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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12TH, 2008
Unitarian Universalist Association Sunday

Today's Events

Association Sunday

Today, 11:00 am, in the Sanctuary

Welcome to Association Sunday!

Today we are joining thousands of Unitarian Universalists in affirming our common bonds and purposes on the second annual Association Sunday!

Our liberal faith is needed to help heal our wounded world. Now is the time to connect, to pool our resources and Grow Our Faith by more effectively Growing Our Spirit. Funds raised by this Sunday's collection will be distributed by the Unitarian Universalist Association.

Fifty percent of the money raised will be used as grants to congregations, districts, and seminaries to create new programs for lay theological education and spiritual deepening. The other fifty percent of the money will be divided equally between 1. our ministers' association's new CENTER programs for continuing education to promote excellence in ministry, 2. scholarships for promising students preparing for our ministry, and 3. the Diversity in Ministry Team's initiative to support our ministers of color.

Welcome, and let us celebrate!

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.

Social Justice Letter-Writing Table

During Coffee Hour, in the Parish Hall

Please stop by today to sign a postcard to be sent to the House Human Rights Subcommittee on the subject of U.S. funding for the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission in Darfur (UNAMID). The postcard urges the subcommittee to provide oversight of the UNAMID mandate to protect women and girls from violence.

Spirit in Practice

An Adult Lifespan Faith Development Course

Starts today, 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM,
in the Stage Right Room

Come join interim assistant minister Dan Kane and religious educator Erick DuPree for this ten workshop adult religious education offering. Spirit in Practice is designed to provide avenues for deepening our spirituality and affirming our spiritual growth. We will reflect, share, and grow together as we explore ways to nurture our connections with the sacred in everyday life.

We will meet on eight consecutive Sundays, beginning today through November 30th. Each week we will experience different spiritual practices and have an opportunity to reflect on that experience. Grab lunch at the sandwich board and check us out. You need not commit to attend all eight sessions although that will make this course more meaningful.

Music at Arlington Street Church

Naperville Men's Glee Club

Today, 3:30 PM, in the Sanctuary

Music@ASC welcomes the Naperville Men's Glee Club! Conductor Bonnie Roberts leads the Glee Club in their 20th Anniversary Concert tour featuring pieces by Franz Biebl, Edvard Grieg, Gabriel Fauré, Randall Thomson, and a world premiere by Jackson Berkey.

Calling all Singers!

The Arlington Street Church Choir performs an array of challenging, evocative repertoire spanning dozens of cultures, and centuries of musical and liturgical history. We find that making music with and for our community here at Arlington Street is a central and beautiful part of our spiritual practice as Unitarian Universalists. Will you join us? Rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 7-9 in the Clarke Room. Feel free to stop by or speak to Director of Music, Mark David Buckles, after the Sunday morning service to find out more about our choir and about music and worship.

Worship at Arlington Street Church

El Dia de los Muertos ~ Day of the Dead

Sunday, October 26th, 11:00 AM, in the Sanctuary

Join the Arlington Street Church congregation in our annual observance of the Day of the Dead, All Souls, and All Saints Day. We celebrate the lives of beloved friends and family who have gone before us, calling out their names to affirm their continuing presence.

The Arlington Street Choir will sing Ysaye Barnwell's "Breaths" with poetry by Birago Diop.

Coming Up...

Sunday, October 12th, 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
- 12:30 PM Spirit in Practice - Stage Right Room
- 3:30 PM The Naperville Men's Glee Club Concert - Sanctuary

Monday, October 13th, 2007

- Office closed for Indigenous People's Day
- 6:00 PM Prison Ministry Group - Perkins Room

Tuesday, October 14th, 2007

- 6:00 PM Finance Committee - Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM Buddha's Belly - Hunnewell Chapel
- 6:45 PM Children's Religious Education Committee - Clarke Room
- 7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center - Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, October 15th, 2007

- 3:30 PM *Staff Meeting - Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Clarke Room
- 6:00 PM Connections Group Facilitator Training - Perkins Room
- 7:00 PM *Web Site Task Force - Archives Room

Thursday, October 16th, 2007

- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

Friday, October 17th, 2007

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

Saturday, October 18th, 2007

No congregation related events at this time

Sunday, October 19th, 2007

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Spirit in Practice - Stage Right Room
- 12:30 PM Congregational Conversation - Hunnewell Chapel
- 1:00 PM New Member Class - Parish Hall
- 2:00 PM Connections Group Facilitator Training - Perkins Room

* 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.

Those who have died, have never, never left.

The dead are not under the earth.

They are in the rustling trees, they are in the groaning woods.

They are in the crying grass. They are in the moaning rocks.

The dead are not under the earth.

Please feel free to bring photographs or other mementos to place on the altar. Children of all ages are invited to wear costumes and take part in a costume procession.

Children's Religious Education

All children are invited to join Dan Kane and our religious educator, Erick DuPree, on the high chancel to light the chalice this morning. Following the Time For All Ages, the children will leave for children's worship and their church school class in the Hunnewell Chapel. Today's lesson explores the symbolism of our flaming chalice. All are welcome.

Congregational Announcements

Buddha's Belly Book Group

Tuesday, October 14th, 6:00 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel

All are invited to join Buddha's Belly for the first evening of their study of the book "Letting Go of the Person You Used to Be" by Lama Surya Das. All are encouraged to read chapter one of the book for discussion at the meeting.

Arlington Street Zen Center

Tuesday, October 14th, 7:00 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel

An evening of meditation practice, led by Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister. Sessions include seated & walking meditation, Dharma talk, and conversation. This practice is open to all, beginning and experienced practitioners.

Kundalini Yoga

Wednesday, October 15th, 6:00 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel

Kundalini Yoga, the Yoga of Awareness, consists of simple yogic techniques that can be enjoyed by everyone, no matter his or her age or physical ability. It is a complete system of yoga that includes breath (pranayam), yoga postures (asanas), sound, chanting (mantra) and meditation. It is designed to provide you with the experience of your highest consciousness through the raising of your Kundalini.

Note: Please wear loose, comfortable clothing, preferably made of cotton or other natural, breathable fiber. Avoid eating immediately before class. There is a \$10 fee for this course.

Congregational Conversation

Sunday, October 19th, 12:30 PM, in the Hunnewell Chapel

Each month we come together to discuss an important issue that we face as a congregation. Up this month: money. How can we generate more revenue to eliminate our deficit and balance the budget? Bring your best ideas and join Elizabeth Lindholm, Prudential Committee co-chair, and other members of elected church leadership as we try to answer that question together.

New Members Class

Sundays, October 19th and 26th, 1:00 PM

Sign up today at the Welcome Table downstairs

What does membership mean at Arlington Street Church? If you want to learn more about Arlington Street Church and Unitarian Universalism, please join us for the next membership class. The class is a time to: share our personal spiritual journeys; learn about Unitarian Universalist tradition, history and theology; meet Arlington Street Church staff members; demystify the membership process; and discover ways that you can deepen your connection with Arlington Street Church.

RSVP at the Welcome Table during coffee hour or contact Susan Thomas, director of communication and programs, by email: SThomas@ASCBoston.org or phone: 617-536-7050 x13.

The Greatest Story: The Exodus in Words and Music

Saturday, October 25, 2008, 8:00 PM.
at the Fenway Center of Northeastern University
77 St. Stephen Street, Boston

Rev. Kim will be joining a group of distinguished Bostonians to read and share favorite passages inspired by the biblical story of Exodus.

Hosted by former Poet Laureate, Robert Pinsky, *The Greatest Story: Exodus in Words and Music* is inspired by Pinsky's Favorite Poem Project and looks to be a moving and fun evening with wonderful readings and lively music. All are welcome!

Tickets are \$10, \$5 for students. Call 617.373.4700 or order online at www.gonu.com/tickets.

Information about Ballot Question 1

Question 1 is a ballot proposal that will eliminate the state income tax. Nearly 45% of the state budget is funded by income taxes; this will eliminate \$12.8 billion from the state budget.

Further information about this ballot proposal can be found at the Social Action Table after the service. Let's educate ourselves about all the issues and show up at the polls!

Sandwich Board Volunteers Needed

Help to foster community at Arlington Street Church by preparing and offering tasty sandwiches, soups, and other lunch treats. Our connections are strengthened as we linger in the Parish Hall and share meals together! Talk with any volunteer in the kitchen to sign up to serve.

Sunday Greeters Needed

Sundays Greeters needed to welcome worshippers. It's a fun and easy way to meet people. Be the smiling face of joy at Arlington Street Church on Sunday mornings. Sign up in the foyer or at the Welcome table at coffee hour or e-mail welcome@ascboston.org

Other Announcements

Help the Environment by Reducing Waste Stop Receiving Junk Mail

Over 100 million trees get used for junk mail every year in the U.S. Stop wasteful paper junk mail for free! Using the following four Web sites, you can remove your name from thousands of marketing lists, data brokers, and other organizations that send unsolicited mail.

ProQuo	proquo.com
Green Dimes	greendimes.com
Catalog Choice	catalogchoice.org
DMA Choice	dmachoice.org

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!

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 during coffee hour 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.

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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