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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2008

Welcome, Little Windows!

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.

To Renewal House with Love

Today

This is our annual food drive for the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry's shelter for women and children escaping domestic violence. Starting today we're collecting "kid food" – think mac'n'cheese, juice boxes, peanut butter and jelly, little boxes of raisins, and other things you can't imagine you ever loved to eat! All food will be delivered to Renewal House on Valentine's Day. Thank you!

You are also invited to support Renewal House by sponsoring a scarf in your name (scarf and donation will be given to Renewal House), or by buying a scarf for yourself (money will be donated to Renewal House). Adult scarves \$10; children's scarves \$5.

Little Windows

Welcome to guest musicians, Little Windows, who are showcasing the deeply personal, spiritual, and communal value of traditional song. Mark Weems and Julee Glaub perform a mix of Appalachian, Irish music, and traditionally-based originals. Instrumentation includes guitar, fiddle, banjo, flute, piano, and bodhrán.



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Today's Spiritual Passion:

The Gift of Natural Health led by John Campbell

Today, 1:00 PM, in the Parish Hall

I would like to offer the gift of natural health to anyone in the church community who is interested in pursuing it, at no charge for my literature or consultation. More than one hundred years of experience by hundreds of naturopathic physicians, enhanced by the findings of Szent-Gyorgyi, Irwin Stone, Linus Pauling, Robert Cathcart, Archie Kalokerinos, and Matthias Rath, have shown that within the human body is a powerful healing system that can be only fully engaged if certain nutrients are provided in therapeutic dosages. I offer a series of health guides, derived from the clinical and research work of many naturopaths and naturopathically-oriented physicians, for improving and maintaining general health and to address specific serious chronic health problems - cardiovascular disease, cancer, AIDS, hepatitis, and certain mental disorders - using therapeutic doses of certain dietary supplements.

At the Social Action Table

Please come to the Social Action Table during coffee hour to...

- * sign the Massachusetts Welcoming Initiative
- * sign a petition to the Canadian government asking them not to deport U.S. war resisters, sponsored by Courage to Resist (or the petition can be signed on-line at www.couragetoresist.org)
- * find out about Senate bill 2406, "Safer Alternatives to Toxic Chemicals in Massachusetts," which went to Governor Patrick's desk on January 9th
- * borrow a DVD from our library
- * get pins to put on Santuario's map, to show from where your ancestors came!

Children's Religious Education

Be a Guest at Our Table! The children will be making cookies today as they explore what it means to give from the hands and the heart. Sharing truly is caring in this *Universally Unique* principle. Please join us after service for milk and cookies!

Congregational Announcements

New Orleans trip Advance Notice: Service and Jazz!

Monday, April 28th – Thursday, May 1st, 2008

Mark your calendars: Arlington Street Church's next service trip to New Orleans will coincide with the Jazz Fest. We will be working Monday, April 28th – Thursday, May 1st. People can plan to attend the Jazz Fest the weekend before or after. We encourage people to attend a Sunday morning worship service at First Church New Orleans, our partner church; that's a very important part of the trip. If you're interested in going, or in supporting this trip, please send an email to neworleans@ascboston.org.

Coming Up...

Sunday, February 10th, 2008

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-up - Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Social Action Committee - Archives Room
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary**
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 1:00 PM Spiritual Passions - Parish Hall

Monday, February 11th, 2008

- 7:00 PM Gay Men's Spirituality - Hunnewell Chapel

Tuesday, February 12th, 2008

- 5:30 PM Jubilee - Stage Right Room
- 6:00 PM Buddha's Belly Reading Group - Hunnewell Chapel
- 6:00 PM UU Affairs - Archives Room
- 6:00 PM Finance Committee - Perkins Room
- 7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center

Wednesday, February 13th, 2008

- 3:00 PM *Staff Meeting
- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Clarke Room
- 6:30 PM *Human Resources Committee - Archives Room

Thursday, February 14th, 2008

- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

Friday, February 15th, 2008

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

Saturday, February 16th, 2008

No congregation related events at this time

Sunday, February 17th, 2008

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-up - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Master Plan Update- Archives Room
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary**
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:00 PM Green Sanctuary Film - Clarke Room
- 1:00 PM Spiritual Passions - Sanctuary/Hunnewell Chapel

* 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.

Sandwich Board Volunteers Needed

Coffee Hour, as you know, is much more than coffee. Volunteers make soup and sandwiches, cookies, cake, etc for sale at reasonable prices. Net proceeds help sustain church programs. Volunteers are always welcome to help prepare and serve. Please join us!
E-mail Jon Ellertson or Maria Cole through the church office at Office@ASCBoston.org.

Work with Villages Without Walls

Jubilee, Arlington Street Church's Work in the World, has been supporting Villages Without Walls, a youth anti-violence project in Dorchester. Please contact Laura Pattison at Office@ASCBoston.org if you want to be on the list for volunteers willing to help with the rebuilding of Bethel Pentecostal, parent church for Villages without Walls. Sheetrock work continues, but then there will be taping, prep, painting, etc. We usually figure out midweek if a crew will go on Saturday, and what work is available, and we are still thinking of a possible weekday crew. If you'd like to help, email Laura, even if you're not sure about the details!

The upcoming study circles with Villages Without Walls and Bethel are also a part of Jubilee. Please contact Laura about the study circles to be held February 25th and March 3rd at 6:00 PM.

Upcoming Spiritual Passions

Sharing Great Music

Sunday, February 17th, in the Hunnewell Chapel

Join us for an afternoon of sharing great music! Mark Buckles, our acting music director, will bring recordings from a variety of cultures and traditions to hear and discuss. You are invited to bring and share a recording of a song or piece that has particular spiritual significance to you.

Mark David Buckles is a composer, conductor, singer, and pianist. He is captivated by the spiritual and the emotional, and believes music is one of the most positive unifying forces in human relations. Mark holds a M.M. in Choral Conducting from Boston University and a B.M. in Composition from the University of Michigan. In addition to his role as the acting director of music at Arlington Street Church, Mark is the co-founder and music director of Juventas, a contemporary music ensemble dedicated to the music of today's young composers.

Introduction to Meditation

Sunday, February 24th

Don't just do something; sit there! And when you sit, just sit. Very simple directives...simply, but not easy! Join Arlington Street Church's senior minister, Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, and members of Arlington Street Zen Center for Meditation 101, including answers to such burning questions such as, "Where do I put my legs?" and "How do I stop thinking (without going to sleep)?" This ancient spiritual practice will bring profound benefits not just to you, but to all whose life yours touches. Wear comfortable clothing (and yes, you may meditate in a chair!).



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Arlington Street Zen Center Retreat

Sunday, March 2nd, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

Periods of sitting, walking, and dharma talks (teachings from the Buddha) will be followed by dinner at a local Japanese restaurant (BYO\$). Come join like-hearted seekers to savor a quiet evening together. This 'passion' is led by Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie and members of Arlington Street Zen Center.

Other Notices

Stonewall Communities Anniversary

Tuesday, February 19th, noon – 3:00 PM

43 Hawes St., Brookline at Wheelock College

Stonewall Communities Lifelong Learning Institute is celebrating its first birthday! Meet past and future course leaders and participants while enjoying a complimentary luncheon. We offer courses, brown bag luncheon speakers, events, and workshops for retired and other older LGBT people and their friends starting March 4th. Check out the spring 2008 catalogue at www.stonewallcommunities.com. For more information, e-mail mconnolly@cambridgeconsulting.com.

Building Issues

Ed Thomas, our business administrator, is on vacation. Please direct all building related issues to Jeffrey Bouchard, facilities manager. All other church matters should be directed to Corey Spence, administrative assistant. Both Jeffrey and Corey can be reached at 617-536-7050.

Parking at Arlington Street Church

On Sunday mornings discount parking is available at the Back Bay Garage now at the rate of \$5 for the first three hours. Regular weekend rates apply thereafter. Back Bay Garage is accessible on Clarendon between Boylston and St. James streets. Present your parking ticket to an usher or at the Welcome Table to obtain the discount sticker.

Please note: Parking spaces in the alley are rented to private, non-Arlington Street Church members Monday through Saturday until 6:00 PM. **Spaces #1 and #2 are for our senior minister and business administrator and must be kept available at all times.** Violators will be towed at the owner's expense without warning.

Matching Gifts

Double Your Contribution to Arlington Street Church!

Many employers are encouraging their employees to give to non-profit organizations by matching a contribution from the employee with a contribution from the employer, usually dollar-for-dollar.

Does your employer offer matching gifts? Check with your human resources office to see if you can participate in a matching program. You can double your gift to Arlington Street Church at no cost to you!

Planning for Pride

Tuesday, March 4th, 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM, in the Perkins Room

Every year, Arlington Street Church hosts Unitarian Universalists and friends from all over New England for a celebratory worship service prior to the start of the Boston Pride parade. After the service, we also march together in the parade. Historically, we have had one of the largest groups marching in the parade, and the crowd enthusiastically recognizes us for our historic role in the fight for equal rights for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people. This year's Pride parade is Saturday June 14th.

If you are interested in offering suggestion to the Worship Committee for the worship service, or if you are interested in joining one of the organizational teams, please come to an open meeting Tuesday March 4 from 5-6 p.m. in the Perkins Room. If you cannot come to the meeting, but want to provide input or volunteer to be on a team, please email worship@ascboston.org or give your name to Rev. Kim.



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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 ASC Submission Guidelines

Please deliver all Sunday announcements before Tuesday at 10:00 PM 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. The Parish Concerns committee and ASCares, our lay pastoral caregiving team, in conjunction with 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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