



second session, we learn a little of Arlington Street's history, polity, and practices; and meet some of our illustrious leadership and staff. Please sign up at the Welcome Table in the parish hall after the service. All are welcome!

 **CRE Is Going Camping!**
Saturday, May 27th - Sunday, May 28th ~ Temenos Retreat Center


If UU are involved in the CRE program or wish to be, folks of all ages are welcome to come to Temenos for an overnight off the grid! The COA program has opened up this trip to everyone! Please RSVP today by emailing LES@ASCBoston.org Space is limited.

 **Sophia Lyon Fahs Sunday ~ Coming of Age**
Sunday, June 4th, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary


George, Jacob, Lili, Maya, and Nicholas are Coming of Age! This very special worship service features them sharing their Credo ("I believe") Statements.

 **Immigrant Justice Task Force - Meeting**
Wednesday, June 7th, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM in Clark Room

This meeting is open to all at ASC who are interested in working for immigrant justice. We want to formulate a mission statement, and to determine—with the resources that we have—what we can do? How can we become strongly allied with the refugee / immigrant community? What are other congregations and groups around the country doing to offer their support? Are there congregations and groups with whom we could begin working? What are ways ASC congregants may become involved? If you have questions, please contact: socialaction@ASCBoston.org


 **Hate Crimes Hotline**
Attorney General Maura Healey has launched a new hotline to help protect the basic civil rights of residents and visitors to Massachusetts. To report an incident of a bias-motivated threat, harassment, or violence, call 800-994-3228. Learn more at mass.gov/ago.

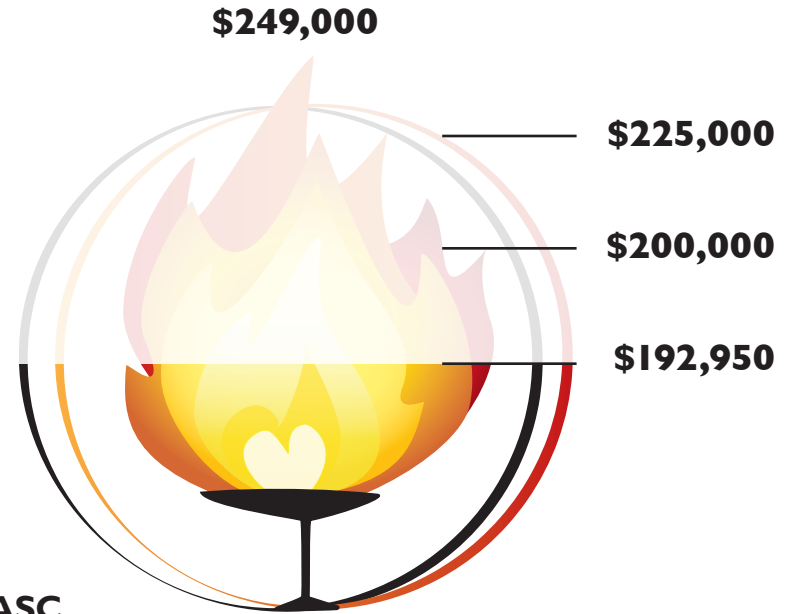
ARLINGTON STREET MINISTRIES

 **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 Program**
Arlington Street's Children's Education Program serves babies through high school age youth. If you are interested in registering your child for CRE or volunteering in the program, please contact Laura Evonne at LES@ASCBoston.org.



#FiredUp4ASC
Fired Up Towards our Covenant Renewal Goal!

Thanks to everyone who made last Sunday the most successful Covenant Renewal celebration in the history of Arlington Street Church! If you have not yet made your pledge for the next church year (Fiscal Year 2018 begins July 1st), please do that now! We are already almost 80% of the way to our goal and waiting for those few outstanding pledges.

Please keep in mind Flame and Smokey's generous match of all new money—new and increased pledges!

As you consider your pledge during Covenant Renewal, please reflect on what Arlington Street Church means in your life. If this community has been transformative for you, consider taking a leap in your level of investment in the church. Coordinating your values with where your money goes is a powerful spiritual practice! The chart below is provided as a guideline to help you align your income amount, level of commitment, and monthly pledge. Thank you for your generosity!

Suggested Fair Share Contribution Guide									
		Supporter		Sustainer		Visionary		Transformer	
Monthly Income	Annual Income	Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge	Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge	Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge	Suggested % of Income	Monthly Pledge
\$1,000	\$12,000	2%	\$20	3%	\$30	5%	\$50	10%	\$100
\$1,500	\$18,000	2%	\$30	3%	\$45	5%	\$75	10%	\$150
\$2,000	\$25,000	2%	\$40	3%	\$60	5%	\$100	10%	\$200
\$3,000	\$36,000	2%	\$60	3%	\$90	5%	\$150	10%	\$300
\$4,000	\$50,000	3%	\$120	4%	\$160	5%	\$200	10%	\$400
\$6,500	\$80,000	3%	\$195	4%	\$260	6%	\$390	10%	\$650
\$8,500	\$100,000	3%	\$255	5%	\$425	6%	\$510	10%	\$850
\$10,000	\$120,000	3%	\$300	5%	\$500	6%	\$600	10%	\$1,000
\$12,500	\$150,000	4%	\$500	5%	\$625	6%	\$750	10%	\$1,250
\$17,000	\$200,000	4%	\$680	6%	\$1,020	7%	\$1,190	10%	\$1,700
\$25,000	\$300,000	5%	\$1,250	6%	\$1,500	8%	\$2,000	10%	\$2,500
\$40,000	\$500,000	6%	\$2,400	7%	\$2,800	9%	\$3,600	10%	\$4,000

Learn more at www.StewardshipForUs.com



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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MAY 14TH, 2017


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. Additional volunteers are always welcome to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To learn more about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen.

THIS WEEK

 **Arlington Street Church Visitor Tours**
Starting Tomorrow, May 15th
The guided tour program for our historic church and its unique Tiffany stained glass windows will begin again on May 15th. Tours will be offered 10:00 am - 3:00 pm on Tuesday through Saturday during May and Monday through Saturday from June to October. Volunteers are needed to warmly welcome our guests from all over the globe! If you are interested in serving as an ambassador or greeter in the visitor's center, please contact office@ASCBoston.org for further details and to sign up.

 **Intersectional Book Discussion**
Monday, May 15th ~ 6:00 PM, Frothingham Library
Join Rev. Kim for the second in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. For this gathering, we'll be reading *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis*. Former Marine and Yale Law School graduate J.D. Vance writes movingly about the Appalachian values of his upbringing in a poor Appalachian town, offering a probing look at the struggles of America's white working class. All are welcome!

 **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!

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Boston Art Song Society Concert

Saturday, May 20th ~ 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

Boston Art Song Society and Arlington Street Church will be co-sponsoring the concert “A Ménagerie of French Mélodie,” a special evening of animal-themed French songs. All proceeds will go to the betterment of the Boston Art Song Society and Arlington Street Church, so bring your friends and family and spread the word!

Tickets are \$20 for the general public, \$15 for seniors and students, and can be bought in advance at www.bostonartsongsociety.org.

Volunteer Ushers Welcome

Would you be willing to serve as a volunteer usher for the Boston Art Song Concert here at the church on May 20th? If you are available to help greet guests, distribute programs, and guide audience members to their seats, please contact preservation.ascboston@gmail.com. Thank you!

Emma’s Revolution CD Release Concert

Saturday, May 20th ~ 8:00 PM, First Parish Cambridge, Harvard Square

Keep the Resistance going with an inspiring concert from “activist power duo” Emma’s Revolution and their All-Star Band, including John R Burr on keyboards and piano and David Rokeach, drums. Tickets \$25 advance/\$28 at the door and online at www.emmasrevolution.com

Pru in Review

Here are a few key highlights from the most recent meeting of the Prudential Committee, the governing board of Arlington Street Church:

- Rev. Kim suggested we have “co” officers to make leadership roles more manageable and to help preserve institutional knowledge.
- Covenant Renewal is going well. Some new practices were instituted this year to make the pledge payments more predictable.
- Art Nava reviewed our financial state and helped us understand the seasonal nature of our operating budget.
- Tina Rose reported that Pinck & Williams presented plans for the ramp and stairs to the Boston Landmarks Commission (BLC). They will present a detailed plan for approval of the stairs at the BLC meeting on May 23rd.
- Ted Rudinsky reviewed the goals of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Foundation and our plans to move forward.
- Eve Lauria collated hundreds of ideas from the congregational retreat and Al Ingram will lead a working group to bring these ideas to the congregation.

Meeting minutes are available upon request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Sunday, May 21st ~ 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. Facilitators Maureen Peterson and Lisa Kirk lend their significant personal and professional experience to create a safe space for sharing our stories and supporting one another through the crises of life.

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

This Week

Sunday, May 14, 2017

- 8:30 AM 21st Annual Mother’s Day Walk for Peace
Town Field, Dorchester
- *9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Social Action ~ Carol Smith Room
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM No formal Children’s Religious Education (CRE)
Childcare provided in the nursery
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall

Monday, May 15, 2017

- 6:00 PM Shambhala: Joy in Everyday Life ~ Hunnewell Chapel
- 6:00 PM Intersectional Book Discussion ~ Frothingham Library
- *6:30 AM Finance Committee ~ Carol Smith Room

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

- 6:00 PM Prudential Committee ~ Perkins Room
- 7:00 PM Transformation Team ~ Frothingham Library

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

- *12:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Thursday, May 18, 2017

- 7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, May 19, 2017

- 5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program (FNSP) ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, May 20, 2017

- 6:00 PM Boston Art Song Society Concert ~ Sanctuary

Sunday, May 21, 2017

- *9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Children’s Religious Education (CRE) -
Nursery, Chapel, Perkins and Carol Smith Room
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Arlington Street Circle of Caring ~ Carol Smith Room
- 12:30 PM ASCares ~ Stage Right Room

* 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



ASCares Committee

Sunday, May 21st ~ 12:30 PM, Stage Right Room

This newly-revived committee’s goal is to foster congregational community by coordinating opportunities for congregants to support one another in times of hardship and celebration. We warmly invite one and all to become involved! What you might do to be of service to other congregants: Can you bring a meal to someone just home from the hospital? Can you give someone a ride to a doctor’s visit? Can you make a caring phone call to see how someone is doing after a loss? Can you send a card to someone who has just had surgery? Can you bring a meal to the parents of a newborn?

ASCares is chaired by Rich Abreu. Be in touch via office@ASCBoston.org if you have interest or questions! We look forward to working together in love and service!

Alleluia!

Sunday, May 21st ~ 3:00 PM, Church of the Covenant in Boston

Coro Allegro is celebrating its 25th year! The concert offers a retrospective on Coro Allegro’s musical history plus surprises, discoveries, and rejoicings! You will hear radiant Alleluia settings from composers from the Baroque to the contemporary—they’ll sound gorgeous in the resonance of the Church of the Covenant! In addition to the extraordinary range of a capella singing that Coro audiences love, we’ll offer highlights from performances that have put Coro on the map — from Rachmaninoff’s sublime All Night Vigil to works by Poulenc, MacMillan, and Ginastera that shine a light on human rights. We’ll reprise our first commission, In the Clearing; settings of Frost poems by Charles Fuchs; and offer two world premieres by Peter Eldridge and Patricia Van Ness as well as a Boston premiere by Jennifer Higdon—all in keeping with our tradition of commissioning works by people who are LGBTQ, women, and other underrepresented composers. Tickets are available online at coroallegro.org or from ASC members Hala Hazar, Steve Vorenberg, or Jim Tice.

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

Tuesday, May 23rd ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

This is our final gathering of the spring. We will resume these wonderful evenings on September 12th!

6:00 Buddha’s Belly: We will complete our discussion of *The Book of Joy* by His Holiness The Dalai Lama and Bishop Desmond Tutu.

7:00 Arlington Street Zen Center: Our gathering will include seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. If you’d like to join Rev. Kim and walk in the Public Garden (optional!), please dress for the weather. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are warmly welcome.

New Member Class

Wednesday, May 24th ~ Spiritual Journey, 6:00 PM, Perkins Room

Sunday, May 28th ~ Meet ASC, 12:30 PM, Chapel

Sunday, June 11th ~ New Member Breakfast/Joining, 9:30 AM, Chapel

All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our next two-session new member class. Rev. Kim joins us for the first session, where we share stories about our spiritual journeys and ask our burning questions. This class is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your relationship and knowledge of Arlington Street, and to discern whether you are ready to join. In our