

## Desert Island Bookshelf with Rev. Kim & Queen Cheryl

Thursday, November 3, ~ 5:30 PM, Frothingham Library

Calling all castaways! If you found yourself on a desert island, what treasured books would you want there with you? Bring them this evening, or at least bring the titles! And please bring a print copy of a favorite passage to share. Afterward, we'll make and distribute a "greatest hits" booklet as well as a booklist. Something yummy will be served! All aboard!

*"It is often the brief, simple, original books that turn out to be the most useful. The books I have on my special shelf – books for personal, lifelong use – are all brief and untraditionally structured. They are almost all illustrated, and they have considerable blank space on a page. These are not sources of information but books for meditation. A book is virtual space that invites contemplation and perusal. In this space, one tarries and looks around, absorbing the atmosphere, and then leaves ... happy to have visited."*

Thomas Moore, author of *Care of the Soul*

## Judah Leblang's One-Man Show

Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:30 PM, Harvard Square, Cambridge

Judah Leblang, an Arlington Street Church member, is performing "Finding My Place: One Man's Journey through the Middle Ages." Several years in the making, the show contains some pieces from his book, along with new material. It combines humor and more serious pieces, and will definitely keep you awake and entertained!

The performance is at the Cambridge Center for Adult Education. To get tickets in advance (the theater is very small), call 617-547-6789 or order online at <http://www.ccae.org/catalog/detail.php?id=559654>.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Did You Enjoy Today's Sermon? Share It!

If you enjoyed today's sermon, a great way to share it with family and friends is via our podcast. The sermon podcast from Arlington Street Church delivers our weekly sermon to listeners around the world. Over 200 sermons are available, 15-20 minutes each. Simply search for "ASC Sermon Podcast" in iTunes, or go to our home page for a convenient link (<http://www.ascboston.org>)!

### Lucy Stone Cooperative Fundraising Party

Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 - 10:00 PM, First Church, Jamaica Plain

The Lucy Stone Cooperative, a UU housing co-op in Boston, is having their annual celebration and fundraising party. Join us for music, dancing, food, a cash bar, and a community of co-ops, activists, and people of faith gathered for a celebration of our common values.

There will be no charge to get in, but we will be asking for donations. So bring your dancing shoes and your checkbook! See [www.LucyStoneCoop.org](http://www.LucyStoneCoop.org) for more information.

## COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2011 through June 2012

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We Commit an Annual Total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Support the Work of the Arlington Street Church for July 2011 - June 2012.

My/Our Pledge for the Church Fiscal Year Will Be Paid:

Weekly  Monthly  Quarterly

Semi-annually  One payment  Or As Follows: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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 "**Pledge Payment**". Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church and also please include "2012 pledge payment" on memo line. If you wish to use a credit card, please complete the information below:

Mastercard  Visa Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

### 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. 14 or by e-mail at [JBouchard@ASCBoston.org](mailto:JBouchard@ASCBoston.org).

### 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.

### 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, 617.536.7050. 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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# INSIDE

## ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

*NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2011

## TODAY

### Coffee Hour

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

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.**

For more information about joining our team, please contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero at [office@ASCBoston.org](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org)

### Special Corporation Meeting ~ Election

Today ~ Noon, immediately following service, Sanctuary

The Nominating Committee has nominated Richard Marshall to replace one Pru Member for completion of a 3- year term. The election will be the only agenda item for this very brief meeting.

## THIS WEEK

### Gay Men's Spirituality New Member Meeting & Pizza

Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Arlington Street Church's Gay Men's Spirituality Group invites previous members and any interested newcomers to our first meeting of the church year. If you've always wondered about the group, now is your chance to check us out. Bring your ideas for maintaining a vibrant spiritual community for gay men at the church. There will be pizza for all, and please coordinate with Mark Troia at [gms@ascboston.org](mailto:gms@ascboston.org) if you can bring drinks, sides, dessert, or paper supplies. All are welcome, so feel free to bring a friend from the church or the larger Boston community.

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## Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion and the Arlington Street Zen Center

Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and the Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every second and fourth Tuesday throughout the church year.

Buddha's Belly meets from 6 PM to 7 PM. This fall we are reading *In the Face of Fear: Buddhist Wisdom for Challenging Times*. For this meeting, please finish section one.

Buddha's Belly is followed at 7 PM by a gathering of Arlington Street Zen Center with seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are welcome!

## Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

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 goes to the church.

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## SAVE THE DATE

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## Sewful Sunday - Spiritual Passions for all ages!

Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Come with your sewing, quilting, knitting projects, and more! We will share our time together making quilts for the homeless (beloved quilts), and working on our own creative projects that soothe our souls. Please bring your own supplies. Contact LES@ASCBoston.org.

## Sacred Eros: Narratives of Desire

Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

Sacred Eros addresses the intersection of spirituality and sexuality. Do you have a tale to tell? Maybe a sensuous poem or a bawdy joke? Well, here's your chance! Along with the usual goodies, we're asking folks to bring stories to share with one another. Don't be shy! Come and join the fun!

## The Wednesdays Literary Salon ~ Joan Didion

Wednesdays, October 19, 26 & November 9 ~ 6:00-8:00 PM. ~ Frothingham Library

For many readers, Joan Didion is the best living American writer, & regardless of people's tastes, virtually everyone ranks her at the very least, among the very best. She's praised because of the range of her talents (novels, short fiction, memoir, essay, movies, theater, political reporting) and also because of her inimitable style: limpid, concise, colloquial, imaginative. She's that unusual hybrid: a writer's writer who's also a popular favorite. Her career now spans nearly half a century, and it's fair to say that for her admirers, she's never written an ungainly or uninteresting sentence. She's prolific, provocative, & memorable. She is, in a word (choose your favorite), a trip, a gas, a marvel, a knockout, a circus, an event, a phenomenon!

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

## This Week

### Sunday, October 9, 2011

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 ~ Perkins Room
12:00 PM	Coffee Hour ~ Parish Hall
*1:00 PM	ASC Fall Leadership Retreat ~ Hunnewell Chape

### Monday, October 10, 2011

	Church Office Closed for Columbus Day Holiday
6:30 PM	Membership Team Meeting ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM	Gay Men's Spirituality Group ~ Hunnewell Chapel

### Tuesday, October 11, 2011

6:00 PM	Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM	Arlington Street Zen Center~ Hunnewell Chapel

### Wednesday, October 12, 2011

*3:30 PM	Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
*5:00 PM	HR Committee ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM	Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:30 PM	Haiti Planning Team ~ Clarke Room

### Thursday, October 13, 2011

6:00 PM	UU Social Justice History ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal ~ Clarke Room

### Friday, October 14, 2011

5:00 PM	Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall   Kitchen
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### Saturday, October 15, 2011

No congregational Events

### Sunday, October 16, 2011

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 ~ Perkins Room
12:00 PM	Coffee Hour ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM	Sewful Sunday ~ Hunnewell Chapel
12:30 PM	Coming of Age ~ Frothingham Library

**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](http://www.ASCBoston.org).

\* Denotes closed meetings

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We'll be reading four seminal works by Didion, one per session:

- October 5<sup>th</sup> – Slouching Toward Bethlehem (1968)
- October 19<sup>th</sup> – Play It As It Lays (1970)
- October 26<sup>th</sup> – The White Album (1978)
- November 9<sup>th</sup> – Democracy (1984)

Both Slouching and White Album are contained in Didion's collected nonfiction, *We Tell Ourselves Stories in Order to Live* (2006), which you should be able to find at AbeBooks or Amazon for roughly \$20 (it's a big, fat, fabulous book with lots of other treasures). The other two, both novels, are generally available for a dollar apiece (try to get the Simon & Schuster editions). All are also available at the public library. Please start reading now. All are welcome!

## Talking Your Walk Group

Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 PM, Clarke Room

By popular request, we will reconvene the "Talking Your Walk" group on October 19<sup>th</sup>, and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in the months to come. This is a non-clinical support group in solidarity of those dealing with the challenge of depression. This year, we're meeting in the Clarke Room on the third floor above the Chapel, and our new 7 PM start time will accommodate those folks coming from work. Our own John Sacco, LICSW, will facilitate. Please see Rev. Kim or John with questions, or to let us know that you will be joining the group.

## Bring A Friend Sunday

Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Bring your friends and families to a Sunday dedicated to sharing the spirit, the joy, and the nourishment of our worship together. Invite those who are curious or those looking for a new spiritual home to experience Arlington Street Church. All are welcome!

## Memorial Service for Roger Hale

Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ 2:00 PM, Sanctuary

You are invited to join in celebrating the life of a long-time Arlington Street member, Roger Hale. Roger sang in our choir and was a pillar of the Arlington Street Zen Center. His family will be joining us from the Pacific Northwest. All are welcome.

## Engaging the Spirit at Arlington Street Church

Sundays, October 30, November 6, & 20 ~ 12:30 -2:00 PM, Chapel

This three-session class explores several aspects of Unitarian Universalist philosophy and practice. We'll consider Unitarian Universalist theology and elements of worship at Arlington Street Church. We'll examine how we grow in faith by discussing the philosophy of religious education. We'll get a view of how we engage the world through social justice initiatives. Finally, we will reflect on how we can help each other embrace our unfolding lives by building the beloved community. New and well-established members are welcome, as are visitors and friends. For more information, or to register, please stop by the Welcome Table in the parish hall, or e-mail Art Nava at [office@ASCBoston.org](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org) by Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

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