English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Tuesday and Thursday, January IIth & I3th ~ 9:30 AM, Perkins Room Learn English! Improve your English! This class meets twice a week every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 AM. Students will practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Topics include general conversation, cooking, and holiday events, as well as grammar and pronunciation. Students are welcome to suggest their own ideas for topics.

Instructor Helen Bhardwaj has taught ESL in the United States, China, and Thailand.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calling All Event Announcements

We are preparing all of the *Inside* publications through this holiday season *now*. Please send any announcements you would like to appear in *Inside* for any Sunday through January 2nd. Email these announcements as soon as possible to print@ASCBoston.org and specify which Sunday(s) the announcement should appear.

Help Prepare for Christmas Eve Service

Following today's service we need to put the hymnals away in preparation for the Christmas Eve services. Please help out by bringing the hymnals from your pew to the back of the sanctuary and place them on the metal bookcases. Thank you!

Christmas Eve Ushers

Calling all people interested in ushering at any of the three Christmas Eve services here at Arlington Street Church! Please speak to one of the Lead Ushers: Ellen Spencer, Dan Moon, Phillip Roberts, David Erbe, Peter Lowber, or Rob Cuddi. You may also sign up at the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall during coffee hour.

Information on Tiffany Window Watercolors

Please see www.cwebdev.com/Watercolors/index.htm to learn about the Tiffany Windows watercolors and the proposal Holly Hendricks made at the June Corporation meeting about placing the watercolors at the Andover Harvard Divinity School library for preservation and research.

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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.

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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NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2010
LESSONS & CAROLS

TODAY

Coffee Hour

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, comestibles, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

Our kitchen team is friendly and has a wonderful time! Join the fun and serve! To officially join the team, please contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero at office@ASCBoston.org.

A Holiday Gift for Friday Night Supper Program

Help Arlington Street Church give a generous gift to Friday Night Supper this holiday season. A donor is offering to match our gifts up to \$1,000! During today's service, please give your donation to an usher or put it into the gift box at the rear of the sanctuary after the service. This matching gift fundraiser will run throughout the month of December. Checks can be made to "Friday Night Supper" with "matching gift" in the memo line. For more information about the FNSP please visit their website at http://www.fridaynightsupper.org/

Joe Della Penna's CD "Duel" Is Now Available

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service
Just in time for the holidays, jazz pianist and Arlington Street
church member, Joe Della Penna will be selling copies of his new
CD "Duel" for \$15.00 each. Join Joe over at the piano in the Parish
Hall during coffee hour. He'll be happy to autograph a CD for you!

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Support the Social Action Committee and Fair Trade

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service

There is more opportunity for gift buying! Fair traded, organic coffee, cocoa, chocolate bars and tamari-roasted almonds will be for sale at the Social Action table for the next few Sundays.

Support Haiti with Festive Holiday Decorations

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service

This holiday season, the Institute for Justice & Democracy in Haiti (IJDH) is raising money for its human rights advocacy programs in Haiti by selling festive holiday decorations for a suggested donation of \$25. The ornamental cards hang from a blue and gold ribbon, and display beautiful images illustrating our work in Haiti as well as information about our efforts to challenge the unjust structures that keep the majority of Haitians poor. Please visit us at the Social Action table to see all six decoration themes that are available for purchase. More information on the program can be found at http://ijdh.org/get-involved/donate/holiday-decorations.

THIS WEEK

Arlington Street Zen Center Winter Solstice Vespers and Waking Up the Trees!

Tuesday, December 21st ~ 8:00 PM, Chapel and Boston Public Garden Join the Arlington Street Sangha for a Winter Solstice Vespers, with beautiful readings, silent meditation by candlelight, songs, and walking meditation in the Public Garden complete with Wassailing the Trees!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, December 22nd ~ 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 will go to the church.

Christmas Eve!

Friday, December 24th ~ Sanctuary Services are at 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM, and 9:00 PM

O, Come All Ye Faithful! Our 5:00 PM family service, with participation by all the children features the Arlington Street Church choir. This service is perfect for children, but all are welcome at all three services! At 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM, the Boston Gay Men's Chorus stands in for the Heavenly Host! Candle lighting is a highlight of all three services (candles are provided). Please come and bring your loved ones to share in this magical evening.

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

This Week

Sunday, December 19, 2010

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
12:00 PM Coffee Hour ~ Parish Hall

Monday, December 20, 2010

No congregational events

Tuesday, December 21, 2010

6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel

6:00 PM Prudential Committee Meeting ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, December 22, 2010

*12:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ off site 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Chapel

Thursday, December 23, 2010

No congregational events

Friday, December 24, 2010

3:30 PM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall | Kitchen
5:00 PM Christmas Eve by Candlelight Family Service ~ Sanctuary
7:00 PM Christmas Eve by Candlelight Comm. Service ~ Sanctuary
86:00 PM BGMC Rehearsal ~ Clarke Room
9:00 PM Christmas Eve by Candlelight Comm. Service ~ Sanctuary

Saturday, December 25, 2010

No congregational events

Sunday, December 26, 2010

9:30 AM Music 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

For more information, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



'Twas the Morning After Christmas

Come Worship with Rev. Kim! Sunday, December 26th ~ II:00 AM, Sanctuary

Let's send off the old year and welcome the new! Please join Rev. Kim for worship and a welcome back to our many Christmas Eve guests. Please note that there is no Children's Religious Education Program this Sunday, but all children are welcome to come to the service.

SAVE THE DATE

Sacred Eros Holiday Party!

Monday, December 27th ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

Come join Sacred Eros, a discussion group about spirituality and sexuality led by Desmond Ravenstone, for informal fun and fellowship. This month's topic is wide open, and we encourage everyone to bring yummy treats to share.

Corporation Meeting

Sunday, January 9th ~ 12:30 PM, Sanctuary

Mark your calendar for the next Corporation Meeting. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

Other Business

New Member Class

Monday, January 10th & Wednesday, January 12th ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our next two-session new member class. Please sign up at the Welcome Table downstairs in the Parish Hall after the service. All are welcome!

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^{*}Indicates vote required!