## **Covenant Renewal Speech for 4/24 ~ Reese Millican**

My name is Reese Millican and I have been a member of Arlington Street Church since 2011. At ASC I get to rest three hours a week from the daily bustle and reflect on higher principles. With the help of Mark David Buckles and the Choir over these past five years, I have started to think of myself as a musician of sorts. I have made friends who become roommates that allowed me to pay rent. Through this church I met my partner in crime, Teresa Lardo, who I now live with, and we will be celebrating our 4th anniversary this year! Woohoo! She also helps me pay rent.

I have received so much from Arlington Street Church, so I chose to give back.

Covenant Renewal is our annual fundraising drive for the operating budget of Arlington Street Church. We will make our pledges and celebrate our generosity on May 15th, Covenant Renewal Sunday. Since this is Leap Year, our Covenant Renewal theme is 'Leap for ASC. We are challenging everyone to find their own meaning of 'leap' and their own way to respond." For me, "leap" means to give a little more. Perhaps increasing your pledge by 10 percent, or vonlunteering for the spiritual practice of cleaning up in the kitchen once per month.

I invite you to join me in taking a LEAP for Arlington Street Church by giving generously to support the good work of our beloved community. Hash tag Leap-4-ASC. Thank you!