

May 12th – Sakyong Mipham (son of Chögyam Trungpa; head of Shambhala)

June 9th – Pride! And an evening Kirtan with Krishna Das

Plus ... Stay tuned for special evenings with Cris Williamson and our own Karlene Griffiths Sekou!

ARLINGTON STREET MINISTRIES



Join the Arlington Street Choir

Every Thursday ~ 7:00 PM, Clarke Room

Experience the spiritual practice of communal singing! Take just a couple of hours out of your week to create something beautiful, make friends, and add more music to your life!

Musicians and non-musicians are welcome - we are a mix of professionals and amateurs. We rehearse every Thursday and are always accepting new members. We meet in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles at MBuckles@ASCBoston.org.



Children's Religious Education Wants You!

Would you enjoy assisting behind the scenes, sharing a story or your spiritual practice, going on a field trip, leading a sex ed class, holding babies, building with legos, or digging in the dirt? If the answer is yes, please contact Beth Robbins at BRobbins@ASCBoston.org.



Transformation Team for Racial Justice

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice is an ongoing task force of Arlington Street Church that seeks to identify and eliminate interpersonal and institutional barriers of racism and oppression, and build a justice-seeking, multiracial, multicultural community. Please email any feedback or questions to Transformation@ASCBoston.org, attend our open meetings on the third Tuesday of the month from 7 - 8:30 p.m. or speak with a team member (Jonah Beukman, Sarah Cooleybeck, Rita Falzarano, Margy Herley, Laura Pattison, Nancy Perna, and Barbara Seidl). Membership on the Team requires a one year commitment and anti-racism/anti oppression/multicultural training.



Join the Social Action Committee

Join our team and get support on the social action topic you are passionate about: voting rights, climate change, economic inequality, gun violence, Citizens United, homelessness, and more. We meet on the second Sunday of each month at 9:30 am. For more information, contact David McLain at SocialAction@ASCBoston.org.

"The service begins when the service ends."



COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM November 2017 through June 2018

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an **TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE** of \$ _____
to support the work of Arlington Street Church for 2017-2018.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Pledge contributions may be made by cash, check, or credit card.

Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm _____ yy _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

One payment for my entire pledge.

Equal monthly installments on the 12th of each month.

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. The Church's administrative assistant will pass your message on to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow up. Thanks!

SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, (both congregational use and rentals), must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Administrative Assistant and 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.

INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements **before Tuesday noon** to publications@ascboston.org. Laurinda O'Connor will receive your email and will compile the announcements for publication. Materials should be legible, signed, and fully composed. Space is limited, so some editing may be necessary. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

OUR CARING COMMUNITY—EMERGENCIES

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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NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH, 2017

*If you are visiting Arlington Street Church
or would like information about Unitarian Universalism,
please visit the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall.*

TODAY



Coffee Hour and Lunch

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! Please visit the Arlington Street Cares Table (on your right as you enter the Parish Hall) to sign cards for those who have shared candles of sorrow and joy with us.

We welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To volunteer, and for more information about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen.

THIS WEEK



Imagine! An Evening of Encouragement. Inspiration. Radical Imagination

Tuesday, November 28th ~ 7:00 PM, Union United Methodist Church,
485 Columbus Avenue, Boston

We have been working. We have been organizing. We have been marching. We have been resisting. We have been fighting back! Now let us come together for a time of refreshing, an evening of soulful, intimate conversation. *Encouragement. Inspiration. Radical Imagination!* We need it... Tickets are \$35.00, additional donations to sponsor another attendee are appreciated, and no one will be turned away due to funds. Doors open at 6:30. To purchase tickets, visit ASCBoston.org and click on the *Imagine!* link or contact m4blmboston@gmail.com for more information. *Organized by Black Lives Matter Boston, Union United Methodist Church, The Dignity Project International, Arlington Street Church, and Veterans for Peace.*



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

Tuesday, November 28th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

6:00 Buddha's Belly: We'll complete our discussion of Jack Kornfield's new book, *No Time Like the Present.*

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Our next book will be *All the Rage: Buddhist Wisdom on Anger and Acceptance*.

7:00 Arlington Street Zen Center: Our gathering includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. If you'd like to walk in the Public Garden (optional!), please dress for the weather. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are warmly welcome.



Kundalini Yoga Class

Every Wednesday ~ 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 is a \$10 charge that goes to the church. First class is free!



Arlington Street's Literary Salon, The Wednesdays: Shakespeare

Wednesdays ~ 6:00 PM, Frothingham Library
November 29th ~ Troilus and Cressida
December 13th ~ All's Well That Ends Well

Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim welcome you to the fifth installment of the Wednesdays Shakespearathon! Reading all 38 of Shakespeare's plays is admittedly a huge ambition, but Shakespeare is, by universal consent, not only the greatest writer in the English language, but one of the immortals of world literature. We'll need patience with archaic language while attending to a plethora of footnotes (there's no doing without them unless you live in a world where you cut your meat with a bodkin and your children say their orizons at bedtime). In other words, these Shakespeare courses are not for the faint of heart. But since it's generally true that "as ye sow, so shall ye reap," the rewards will be enormous. For many of us, this will be one of the great experiences of our lives! All are welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Arlington Street Circle of Caring

Sundays, December 3rd and 17th ~ 12:30 PM, Carol Smith Room

Are you battling illness, struggling with isolation, caring for someone who is sick or dying, or coping with grief after a loss? Please visit the Circle of Caring and join our community of support, peace, healing, and love. Facilitator, Maureen Peterson calls on her significant personal experience to create a safe space for sharing our stories and supporting one another through the crises of life.



Ritual for Honoring Transition

Sunday, December 3rd ~ 1:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

For seven years, Laura Evonne Steinman served as Arlington Street's Director of Religious Education. With the timing of her leaving in June, we missed the opportunity to say goodbye. This simple ritual is to honor the transition in our staff, release what is past, and welcome what is to come.

If you would like to share favorite memories of Laura's work among us, please write them down (think candle cards – no more than 3 minutes) and e-mail them to brobbins@ascboston.org. Note – the deadline for submissions is today (November 26th). Rev. Kim and Beth will be

*We invite you to cut out this calendar or
view the full calendar at ASCBoston.org*

This Week

Sunday, November 26, 2017

*9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education (CRE) ~ Perkins Room
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall

Monday, November 27, 2017

6:30 PM Membership Team Committee ~ Perkins Room

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM Imagine! ~ Union United Methodist Church, 485 Columbus Avenue

Wednesday, November 29, 2017

6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM The Wednesdays ~ Frothingham Library

Thursday, November 30, 2017

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, December 1, 2017

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program (FNSP) ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, December 2, 2017

No congregational events are scheduled.

Sunday, December 3, 2017

*9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education (CRE) ~ Perkins Room
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM ASC Circle of Caring ~ Carol Smith Room
1:00 PM Ritual for Honoring Transition ~ Hunnewell Chapel

* Denotes closed meetings. This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation.

For additional listings, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



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organizing these reflections to create a nice flow and identifying readers for those who can't be present or don't feel comfortable speaking in front of the group. If you won't be reading your own reflection, please note that when you send your submission. Children, youth, and families are especially encouraged to participate. All are welcome!



Bringing in the Greens

Saturday, December 9th ~ 11:00 - 4:00 PM, Sanctuary

We're decorating the sanctuary for the holidays! It requires a small battalion of volunteers. No experience required, and it's a lot of fun! Please plan to join in! Come for all or part of the time. Please RSVP to Office@ASCBoston.org.



The Mitten Tree

Sunday, December 10th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Please bring new, unwrapped gloves, hats, scarves, and socks for the gentlemen guests of our Friday Night Supper Program. Let's decorate the Mitten Tree!



Uncomfortable Conversations about Race

Sunday, December 17th ~ 12:30 PM, Program Room (inside Perkins Room)

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice offers this time and space for facilitated discussion and continuing conversation about developing anti-racist worldview. We hold these conversations periodically at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and no RSVP is needed. For more information, email transformation@ascboston.org.



Ushers Needed for Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve is special at Arlington Street, with three candlelit services: 5 pm (a family-oriented service, with music provided our choir) and again at 7 and 9 pm (with music provided by the Boston Gay Men's Chorus). We need ushers to help out with all three services. You can volunteer by signing up at the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall after today's service; or by emailing or phoning the church office (office@ascboston.org; 617-536-7050). Please be sure to let us know which service or services you are volunteering to usher and provide an email address and phone number where we can reach you. Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

There are many great Arlington Street Church events in the works for the new year. As you begin planning for 2018, be sure to save the dates for:

January 8th – Intersectional Book Group

January 14th – Ice Skating & Hot Chocolate at Frog Pond

February 11th – Chinese New Year Parade & Dim Sum Outing

March 24th – Indulge Auction & Celebration

April 1st – Easter Sunday Worship

April 8th – Rise Against Hunger Service Event

April 29th – Covenant Renewal Sunday

May 6th – Ordination of Beth Robbins