 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:JBouchard@ASCBoston.org).

#### INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements before Tuesday noon to [print@ascboston.org](mailto: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, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2012

## TODAY

### Earth Was Given as a Garden

Today ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Our Earth Day service will conclude with a blessing of the earth. Our lawn is being re-imagined, and you are invited to join in the vision by helping to plant the garden! If you have arrived with plants today for the garden, please leave them at the great doors. Thanks to our wonderful, energized Team Eden!

### 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](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org).

### Social Action Book Sale

Today and Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ Noon, Parish Hall

We continue our successful book and DVD sale for two more weeks. Proceeds will be used for social action projects supported by the committee. Please enjoy browsing and buying!

### Tell Me More!

Today ~ 12:00 PM, immediately following service, Hunnewell Chapel

Are you new?

A new U.U. (Unitarian Universalist)?

No clue?

This is for you!

Arlington Street's Membership Team welcomes your questions, your confusion, your longing for spiritual community, your surprise at your deep desire to call this place home. "Tell Me More" will be offered every other week. All are welcome!

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## THIS WEEK

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

Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday throughout the church year. Please feel free to come to the discussion, the meditation, or both.

Buddha's Belly meets from 6 PM to 7 PM. We are currently reading Matteo Pistono's *In the Shadow of the Buddha: Secret Journeys, Sacred Histories, and Spiritual Discovery in Tibet*. For this discussion, please read section two (chapters 4-7).

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!

### **Adult Religious Exploration Team Meeting**

Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room

At our April meeting, the Adult Religious Exploration team will discuss "Connections," our Small Group Ministry Program. New Connections groups will be starting in September. 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.

### **English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults**

Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 10:00 AM, Perkins Room

Learn or improve your English! The class meets twice a week. Students practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. 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.

### **Kundalini Yoga Class**

Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 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.

### **Young Adult Group Dinner/Game Night**

Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM FOOD & 7:00 PM GAMES, Parish Hall

Come at 6 to eat with us, or join us at 7 just for the games. Bring any board/card/social games you want, and join the Young Adult Group in an evening of fun!

## SAVE THE DATE

### **Covenant Renewal: It Takes a Village**

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Next Sunday is a very special worship service! Covenant Renewal provides half of the annual income for this church. As part of today's service, all members and friends will pledge their financial support for the coming church year. Thank you for your part each year in renewing our spiritual home and community.

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

## This Week

### **Sunday, April 22, 2012**

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 Tell Me More ~ Hunnewell Chapel  
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall  
12:30 PM Nominating Committee Meeting ~ Smith Room

### **Monday, April 23, 2012**

\*5:30 PM Internship Committee ~ Frothingham Library  
6:30 PM Membership Team Meeting ~ Perkins Room

### **Tuesday, April 24, 2012**

\*5:00 PM HR Committee ~ Smith Room  
6:00 PM Buddha's Belly~ Hunnewell Chapel  
6:30 PM Adult Religious Exploration Team ~ Perkins Room  
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

### **Wednesday, April 25, 2012**

10:00 AM Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room  
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel

### **Thursday, April 26, 2012**

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal ~ Clarke Room

### **Friday, April 27, 2012**

No congregational events

### **Saturday, April 28, 2012**

6:00 PM Young Adult Dinner/Game Night ~ Parish Hall

### **Sunday, April 29, 2012**

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary  
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary  
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room  
12:30 PM FNSP ASC Appreciation Luncheon ~ Parish Hall  
12:30 PM Nominating Committee Meeting ~ Smith Room  
1:30 PM Inside Out Concert ~ 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 complete, up-to-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit the website.

*For more information, please visit [www.ASCBoston.org](http://www.ASCBoston.org)*



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### **Friday Night Supper Program Appreciation Luncheon**

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ Noon, Parish Hall

The Friday Night Supper Program (FNSP) invites you to lunch! FNSP was founded by Arlington Street Church (ASC) and Dignity Boston in 1984, and has been serving weekly meals to the homeless and hungry in the ASC parish hall ever since! Join us for this annual Appreciation Luncheon that honors the continuing support of our congregation for FNSP. For more information about FNSP, please go to [www.fridaynightsupper.org](http://www.fridaynightsupper.org).

### **Inside Out Concert**

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 1:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

An afternoon of duets, featuring two wonderful musicians from the Boston Symphony Orchestra—violinist Bonnie Bewick and violist Rebecca Gitter, with Eli Epstein acting as our guide.

Today's program is Mozart's Duo No. 1 in G major, K. 423 and Handel-Halvorsen's Passacaglia.

Inside Out builds bridges to audiences by helping us tap into the emotional essence and universal human experience that's inherent in every work of art.

### **Ordination of Rebecca Froom**

Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> ~ 2:30 PM, Sanctuary

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist and Unitarian Society of Germantown (USG) in Philadelphia, invite you to join us in welcoming our Intern Minister, Rebecca Froom into the Unitarian Universalist ministry. A light reception will follow the ordination.

We will be offering home hospitality to members of USG traveling from Philadelphia to Boston. If you are able to host a guest in your home for a night or two, please contact Greg Haig through office@ASCBoston.org or 617-536-7050.

### **The Wednesdays Literary Salon: Wallace Stevens**

Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM (ONE MEETING ONLY), Frothingham Library

Please join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for The Wednesdays literary salon. One of the great modern American poets, Wallace Stevens is also for many a difficult poet: daunting & hermetically private, a poet of alluring, glittering surfaces but impenetrable depths. The goal of this evening's gathering is to demystify Stevens by giving you the simple tools you need not just to make sense of him but (the goal of all reading of poetry) to enjoy him as he himself hoped he would be enjoyed. "Poetry helps people live better lives," he once wrote, meaning not just that we are ennobled through poetry, but that our lives are abundantly enriched through the pleasures that only poetry can provide. "The only emperor is the emperor of ice-cream," he wrote—a way of saying that our pleasures, far from being mere pleasant addenda to our lives, are in fact the fullest, richest meaning of them. All are welcome!

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