Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – DECEMBER 7, 2014

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Simply drop it into the offering plate, or hand it to an usher after the service.

- \Box I/we are visiting for the first time.
- \Box I/we have been attending ASC for
- □ I/we would like a permanent name tag(s) for Sunday worship. (Name tags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
- □ How did you hear about Arlington Street?

I prefer to be contacted by:

 \square Mail \square Phone \square E-mail \square No preference

I would like to know more about:

□ Membership Classes/Joining ASC □ Choir/Music

□ Social Action □ Children's Religious Education

□ Adult Religious Education & Connections (ASC's small group ministry)

 \Box Young Adult Group \Box Other ____

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

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At Your Service:

- * If you would like a large print order of service and hymns, or Brailled hymns
- * If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- * If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Art Nava* Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge* Lead Greeter, *Rachel Corey* Lead Usher, *Philip Roberts* Worship Coordinator, *Tricia Boulet* Assistant Treasurers, *Philip Roberts and Scott Schroeder*

Our Unitarian Universalist Faith

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:

Alex Frost (chair) / Greg Haig (vice-chair) Christine Curtiss / Dave Erbe / Mary Marcel Kerry Marshall / Dan Moon / Tina Rose Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Tori Bell & Desmond Ravenstone (co-moderators) Doc Kinne (clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available!

Please ask an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

Staff Directory

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Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 2014 Advent 2: Peace

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM PROMOTES SEVEN PRINCIPLES

~ Our Fourth Principle ~

We believe in a free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

Arlington Street Church Boston, Massachusetts Founded in 1729 Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7^{TH} , 2014

*You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.

Prelude

Introduction and Passacaglia Max Reger (1873-1916) Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

INTROIT

Angels from the Realms of Glory

text: James Montgomery (1771-1864) music: Henry Smart (1813-1879) arr. Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH ~ ADVENT 2: PEACE

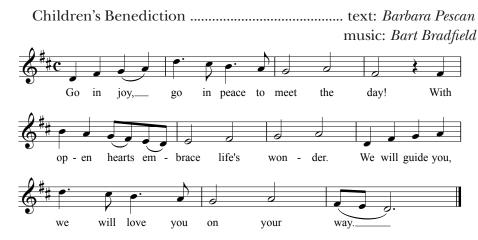
Peace Is Dan and Eteline Brotman

*HYMN 226

People, Look East

GREETINGS

CHILDREN'S BLESSING



At this time, all children are welcomed to Children's Religious Education!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until the beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of Healing Prayer.

Healing Prayer music: Nick Page (b. 1952)

text: African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano



AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit	El amor es el espíritu
of this congregation,	de nuestra congregación
And service is our gift.	Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
This is our great covenant:	Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
To dwell together in peace,	Convivir en paz,
To speak our truths in love,	Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
And to help one another.	Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.
* Hymn 236 O Thou Joyful Day	arr. <i>Mark David Buckles</i> (b. 1980)

Sermon	 Rev.	Kim	K.	Crawford Harvie	

Telling Secrets

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Jesus, bleibet meine Freude (Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring) Chorale from Advent Cantata BWV 147 text: Martin Janus (1620-1682)

music: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

We share half of the morning's offering with a community partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. Over 300 pledging members and friends also support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!"

OFFERTORY

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 235 Deck the Hall

*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

When you walk from here, When you walk from here, Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Fantasia in F Major Giovanni Battista Polleri (1855-1923) Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, organ

Following this morning's service, Rev. Kim looks forward to greeting you at the great doors. Mark David Buckles invites those interested to join him in listening to the postlude.

guests.

O die vrolike (O Thou Joyful Day) Johann Gottfried Herders (1744-1803)

Berg River Choir Sherlock Fortuin, conductor

Tiffany Stained Glass Window Campaign Polly Latham

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good music: Tom Witt, arr. Buckles

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, children and youth will be gathering in the Perkins Room to make scarves for the Mitten Tree. Next Sunday, we will decorate our mitten tree with gifts of woolens for our Friday Night Supper Program

If you are interested in volunteering with CRE or would like to learn more about our program, please email cre@ascboston.org.