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## ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2003  
Homecoming Sunday

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### Today's Events

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#### **Sermon Discussion**

12:15 PM in the Hunnewell Chapel

Still thinking about today's sermon? Join Jim Buckley after today's service for connection and discussion in a small and intimate setting.

#### **Coffee Hour**

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Check out all the activities of ASC's congregation in this lively and social environment. All are welcome.

#### **ASC Patriots for Peace: After the War**

1:00 PM in the Senior Minister's Study

All peacemakers are invited to join Kim in her office following the worship service to discuss new directions for ASC's Patriots for Peace, formed one year ago.

#### **Mini Intro to Unitarian Universalism**

12:30 PM in the Stage Right Room

This 30-minute program for newcomers provides a brief introduction to the church and Unitarian Universalism on Sundays after worship. Drop in for a "Mini" on the first Sunday of the month. Come! Meet some other newcomers and Gene Navias, our retired Associate Minister, who conducts the program.

#### **A Vigil of Remembrance**

Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 PM

Please join as our community gathers for this service of remembrance for the tragic events of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001. The service will be lead by our ministers and will include time for prayer, meditation and sharing.

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## Upcoming Worship Highlights

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### High Holy Day Sunday

Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 11:00 AM

This Service, during the week of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, will feature prayers, readings and music from the Jewish Tradition. Rabbi Howard Berman will deliver the sermon: “Repentance, Return and Forgiveness”.

### Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM

Each year on a Sunday near St. Francis Day, we celebrate the animal companions in our lives by welcoming parishioners to bring their pets (crated, on a leash, in a bowl, or controlled in some manner!) to be blessed. Join us for this happy, hilarious, and love-filled worship service.

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## The Arlington Street Center for Liberal Religious Inquiry and Spiritual Practice

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**Please note:** below is a listing of select upcoming events in the ASCenter. For a complete listing of all ASCenter events or information about registering, please refer to the ASCenter Program guide available during Coffee Hour, or to the ASC website: <http://www.ASCBoston.org/ascenter/>.

### Buddah’s Belly

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays

Next: Tuesday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM in the Senior Minister’s Study

The Buddha’s Belly reading group meets twice monthly to discuss issues of spiritual practice from a Buddhist perspective. Members come from many different faith traditions and religious practices. New members are welcome whenever a new book is started (Two or three times a year). The upcoming book for this fall is *Zen Mind, Beginners Mind* by Shunryu Suzuki.

### Arlington Street Zen Center

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays

Next: Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM in the Clarke Room

An evening of meditation practice, led by Kim Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister. Sessions include seated & walking meditation, Dharma talk, and conversation. This practice is open to all, beginning and experience practitioners.

# Calendar This Week

## Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2003

- 9:30 AM Social Action Committee - Clarke Room
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM Mini-Intro - Stage Right Room
- 1:00 PM Patriots for Peace - Minister's Office

## Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2003

no congregation-related events

## Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2003

- 5:30 PM Finance Committee - Church Office
- 5:30 PM ARE Committee - Perkins Room
- 7:00 PM Zen Center

## Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2003

- 6:00 PM Yoga - Chapel
- 6:00 PM Parish Concerns - Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM FNSP Board Meeting Kitchen

## Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2003

- 12:00 PM Vigil of Remembrance - Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Choir Practice - Clarke Room

## Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2003

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

## Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2003

no congregation-related events

## Gay Men's Support Group

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

Next: Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 PM in the Stage Right Room

This semi-monthly discussion group is a continuation from the Spring term. This Fall the group will focus on issues pertinent to gay men, including:

- Relationships – with other gay men, with women, with society as a whole, and with ourselves as individuals
- Our social selves – what do we do for entertainment?
- Spiritual components of our lives – what needs does ASC fill in our lives?

In a safe, supportive atmosphere, we will share ongoing facilitation that focuses on whatever issues the group determines are important.

## UU's and Reform Jews

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays

Next: Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM in the Sanctuary

In observance of this year's milestone commemorations – the bicentennials of Emerson's birth, Channing's ordination and the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Jewish life in America, this course will

## Calendar Next Week

### **Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM Gay Men's Support Group - Stage Right Room
- 12:30 PM Green Sanctuary - Church Office
- 3:00 PM Boy's Choir Concert - Sanctuary

### **Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

- 7:30 PM Gay Men's Small Group - Chapel

### **Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

- 6:00 PM Prudential Committee - Perkins Room
- 6:30 PM UU Affairs Committee - Clarke Room

### **Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

- 6:00 PM Yoga - Chapel
- 6:30 PM UU'S and Reform Jews - Sanctuary

### **Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

- 7:00 PM Choir Practice - Clarke Room

### **Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

- 6:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program - Parish Hall

### **Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

- no congregation-related events

explore the origins and development of two major liberal religious traditions in the United States, Unitarian Universalism and Reform Judaism. The common themes and issues, controversies and debates that emerged in both communities will be studied, as well as the major figures who shaped both Movements in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

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## Music@ASC

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### **South Africa's Drakensberg Boys Choir**

Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 PM

South Africa's acclaimed Drakensberg Boys Choir will sing at our Sunday worship on September 14<sup>th</sup> and perform a concert later that afternoon at 3:00 PM. The choir's forty-four young men will present a varied program capped by songs and dances of South Africa's indigenous peoples. The Drakensberg's appearance in the Music@ASC series is sponsored jointly by the Youth Choir Foundation and Boston City Singers, Boston's dynamic children's choir led by Artistic Director Jane Money. Concert tickets are \$12 and can be purchased with a credit card at [www.YouthChoirInfo.org](http://www.YouthChoirInfo.org) or by phone at 617-247-4248. MC/Visa will be accepted at the door.

## **Recital: Stephanie McGuire**

Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 PM

Stephanie's voice has become well-known at ASC over the last year through the many solos during Sunday morning services. Stephanie's talents are celebrated both here at ASC and at the Longy School where she is completing her Master's degree. Stephanie will be accompanied by ASC's own spectacular pianist, Vytas Baksys, in this not-to-be-missed recital.

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## **Other Events**

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### **“United for Justice with Peace”: A Candlelight Vigil**

Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

The Candlelight Vigil on the Boston Common (opposite the Cathedral Church of St. Paul) is one of many vigils being held across the country on the eve of 9/11 to honor those killed on 9/11. It is sponsored by the Alliance for Jewish Muslim Understanding, Inc., Peaceful Tomorrows, United for Justice with Peace, CPPAX and area religious institutions.

### **Teach In and Creative Action**

Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

From September 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, the World Trade Organization (WTO) holds its 5<sup>th</sup> Ministerial meeting in Cancun, Mexico. In Mexico and around the world there will be massive demonstrations to demand a world that puts democracy and dignity ahead of corporate profits. September 13<sup>th</sup> will be a Worldwide Day of Action Against Corporate Globalization and War. Visit [www.justicewithpeace.org](http://www.justicewithpeace.org) for more information.

### **GBIO Delegates Assembly: An opportunity for faith in action**

Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2003

Join with other GBIO leaders to help build a 3 month campaign, bringing public and private sectors together to begin to negotiate on the issues identified as priorities in our community: affordable housing, immigrants concerns, nursing home care and youth/education.

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## **Covenant/Small Group News**

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### **Gay Men's Spirituality Small Group**

Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM

Continuing the work begun at the highly successful ASC Gay Men's Retreat last June, we are pleased to announce the formation of a continuing Gay Men's Small Group to explore the