



Envisioning Our Future

During last winter's Open Space gathering and last spring's Next Steps leadership weekend, Arlington Street members and friends expressed hopes and dreams for this beloved spiritual community. The Pru is now in the process of drafting a vision statement – an aspirational statement of who we want to be in the next five years. Here is the first pass:

- A welcoming sanctuary
- An historic destination for arts and culture
- A hub for progressive values and transformation

Do we have it right? We would love to hear from you! Please speak to any of us (Pru members are listed on the back of the Order of Service) or e-mail us at Prudential@ASCBoston.org. Thank you!

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.



Family Ministry 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 Dave Egan, Director of Family Ministry, at DEgan@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."*



Join the Transformation Team for Racial Justice

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice is an ongoing task force of Arlington Street Church that seeks to identify and eliminate interpersonal and institutional barriers of racism and oppression, and build a justice-seeking, multiracial, multicultural community. If you have suggestions, questions, comments, or concerns for the Team, please email transformation@ascboston.org, attend our open meetings on the third Tuesday of every month from 7 - 8:30 pm, or speak with a team member (Jonah Beukman, Chris Cobb, Sarah Cooleybeck, Rita Falzarano, Margy Herley, Laura Pattison, Barbara Seidl, and Julia Simon). Membership on the Team requires a one year commitment and anti-racism/anti oppression/multicultural training.

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

through June 2019

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an **TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE** of \$ _____

to support the work of Arlington Street Church for 2018-2019.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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

Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm _____ yy _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

One payment for my entire pledge.

Equal monthly installments on the 12th 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**. 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, Congregational Administrator 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; **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** (Family Ministry) 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, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 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.



Thank you, Summer Worship Team!

We are deeply appreciative of the fabulous lineup of speakers, musicians, Worship Team members, ushers, and greeters who created beautiful worship and upheld our beloved spiritual community this summer!



Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Sundays, September 9th & 23rd, Oct. 7th & 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. 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.

THIS WEEK



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

Tuesday, September 11th ~ 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 will discuss our summer reading of Chogyam Trungpa's *Shambhala: The Sacred Path of the Warrior*. 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

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Public Garden (optional!), please dress for the weather. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are warmly 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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Ordination of Liz Weber

Sunday, September 16th ~ 3:00 PM, Arlington Street Church

This is it! Next Sunday the congregations of Arlington Street Church and the Unitarian Universalist Church of Reading will ordain Liz Weber into the Unitarian Universalist ministry! Liz is a lifelong UU, an active member of Arlington Street Church for almost 15 years, and for the past two years has been the intern minister at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Reading. Following the service, there will be a reception. All Arlington Street members and friends are invited to this celebration of our beloved Liz, our ministry, and our faith!



Intersectional Book Discussion

Monday, September 17th ~ 5:30 PM, Frothingham Library

Join Rev. Kim for the eighth in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. For this gathering, we'll be reading *When They Call You a Terrorist: A Black Lives Matter Memoir*, by Asha Bandele and Patrisse Cullors. All are welcome!



Arlington Street's Literary Salon, The Wednesdays: Ovid

Wednesdays, September 19th, October 3rd, & 17th ~ 6:00 - 8:00 PM
The Vendome, 160 Commonwealth Ave.

Ovid's "*Metamorphoses*" is one of the most influential works in Western culture, having inspired Dante, Boccaccio, Chaucer, and Shakespeare among countless others. In fact, "*Metamorphoses*" was Shakespeare's favorite book (he read it in Latin), and it's easy to see why. The stories it contains are endlessly fascinating: Zeus transformed into a shower of gold to ravish Danae, Tiresias turned into a woman and then back into a man, Orpheus torn to shreds by furious Maenads. It runs from the creation of the world to the death of Julius Caesar, containing over 250 narratives in 15 books. Join Rev. Kim and Professor Alan for three sessions and discover why this is one of the most beloved works in all of world literature. We'll be reading the Rolfe Humphries translation published by Indiana University Press. Amazon has many new copies from \$5.00, & you can find used copies even cheaper. *All are welcome!*



Morning Light Concert Series returns this Fall!

Saturdays, September 22nd, October 20th, November 10th ~
11:30 AM, Sanctuary

The wonderful Boston Chamber Music Society is back by popular demand! Last season, our audiences included local fans and visitors from all over the world who made a concert at Arlington Street a highlight of their weekend

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

This Week

Sunday, September 9, 2018

9:00 AM Family Ministry Committee ~ Perkins Room
9:30 AM Social Action Committee ~ Carol Smith Room
*9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Worship Service ~ Sanctuary
12:30 PM ASC Circle of Caring ~ Carol Smith Room

Monday, September 10, 2018

6:00 PM Shambhala Fundamentals of Meditation ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Thursday, September 13, 2018

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, September 14, 2018

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, September 15, 2018

No congregational events are scheduled.

Sunday, September 16, 2018

9:00 AM Family Ministry Committee ~ Perkins Room
*9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Worship Service ~ Sanctuary
3:00 PM Ordination of Liz Weber ~ Sanctuary | 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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in Boston. We take it for granted that we can see the light coming through our magnificent stained glass windows every Sunday. Now let's share the experience with chamber music lovers! Tickets: Arlington Street members receive a 20% discount off the ticket price (tickets are \$29, if purchased before September 9, and \$34 afterwards). Enter discount code "ASC20" during check out when ordering from www.bostonchambermusic.org, or call the BCMS office at 617.349.0086.



Uncomfortable Conversations about Race

Sunday, September 23rd ~ 12:30 PM, Program Room

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice offers this time and space for facilitated discussion and continuing conversation about developing an antiracist worldview. We hold these conversations periodically at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and no RSVP is needed. For more information, email transformation@ascboston.org.



Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, September 30th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Save the date for Arlington Street's annual commemoration of the Feast Day of St. Francis. We celebrate the animal companions in our lives by welcoming them (crated, on a leash, in a bowl, in a photo) to be blessed. Come join in this happy, hilarious, and love-filled worship service!



Share your Wedding Pictures with Us!

Did you get married at Arlington Street Church? If so, we'd love to hear from you! We're launching a new weddings website to increase bookings and would love to share your pictures and stories. If you'd like to help, please contact our Visitor Center executive director, Alissa Butler, at abutler@ascboston.org.



50 After 50

Sunday, October 21st, 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Come get inspired! Maria Leonard Olsen will share the 50 new actions she took and the rewards she earned from her adventures as she reads from her new book, *50 After 50*. Learn how to accomplish new things, acquire new skills, deepen personal and spiritual relationships, and seek out challenges while adding spice to life. Maria Leonard Olsen is an attorney, women writing/empowerment retreat leader, public speaker, and a cohost of the "Inside Out" radio show on WPFW, FM 89.3, in Washington, D.C. She has written for the Washington Post, Washingtonian, Bethesda Magazine, Parenting, and other publications. Maria also counsels women recovering from addiction and trauma. *All are welcome!*



Visitors Center Is Open for Tours!

Sundays 1:00-4:00 PM and Monday through Saturday
from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM (closed Tuesdays)

Greeters Needed This Fall!

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! If you are interested or want to learn more, please contact our Visitor Center executive director, Alissa Butler, at abutler@ascboston.org.