

# INSIDE

## ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2004  
Choir Sunday

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### Today's Events

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#### 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. Sandwiches, chips, and drinks are available for sale. All are welcome.

#### Sermon Discussion

Fifteen minutes after the service in the Sanctuary

Still thinking about today's sermon? Join others after today's service for connection and discussion in a small, intimate setting. Visitors are always welcome.

#### 50 Plus Meets Today!

12:30 PM in the Stage Left Room

Note: We're sorry about the Walden Pond conflict, but we scheduled our last meeting of the program year for this Sunday in order not to conflict with Memorial Day.

*50 Plus* is a diverse gathering of ASC folks who seek the company and support of others in and around their age. This week, Olive Silva will be sharing some of her personal essays, and we'll talk about ideas for summer outings. The group always welcomes new members.

#### ASC's Annual Outing: Walden Pond

Today! 12:30 - 5:00 PM

Worship at 11:00 AM, followed by our annual field trip to Walden Pond! Join us for a walk around the pond (or relaxing on the beach; reading material from Thoreau will be provided!), a picnic (bring your own, or purchase it at our Sandwich Board), and maybe the first swim of the season! The yellow school bus will leave ASC at 12:30 PM and return at 5:00 PM.

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### Worship Highlights

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#### See You in Church!

Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM

For this Memorial Day Sunday, Kim will be joined in the pulpit by our own Jeff Perkins, co-author of the newly-released *You Have the Power: Choosing Courage in a Culture of Fear*. Jeff's co-author is Frances Moore

Lappé, author of the timeless *Diet for a Small Planet*. Jeff is the founder of **Curious Minds**, dedicated to helping young people clarify and enter their life's work, and a totally magnificent human being. The Arlington Street Chamber Players will perform in this special service.

## **ASC Pride Celebration**

Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM

This year's annual pride celebration will be held in honor of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court (SJC) Plaintiffs who have pioneered this historic era! The "Massachusetts Seve" couples, whose courage and commitment won the SJC Goodridge Decision, will be our honored guests at this year's pride service. Our own ASC members Rob Compton and Dave Wilson will share a personal message. Great Spirit... Great Music... Great Joy... and then into the parade and festival!

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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 further information on these and other courses and programs, and to register, please **visit the ASCenter Table** in the Parish Hall during today's Coffee Hour or online.

### **Tea for Trying Times – last meeting of the year!**

Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM in the Chapel

Join Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, senior minister, for *Tea for Trying Times* every fourth Thursday evening of the month from 5:00 - 6:00 PM, September through May. These are trying times!

### **Spiritual Encounters at the MFA**

May 26<sup>th</sup> and June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

The Arts and Spirituality Covenant Group hosts an evening at the **Museum of Fine Arts, Boston** with Rabbi Howard Berman. Rabbi Howard will lead a small group of 15 through select exhibits that depict spiritual themes in the great painting and sculpture of various world cultures. Interested? Please sign up for one of the two sessions by contacting Lynne Jacoby at: [ljacoby@sfcinc.org](mailto:ljacoby@sfcinc.org) or by phone at: 781-641-0527 (Please leave your name and phone number for a confirmation call back). Admission to the MFA is free; a donation is suggested.

### **The Wednesdays: A Literary Salon**

Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Senior Minister's Study

*The Wednesdays* season concludes with a one-day Emily Dickinson extravaganza! Join Prof. Alan Helms and Kim for an evening's introduction to the prolific and terrifically gifted poet of Amherst. We will be reading *Final Harvest: Emily Dickinson's Poems*, edited by Thomas H. Johnson (Little, Brown). Officiantatos, the uninitiated, and the rest of us are all welcome!

## Calendar This Week

### Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004

- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Sermon Discussion - Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM Gay Men's Support Group - Stage Right Room
- 12:30 PM 50 Plus - Stage Left Room
- 6:00 PM Young Adult Group - Parish Hall

### Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2004

no congregation-related events

### Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2004

- 5:00 PM Tea for Trying Times - Chapel
- 6:00 PM Buddha's Belly - Senior Minister's Study
- 7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center - Chapel

### Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004

- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Chapel
- 6:00 PM Parish Concerns - Perkins Room

### Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004

- 6:30 PM Membership Committee - Perkins Room
- 7:00 PM ASC Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

### Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2004

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

### Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004

no congregation-related events

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## Children's Religious Education

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### News from the CRE Program

Our Children's Education Program (CRE) curriculum is based on the "Spirit Play" approach, which links stories and activities to *promises* that reflect the *Seven Purposes and Principles of Unitarian Universalism*. In honor of today's trip to Walden pond, our story will be *Henry Hikes to Fitchburg* by D.B. Johnson. After church we will go to Walden Pond for a family picnic. Note: **CRE will not meet on May 30, but will resume on June 6 for the AIDS Walk.**

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## Music@ASC

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### Calling All Choir Angels!

So far this church year, many of your fellow ASCers have already taken the extra step of becoming *Choir Angels*: friends of the music program here at ASC. Their names are listed below. As we celebrate another Choir Sunday at ASC, and prepare to balance the books for the close of the year, your help – in any amount – is needed. If you'd like to support music, please place a check in the collection plate with "Music" in the memo line. Alternately, you can use the pew envelopes to give cash. Many thanks!

## Calendar Next Week

### **Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Sermon Discussion - Sanctuary

**Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2004** – Memorial Day (Office Closed)  
no congregation-related events

### **Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004**

- 6:00 PM Agenda Committee - Church Office
- 6:00 PM Worship Committee - Senior Minister's Study

### **Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004**

- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Chapel
- 6:00 PM Building Committee - Church Office

### **Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004**

- 7:00 PM ASC Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

### **Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

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

### **Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

no congregation-related events

### **Donors to the music program since September 2003:**

Christina Brinkley, Janice Brunts, Trey Campbell, Kay Carson, Cathy Collins, Robert Compton, Emily Dunn, Bonnie Kawchuk, Michael Keane, Katarina Middlefort, Laura Pattison, Sarah Richards, Cora Roelofs, Mary Mae Tanimoto, Joyce Tanner, Jim Tice, Donald Tucker, Ann Troise, Kevin Tyrrell, Maureen Walsh, David Wilson.

(Note: if your name has been left off of this list, send Miguel an e-mail at [MFelipe@ASCBoston.org](mailto:MFelipe@ASCBoston.org) so he can include you in the future!)

**THANK YOU!**

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## Covenant Groups

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### **Dorchester Covenant Group Meets**

Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM

Following great sharing and a discussion on service led by Janet Newsom, the Dot Group scheduled its next meeting at the home of Paul Babbitt. Come one, come all from Dorchester, Quincy and environs. Dick Pooler will lead our sharing and discussion. To RSVP, get driving instructions and/or further info Email Paul at [paulprop@aol.com](mailto:paulprop@aol.com) or phone him at 617-288-5275.

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## Other Notices

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### **Please Help Us Update the Usher List!**

It's time to do housecleaning of the usher list. If you want to usher on Sundays, please send Peter Lowber your name, phone number, and

email address an email to [plowber@hotmail.com](mailto:plowber@hotmail.com) or call him at 617-522-4982. You are also encouraged to contact Peter to be removed or to have your information updated.

Peter Lowber, Head Usher  
(and ushers Rob Cuddi, Phillip Roberts, and Ellen Spencer)

## **Are You Sure You're Registered?**

If you've moved or haven't voted in a while, you may no longer be registered to vote. The ASC Votes social action task force will be registering people in the vestibule after the service and downstairs at social hour. It just takes just a minute or two. If you're already registered or can't vote in the U.S., stop by and sign up to help other people to register, here at ASC and out in the broader community. With a presidential election coming up and major action happening on topics like same-sex marriage, it's a particularly important time to put our UU faith in the value of the democratic process into action and get out and vote.

## **Attending to Details**

As we approach the end of our fiscal year and the beginning of the next, please help us in properly recording your contributions by specifying either "FY2003/2004" or "FY2004/2005" on your check on envelope. Thank you!

## **NAMES Project Boston Needs Your Help**

What can you do to help educate our children and arm them with correct information? Join NAMES Project Boston so you can make a difference by working a display in a school, church or community center and helping protect the world's greatest natural resource, our *children*. For more information contact NAMES Project Boston at 617-236-8226 and ask for Lorraine, or speak to Rob Cuddi here at ASC. Meetings at Boston City Hall, 6:00 PM, Room 801, first Monday of the month, or attend a quilting Bee at the Boston Living Center the first and third Thursday of each month.

## **Flower Power Update**

If you would like to dedicate flowers for our sanctuary, please call Corey Spence in the office at 617-536-7050 ext 10. Corey will check for conflicts with chosen dates and get the information to be printed in the bulletin. Our new Flower Coordinator, Louise Venden, will contact you and determine the types of flowers you would like and the amount you would like to spend. We hope that this process will allow you more flexibility in the type of arrangement you donate and make sure that your gift will be correctly listed in the Order of Service.





## ASC's 275th Anniversary 2004-2005

Our new Anniversary Logo says it all!

Plans continue for the exciting series of special commemorative events and celebrations that will highlight the coming program year at ASC. Distinguished guest speakers, celebrity performers, special educational and musical programs, public exhibits and community events will all help pay tribute to the colorful historic tradition of this Congregation. Our Committee will be working throughout the summer months, to plan for the activities that will begin this fall. We welcome additional members who have special interests or expertise in the following areas:

Historical Research, Fund Raising Auction, Writing and Publications, Ushering/Ticket Sales, Neighborhood Events, Exhibitions, Interfaith Dialogue, Decoration, Walking Tours, Event/Party Planning, Hospitality/Receptions, Public Relations/Publicity

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Anniversary weekend of Celebration and Rededication

Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup> – Gala Benefit Birthday Party

Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> – Service of Rededication

Further details and schedules will be announced over the summer and early fall. To participate in this exciting project, please contact Rabbi Berman's office at 671-536-7050, ext. 12. Plan to be a part of this unique milestone, as we proudly "celebrate our heritage and envision our future" together!

#### THE ABCs OF ASC

ASC: Arlington Street Church  
ASCP: Arlington Street Chamber Players  
ASOC: Arlington Street Outing Club  
ARE: Adult Religious Education  
CRE: Children's Religious Education  
FNSP: Friday Night Supper Program  
GBIO: Greater Boston Interfaith Organization  
SAC: Social Action Committee  
UU: Unitarian Universalism  
UUA: Unitarian Universalist Association  
UUSC: Unitarian Universalist Service Committee  
UUUM: Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministries

#### SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ASC

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 - Thursday 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](mailto:JBouchard@ASCBoston.org).

#### INSIDE ASC SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please deliver all Sunday announcements (including flower dedications) *before Tuesday at 10:00 PM* by e-mail to [inside@ASCBoston.org](mailto:inside@ASCBoston.org); or to the Church Office. 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 ASC events or the wider UUA community.

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