of the death of Addie Bundren and her family's shocking journey through Mississippi as it travels with her corpse to her family's cemetery. In our final meeting, we'll discuss the first chapter of <u>The Oxford Book of Death</u> (December 15th), a collection of poems and prose extracts from writers of the past 2,500 years ranging from Homer and Plato to Shakespeare and Woody Allen.

Ironic as it may seem, good writing on death is among the liveliest we have. And in case any of you thinks our subject dour, we hope you'll take solace in the news that our Spring course will be "Love in Five Wednesdays."

*Any editions of Tolstoy and Mann will do. The chapter from <u>The Oxford Book of Death</u> is a free handout distributed at our penultimate meeting. For the Faulkner & Kincaid, I strongly recommend the following editions:

Faulkner, <u>As I Lay Dying</u>, Vintage, 1957, 250 pp. Kincaid, <u>My Brother</u>, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1998, 208 pp.

Come one, come all; come for one, come for all! All are welcome!

Talking Our Walk: A Discussion Group for People Affected by Depression

Wednesday, October 20th ~ 5:00 PM, Perkins Room

A wonderful, supportive atmosphere, facilitated by our own John Sacco, awaits in this open discussion group: not a substitute for therapy or medication, but a different kind of healing. The group meets once a month, on the third Wednesday. Please speak with John or Rev. Kim for more information. *You are not alone!*

MUSIC

Love of singing?

Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, Clarke Room

Do you love to sing? Would you consider sharing your voice as a gift of service to this community? Do you want or need to take just a couple hours out of your week to create something beautiful? The Arlington Street Church Choir awaits you!

We rehearse on Thursdays from 7:00 – 9:00 PM in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. Musicians and non-musicians are welcome! If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles, who is available at the front of the sanctuary following the service or via email at MBuckles@ASCBoston.org.

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM 2010 thru. 2011

Name:			
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
I/We Commit an <u>Annual Total Of \$</u> to Support the Work of the Arlington Street Church for 2010-2011.			
My/Our Pledge for the Year Will Be Paid:			
□Weekly	\square Monthly	\square Quarterly	
□ Semi-annually	□ One payment	□ Or As Follow	vs:
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Contributions may be made via cash, check, or credit card. If you are paying your pledge with cash via the Sunday collection, be sure to clearly mark the envelope with your name(s) and indicate " <i>Pledge Payment</i> ". Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church and also please include "2011 pledge payment" on memo line. If you wish to use a credit card, please complete the information below:			
□ Mastercard	□ Visa Zi	p Code:	
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☐ One Time Charge ☐ Monthly Contribution			

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 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 SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements before Tuesday noon to print@ascboston.org. Phyllis Guiliano (church administrator) will receive this email and will compile all of the announcements for publication. 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, Assistant to the Administrator. 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. *814 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. 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!

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News from the Soul of Sunday Sunday, October 3RD, 2010

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service

The Sandwich Board team is pleased to provide lunch and other refreshments each Sunday, and we're encouraged to see so many members and friends participating in fellowship after the service. Thank you for the compliments and suggestions you share regarding our menu items. For the next several weeks, we'll offer a survey to assist us in future menu planning.

We also want to share that the workload for our team is considerable, and we would welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. We'd like to suggest that all who enjoy the refreshments offer at least one Sunday to assist with dishes and other clean-up tasks. Please contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero at office@ASCBoston.org for more information about joining our team.

Welcome the Student Immigrant Movement!

TODAY: Noon, Parish Hall

Do you want to hear the stories of undocumented students? Do you think they deserve to get a college education? Join us for lunch!

Meet with the Haitian Coalition

Sunday, October 17th ~12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Hear about the Haitian Coalition's trips to Haiti. What is the situation in Haiti today? What can we do? The Task Force on Haiti invites you to join us.

Our New Intern Minister

Rebecca Froom recently joined our ministerial staff and she would like to get to know you by visiting the committees, church groups, and programs of the congregation throughout the fall. Members of the congregation and chair persons are encouraged to introduce themselves to Rebecca when you see her.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

YouthBuild Just-A-Start Is Looking for Mentors

Help young adults, ages 17-24 enrolled in Just-A-Start, an alternative GED program geared toward academic, career, and personal success. Mentors participate in recreational, educational, and community service activities. YouthBuild is looking for responsible, established adults who can commit to 4-6 hours a month for meetings, program-sponsored activities, phone calls, and emails for at least one year. Application process includes six hours of training and CORI/SORI criminal screenings. For more information, contact Kati Chase at 617.492.1460 x 20 or katichase@justastart.org.

Volunteer Training for GLAD's Legal Infoline

October 12th & 14th ~ 5:30 – 9:30 pm, October 16th ~ 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders (GLAD), New England's leading legal rights organization dedicated to ending discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status, and gender identity and expression, seeks committed volunteers to staff its Legal InfoLine! Volunteer one weekday afternoon a week from 1:30-4:30 pm, helping people who have experienced discrimination by providing legal information that can make a real difference in their lives! Be trained in LGBT/HIV civil rights legal issues. **No prior legal experience** is needed. Register now for the next training. You can get more information and an application by contacting Bruce Bell, 617.426.1350, or email bbell@glad.org. More information is online

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, October 6th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

at: http://www.glad.org/rights/infoline/volunteer/

Experience fun exercises and poses, breathing techniques, chanting, meditation, and deep relaxation in this unique class. Moving energy through your body brings positive change and growth. There will be a \$10 charge that will go to the church.

Soul Sisters

Saturday, October 16th ~ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Perkins Room Soul Sisters is a women's spirituality small group. It meets on the second Saturday of each month (October is an exception due to Columbus Day weekend). The Sisters use a curriculum which provides topics for sharing and reflection. The time together is spent sharing, listening, laughing, and enjoying a meal. The small group format provides opportunity for deepening relationships and building community. The group is presently open for new members. If you are interested, ask for information at the welcome table during coffee hour, or contact the church office.

We invite you to cut out this calendar and clip it to your refrigerator or bulletin board!

Coming Up...

Sunday, October 3, 2010

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
9:30 AM Social Action Committee - Smith Room
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education
12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:45 PM Church Council Meeting - Hunnewell Chapel

Monday, October 4, 2010

6:30 PM Membership Team - Perkins Room

Tuesday, October 5, 2010

6:00 PM Worship Team - Perkins Room

Wednesday, October 6, 2010

*3:30 PM Staff Meeting - Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Chapel
6:00 PM New Member Classes - Perkins Room
7:00 PM New Sanctuary Movement - Clarke Room

Thursday, October 7, 2010

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

Friday, October 8, 2010

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

Saturday, October 9, 2010

No congregational events

Sunday, October 10, 2010

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary

12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall

NOTE: This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday 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.

* Denotes Closed Meetings



New Member Class

Wednesdays, October 6th & October 13th ~ 6:00 PM, Perkins Room All interested newcomers are warmly invited to a new member class, which meets on two consecutive Wednesday evenings. Please sign up at the Welcome Table downstairs in the Parish Hall after the service. All are welcome!

Reading Group: Immigration as a Moral Issue

Tuesdays, October 26th & November $9^{th} \sim 6:30-8:00$ PM, Frothingham Library

Join our Intern Minister, Rebecca Froom, for a two-part reflection and discussion group in response to Margaret Reagan's recent book *The Death of Josseline: Immigration Stories from the Arizona-Mexico Borderlands* (Beacon Press, 2010, 218 pp). Detailing heartbreakingly real human stories, *The Death of Josseline* invites us to consider how we as a religious community might be called to respond to the complex ethical, moral, and spiritual issues presented on the border. *The Death of Josseline* is being studied as a "common read" by Unitarian Universalist discussion groups across the country in preparation for the 2012 General Assembly to be held in Phoenix, AZ.

On Tuesday, October 26th, we will reflect on the Prologue through Chapter 4; on Tuesday, November 9th we will reflect on Chapters 5-10. Copies of the book will be available for sale during coffee hour starting in mid-October.

The Wednesdays: Death in Five Wednesdays

November 3rd, 10th, and 17th plus December 8th and 15th, 6:00-8:00 PM, Frothingham Library

You're welcome to join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for as little or as much as you're able for our next Wednesdays, Arlington Street's literary salon, in which we will explore the world's most perennially fascinating, most mysterious, most frightening to many, most cataclysmic to all, most profoundly important subject in the whole of literature: DEATH. There's not a great writer in world literature who hasn't written about it, and we're reading some of the best. *continued*...

We begin with Tolstoy's <u>Death of Ivan Ilych</u> (November 3rd), a classic of Russian literature which tells of a rich, smug, government official who struggles against the agonizing knowledge that he is slowly dying, a final fact that utterly transforms his life. Then Thomas Mann's brilliant <u>Death in Venice</u> (November 10th), in which an eminent, lonely German writer sojourning in Venice ignores rumors of an impending plague and chooses instead to remain in the death-haunted city because of his infatuation with the beautiful Tadzio, his memorable angel of death. Antiguan writer Jamaica Kincaid's <u>My Brother</u> (November 17th) is a poignant memoir about her youngest brother Devon's AIDS-related death in which she explores the nature of love, family ties, and loss. William Faulkner's <u>As I Lay Dying</u> (December 8th) told by 15 narrators in 59 short chapters, is the story

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