

SUNDAY, MARCH 23RD, 2008 Easter Sunday

Today's Events

Today's Special Music

Pianist/singer/songwriter Joshua Rich, percussionists Christopher Wilson and Jeremy Lang, pianist Michael Sakir, and organist Rodger Vine join us to provide special service music! Joshua Rich performs a variety of evocative and emotional jazz-influenced original compositions. Christopher Wilson, Jeremy Lang, and Michael Sakir join the Arlington Street Church Choir on xylophone, marimba, glockenspiel, and 4-hand piano to perform David Conte's Invocation and Dance, with text from Walt Whitman's "When Lilacs Last in the Door-yard Bloom'd". Rodger Vine, our Artist in Residence, performs a special Easter postlude that includes a transcription of Handel's Hallelujah Chorus.

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.

Master Plan Update

If you have not attended an informational session, please plan to join members of the Master Plan Update Task force during Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall for a presentation outlining many of the changes to our building the task force has been considering.

Children's Religious Education

This Sunday is Easter Eggstravaganza! All children are welcome to join Erick DuPree, children's religious educator, and our special guest along with Rev. Kim as we process to the lower chancel and participate in an expressive chalice lighting! The festivities continue in the Hunnewell Chapel where we will hunt for Easter eggs, quest for the golden egg, and enjoy treats at an Easter tea party.

This afternoon from 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM, photographer Teresa Tam will be available to take a special picture of your little one with our guest of honor in the Public Garden. Her services this afternoon are by suggested donation with pictures uploaded to a secure website for you to select the one you love most! Access to this site will be emailed to you and the pictures available for pick-up the following Sunday!

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 Jazz Fest! We will be working Monday, April 28th – Thursday, May 1st. People can plan to attend Jazz Fest the weekend before or after. We also 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 e-mail to NewOrleans@ASCBoston.org.

Fort Lauderdale, Anyone?

The Unitarian Universalist Association's General Assembly will be June 25th – 29th, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and promises to be a wonderful time. The Arlington Street Church Nominating Committee is looking for Arlington Street members who might like to serve as one of our delegates to the conference. Arlington Street Church covers registration fees; you'll pay travel and lodging. This year's theme is "Common Threads," a rich exploration of what connects us as a larger faith community. To learn more, pick up a flyer at the Welcome Table during Coffee Hour.

Other Announcements

Unitarian Universalist Mass Action Lobby Day

Thursday, April 3rd, 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM, at the State House, in Boston

Please join Unitarian Universalist Mass Action at the State House in Boston for the Second Annual Unitarian Universalist Lobby Day. We'll campaign for Unitarian Universalism's two top issues this year - *Global Warming* and *Hunger and Poverty*. At last year's Lobby Day, we made a crucial difference in the victory of *Marriage Equality*!

Come hear great speakers, including Unitarian Universalist Association President, Rev. Bill Sinkford, and Unitarian Universalist Service Committee President, Charlie Clements. We will also receive training on key issues and legislation, and then go in groups to visit our legislators.

To reserve lunch a payment of \$7.00 must be made in advance to UUMassActionNetwork@Verizon.net. **Please note:** Payments can not be accepted at the State House.

Friday Night Supper Request

Clothing Donations Needed

The following items are needed on a year round basis, but there is a current and ongoing need for men's pants, shoes/sneakers, sweatshirts (especially L and XL), new socks and underwear in all sizes. There is no need for women's clothing. Of course, financial donations are always welcome. For more information go to www. FridayNightSupper.org or call 617-536-7050 ext 22.

Thank you for your generosity to our hungry and homeless neighbors!

Congregational Conversation: Way Cool Sunday School

Wednesday, April 2nd, 6:30 – 8:00 рм

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Strong will join us to facilitate a congregational conversation about our Children's Religious Education program and her proven model, Way Cool Sunday School. Rev. Dr. Strong is the Massachusetts Bay District Religious Education program consultant, has been an ordained Minister of Religious Education for 25 years, and is a nationally recognized liaison to Unitarian Universalist congregations undergoing transitions in their religious education programs. She will help us to articulate our vision for a sustained, vital, and vibrant Children's Religious Education program that is uniquely suited to the Arlington Street Church community. Please join her, along with Rev. Kim, Dan Kane, and Erick DuPree for this stimulating and creative visioning process. A Children's Religious Education Visioning Team will grow out of this session. Anyone who is interested in working with the visioning team should contact Dan Kane, our intern minister, at DKane@ASCBoston.org. Pizza and beverages will be provided, so please RSVP to Dan, to allow us to have enough food for the evening.

Covenant Renewal

Covenant Renewal Sunday

Sunday, April 6th, 11:00 AM, in the Sanctuary

Spring... hope... renewal... and the season of pledging at Arlington Street Church! Covenant Renewal Sunday is coming up on April 6th. As part of that day's worship service, all members and friends will pledge financial and volunteer-service gifts to one another for the coming year. This joyous event will feature great music from the Arlington Street Church choir and a special thank you luncheon provided by the Friday Night Supper program. Pledge brochures are coming soon. Thank you for your part each year in renewing our spiritual home and community.

Congregational Announcements

Corporation Meeting

Sunday, March 30th, 12:30 PM, in the Sanctuary

Agenda [* means a vote is required]

- *I. Membership Update
- *II. Master plan Update Recommendations
- *III. Election of UUAGA Delegates and Alternates
 - IV. Prudential Committee Report
 - V. Finance Report
 - VI. Council Report
- *VII. Welcoming Initiative Proposal
- VIII. Covenant Report
 - IX. Nominating Committee Report
 - X. Jubilee Update
 - XI. Other Business

Coming Up...

Sunday, Marc	h 23 rd , 2008
9:30 am	Choir Warm-up - Sanctuary
11:00 ам	Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:00 рм	Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:30 рм	Nominating Committee - Archives Room
Monday, March 24 th , 2008	
10:30 am	*Connections - Hunnewell Chapel
6:30 рм	*Connections - Frothingham Library
Tuesday, March 25 th , 2008	
6:00 рм	Buddha's Belly - Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 рм	Prudential Committee - Perkins Room
7:00 рм	Arlington Street Zen Center - Hunnewell Chapel
Wednesday, N	1arch 26 th , 2008
3:00 рм	*Staff Meeting - Perkins Room
6:00 рм	Kundalini Yoga - Clarke Room
Thursday, Ma	rch 27 th . 2008
7:00 рм	Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room
Friday, March 28th, 2008	
5:00 рм	Friday Night Supper Program - Parish Hall and Kitchen
6:30 рм	Young Adults Group - Perkins Room
7:00 рм	Friday Night Social Action Film - Hunnewell Chapel
Saturday, March 29th, 2008	
12:00 рм	Soul is Waterproof - Sanctuary, Parish Hall,
	Hunnewell Chapel, Frothingham Library
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9:30 ам	Choir Warm-up - Sanctuary
11:00 ам	Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:00 рм	Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:30 рм	Corporation Meeting - Sanctuary
12:30 рм	Only a Child Presentation - Clarke Room
	* This program is currently closed.
	Check <i>Inside</i> for the next open meeting.
NOTE: This c	alendar is accurate as of noon the Wednesday before pub-
lication and only includes events directly related to the congregation.	
	1p-to-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit
www.ASCBoston.org.	
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Only a Child Presentation

Sunday, March 30th, 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM, in the Clarke Room

A slide presentation will be given by George Leger, the founder and director of Only a Child. Only a Child provides a shelter for homeless youth in Guatemala City and through work and education, gives the youngsters an opportunity to grow into constructive and productive citizens. As a recipient of Jubilee funding, Arlington Street Church's work in the world, we would like for many of you to become involved with Only a Child. We are planning several activities to this end and hope that you will join us for this first one.

Ministry for the Earth and Social Action Film Series

Friday, March 28th, 7:00 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel *Corrections* reveals the true meaning of the term "prison-industrial complex," from correctional product trade shows to the increasing privatization of prisons. It shows that the incarceration of the more than 2.3 million people in the United States is less about public safety and more about corporate profit at the expense of the taxpayers.

Big Brothers Big Sisters at Arlington Street Church

Sunday, March 30th, during Coffee Hour, in the Parish Hall

"I became a Big Brother soon after I realized I could best serve my community (and actually get to see the results) if I volunteered some time - not money. The staff got to know me first and did a great job matching us. Being a "Big" is one of the most worthwhile experiences, it keeps me young, and the potential is limitless." - Doug Fiero, Arlington Street Church member and Big Brother to Geoffrey since 2006!

Arlington Street Church invites you to explore Big Brothers Big Sisters volunteer programs that provide fun, flexible and rewarding volunteer options. A "Big" is simply a consistent, trusted friend to one child. Participants live in neighborhoods throughout Greater Boston.

A Big Brother from Arlington Street Church and staff from Big Brothers Big Sisters will host an information table for all adults (18+) interested in volunteering at the coffee hour on March 30th. Take a few minutes to learn more about the Big Brothers Big Sisters programs, ask questions and take the first steps. For more information call 888-412-BIGS or www.bbbsa.org

Only a Child Fundraiser

Saturday, April 5th, 7:00 PM, at the Waltham Sons of Italy Hall on Cedar Street in Waltham

Only a Child, the program founded by Arlington Street Church's own George Leger for Guatemalan street youth, invites you to its annual fundraiser. Enjoy a buffet supper and George's slide show highlighting the great work he is doing with the young people in the program. Buy your raffle tickets at the event for the opportunity to win restaurant gift certificates, handcrafted Guatemalan textiles, and beautifully designed mahogany boxes made in Only a Child's carpentry shop. Tickets to the event are \$25 per person (\$15 seniors and students). Tickets are available at the Social Action table on Sunday mornings or see any of these Arlington Street Church members and Only a Child Board members: Janice Brunts, Judy Chambliss, Sheila Murphy, and Polly Latham. Thank you for your continued support of Only a Child, one of Arlington Street Church's Jubilee grant recipients this year. For more information about Only a Child and its programs, visit onlyachild.org. You may also contact George Leger at onlyachild@aol. com; or when George is in the United States, by phone, at 781-642-931.



Soul Is Waterproof

Saturday, March 29th, music begins at 4:00 PM, in the Sanctuary



New Orleans has proven that Soul is Waterproof. The city is slowly emerging from the floodwaters to become vital again. Although the buildings were destroyed, the city's soul is intact! It has been 2½ years since the storm, and New Orleans is far from being rebuilt. They are in need of our help now more than ever.

Arlington Street Church is hosting **Soul Is Waterproof**, an evening of music to raise funds to continue the rebuilding process in New Orleans. Performers include Donal Fox, Terri Lyne Carrington, and many others.

Tickets are \$15 and my be purchased through the church website at www.ASCBoston.org. Volunteers are needed to help with tickets, seating, and security. For more information send an e-mail to NewOrleans@ASCBoston.org.

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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