

INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 2008

Today's Events

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Gather with Arlington Street Church's congregation in this lively and social environment. To find the Parish Hall, head downstairs at the rear of the sanctuary. All are welcome.

Organic, Fair Traded Coffee for Coffee Hour Brought to you by the Social Action Committee

The Social Action Committee supplies Equal Exchange Fair Traded, organic coffee for Coffee Hour—good for the farmers, and good for the environment. It's a little more expensive than the average coffee, but we think it's worth it. It's free if you need it to be, but we hope you'll contribute what you can to support the farmers, the environment, and Social Action programs at Arlington Street Church.

Only A Child

Arlington Street Church has steadfastly supported Only A Child, a program serving homeless young men in Guatemala City. Arlington Street's own George Leger, who founded and directs Only A Child, will be on hand again today to answer questions. Beautiful boxes that have been made by the young men in Only A Child will be on display at the Social Action table, and can be purchased for \$25.00. Only A Child is a recipient of a grant from Jubilee, Arlington Street Church's work in the world.

Music at Arlington Street Church

Songs of Thanksgiving

Today, 11:00 AM, in the Sanctuary

This morning, in celebration of Thanksgiving, we are joined by members of the Longwood Symphony Chamber Players, our Artists-in-Residence! They will perform Franz Joseph Haydn's *Quartet in C, Op. 33 No. 3 "The Birds."* The Arlington Street Choir will sing Nick Page's *Honey in the Rock*, Ngapo Wehi's Maori welcome song, *Kua Rongo Mai Koe* and Giovanni Battista Martini's *Domine, Ad Adjuvandum Me Festina (Lord, My God, Assist Me Now)*. *Domine, Ad Adjuvandum Me Festina* will feature members of the Longwood Symphony Chamber Players on strings and Joe DiMarino on harpsichord, and is dedicated to Reverend Chris Buice and the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church.

Love Letters

Inside Out Concert

Featuring musicians from the Boston Symphony Orchestra

Today, 1:30 PM, in the Sanctuary

FREE, donations gratefully accepted

Engage with classical music through the creative listening approach developed by musicians Eli Epstein and Cynthia Ann Hale, as members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra perform Schubert's *Quartett-Satz (Quartet No. 12 in C Minor)* and Janacek's *String Quartet No. 2, "Intimate Letters."* At Inside Out concerts, audience members are guided through narration and demonstration to listen imaginatively into the emotional layers of music. As memories and associations are evoked through the music, connections are made to universal emotional themes. Many concertgoers report that their Inside Out listening experience is unique, meaningful, and changes the way they think about classical music.

Schubert's *Quartett-Satz (Quartet No. 12 in C Minor)*

Janacek's *String Quartet No. 2, "Intimate Letters"*

Elita Kang, *violin*

Jason Horowitz, *violin*

Rebecca Gitter, *viola*

Owen Young, *cello*

Eli Epstein, *tour guide*

Steven Serpa

Countertenor and Composer

Sunday, November 30, 11:00 AM Sanctuary

Countertenor Steven Serpa will join Arlington Streets Church's own Alistair Kok and Joe DiMarino to provide music for the Sunday morning worship service. They will perform Lili Boulanger's *Pie Jesu* and G. F. Handel's *Father of Heaven*, an aria from the oratorio *Judas Maccabaeus*.

Translucence

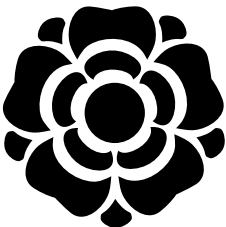
Benefit Concert for World AIDS Day

Steven Serpa, countertenor and composer

Monday, December 1st, 7:30 PM, in the Sanctuary

In honor of World AIDS Day, Arlington Street Church, the AIDS Action Committee of Boston, and countertenor Steven Serpa present *Translucence*. Written 10 years ago by British composer Donna McKeivitt, *Translucence* is an incredibly moving piece of music, invoking the poetry of film director Derek Jarman, who died with AIDS in 1994. It is scored for countertenor soloist, a trio of female voices, viola, and cello.

McKeivitt collaborated with Jarman on the music for his final film, *Blue* in 1993; the work celebrates Jarman's views on living with AIDS: the struggle, the loss, sometimes rhapsodic, sometimes comical. As a companion piece to *Translucence*, the event will also feature a world premiere scored for a quartet of vocalists and string trio, with music composed by Steven Serpa and poetry by Jeffrey Beam.



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Coming Up...

Sunday, November 23rd, 2008

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Spirit in Practice - Stage Right Room
- 12:30 PM Church Council - Clarke Room
- 1:30 PM Inside Out Concert - Sanctuary

Monday, November 24th, 2008

- 7:00 PM *Website Task Force

Tuesday, November 25th, 2008

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

Wednesday, November 26th, 2008

- 3:30 PM *Staff Meeting - Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Hunnewell Chapel

Thursday, November 27th, 2008

Church office closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Friday, November 28th, 2008

- 5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program - Parish Hall and Kitchen

Saturday, November 29th, 2008

No congregation related events at this time

Sunday, November 30th, 2008

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Spirit in Practice - Stage Right Room

* This program is currently closed. Check *Inside* for the next open meeting.

NOTE: This calendar is accurate as of noon the Wednesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation. For complete, up-to-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit www.ASCBoston.org.

Autumn

Longwood Symphony Orchestra Chamber Players

Sunday, December 7th, 3:00 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel

Arlington Street Church welcomes back our Artists-in-Residence, the Longwood Symphony Orchestra! Join the LSO Chamber Players & Friends for an afternoon recital of Mozart, Beethoven, Piazzolla, and Brahms!

Mozart: *Quartet No. 17 in Bb, K. 458 "Hunt"*

Beethoven: *Piano Trio No. 4 in D, Op. 70 No. 1 "Ghost"*

Piazzolla: *Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter for Piano Trio*

Brahms: *Trio for Piano, Violin and Waldhorn in Eb, Op. 40*

Alistair Kok and Anna Leibinger, violins

Susan Kirchhausen, viola

Jamie Schlessinger, cello

This concert is offered free of charge, but donations are encouraged.

Children's Religious Education

Today the children of our church school will explore Thanksgiving and living with gratitude for all that we are given. All children are welcome to join Erick DuPree, religious educator, at the front right of the sanctuary at the beginning of the service.

Congregational Announcements.

The Wednesdays: Auden

December 3rd, from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM, in the Frothingham Library

Please mark your calendars now to Join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for this late Autumn literary salon, featuring the poetry of W.H. Auden (1907-1973). All are welcome!

Any text of Auden's poetry will probably do, but we'll be using the Modern Library *Selected Poetry of W. H. Auden*. Copies are available for \$1.00 at abebooks.com. Here are the poems for our meeting. Happy reading!

"Ganymede"

"The Surgical Ward"

"The Sphinx"

"Rimbaud"

"Who's Who"

"Song of the Master and Boatswain"

"The Unknown Citizen"

"September 1, 1939"

"Shield of Achilles"

"Under Sirius"

The Second Annual Las Posadas

Sunday, December 7th, begins at 3:00 PM,
near the Park Street Station on Boston Common

Join us for a huge parade of faithful souls, an afternoon of fellowship, music, food, and a unique firsthand experience of a powerful immigrant tradition that is as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago. This is a great way for communities of faith to celebrate dignity and justice with each other and some of our most marginalized members of society.

There will be a procession around Boston Common ending with a traditional fiesta from 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM at the offices of the Service Employees Internation Union 615 at 26 West Street, (3rd floor), in Boston. For more information, contact Jennifer Chow at Jennifer.Chow@bcbsma.com or 617-246-3509. To RSVP go to www.masscs.org.

Environment and Energy Forum

Wednesday, December 10th, 6:30 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel

You are invited to join James Hunt, chief of environmental and energy services for the city of Boston, as he discusses innovative programs and policies that Boston has implemented to protect the environment, reduce energy use, and control greenhouse gas emissions.

This event is co-sponsored by Arlington Street Church's Green Sanctuary Committee and Boston's Environmental and Energy Services department. The department's mission it to preserve and enhance the resources of the city's built and natural environment; and to promote safe, reliable, affordable, and efficient energy systems. Finding solutions to environmental issues, energy issues, and climate change are of the highest priority to Mayor Menino.



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Tool Time: Rebuilding New Orleans

Fall is a great clean-up time, especially in the basement and tool shed. Do you really need ten screw drivers or five hammers? Or that never used power tool? Are you planning to make a holiday donation? Why not consider cleaning up some of those old tools you never use, or pick up a few new ones, and donate them to help rebuild the lower ninth ward in New Orleans? Lowernine.org was started by the spouse of a Unitarian Universalist minister who has dedicated his time to rebuilding the lower ninth ward. One trailer will be leaving the Boston area for New Orleans at the end of November, and another just after the first of the year. Our hope is to fill them to the brim with new and used tools.

Are you toolless? Haven't got a hammer to spare? Don't fret, Lowernine.org accepts gift cards from Lowes and Home Depot. If you have a large tool we can arrange pick up, or bring your tools to the Parish Hall before or after service, or hand them off to an usher. We will arrange to get them to the tool trailer. For more information or to arrange a pickup of your tools, please e-mail NewOrleans@ascboston.org. Many thanks from the Partner Church Coordinating Committee.

Take Action Against Racism

Come to the Social Action table to join the Rapid Response Team which is a project of Community Change Inc. The Rapid Response Team is a group of individuals in the the Greater Boston area who take action against racism under the leadership of people of color. Join the team and commit to actions such as writing a letter, attending a demo, or talking to legislators. Several Arlington Street Church members joined at an informational meeting last week. Join us!

Other Announcements

Give Thanks...



At the Fourth Annual
Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday, November 25th – 6:00 P.M.
at Church of The Covenant
67 Newbury Street (corner of Newbury & Berkeley)

Rev. Kathy McAdams of Ecclesia Ministries
Featuring the Thanksgiving Chorale 2008
under the direction of Mr. Tom Handel

This service is offered for the people of Boston by the Back Bay Clergy Group, representing many places of worship in the heart of Boston.

For more information: 617-266-7480 ext. 201

The Thanksgiving Collection will be donated to the Ecclesia Ministries.
Non-Perishable donations to the food cupboard of Church of the Covenant are welcome.

Friday Night Supper Program, Inc

Help your homeless and hungry neighbors!

The Friday Night Supper Program has been serving meals to over 150 disadvantaged people every Friday evening, never missing a single week, serving on holidays and through snow, storms, and power outages for almost 25 years. Here are two important ways in which you can support the Friday Night Supper Program:

HELP US REPLACE OUR FREEZER

This year we will have to replace our freezer. After ten years of constant use, our current chest freezer is giving up. The doors no longer close properly, and it requires defrosting every week. This freezer is essential to the operation of our program.

The dimensions of our current freezer are 24 cubic feet (width 25 inches, length 70 inches). If you have a freezer in good working condition that you would like to donate, or you know of a retailer willing to make a donation to our non-profit, please contact us. We can only accept a freezer equal to or less than the above dimensions due to space restraints.

SUPPORT OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAGS

Each December, during our holiday meal, we distribute a holiday bag to our guests consisting of the following:

1. Warm item of clothing – men’s hat, gloves, or scarf
2. Toiletries - shampoo, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste
3. Pair of men’s socks
4. Holiday candy

You can support this annual tradition by donating warm clothing and toiletries. You can also create a holiday bag with the above items which we will give to a guest on your behalf. This year our holiday meal is on Friday, December 19th.

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 or leave a note in the suggestion box outside the Church Office. 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.

Inside Submission Guidelines

Please deliver all Sunday announcements before Tuesday at noon by e-mail to inside@ASCBoston.org. Announcements will not be accepted by telephone. 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.

Scheduling Events at Arlington Street Church

All issues dealing with building usage for both congregational usage and rentals, must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, 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

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office. 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! Also, please be attentive when exiting the church into the alley. When walking in the alley avoid being alone, carry a cell phone, walk in the center of the road, and pay attention!

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