Row at a Louisiana State Penitentiary. It will be performed under the musical direction of our Artist in Residence, Michael Sakir. For more information and tickets, visit bostonoperacollaborative.org and somervilletheatreonline.com.

The Collaborative will host a number of community events centered around the production, including a masterclass with composer Jake Heggie on March 17<sup>th</sup> and a pre-performance lecture by Sister Helen Prejean on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

## **Community Meeting on Gun Violence**

Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:30 pm, First Church Boston, 66 Marlborough You are invited to a special presentation on gun violence, beginning with a showing of the documentary "Living for 32," which chronicles the life and work of one of the survivors of the Virginia Tech massacre. Following, there will be a discussion and talk by John Rosenthal. Mr. Rosenthal is recognized as a highly influential expert on this issue, principal sponsor of the powerful billboard on the Mass. Pike, and founder of stophandgunviolence.org. Please plan to join us for this educational opportunity!

## **Anne Lamott Book Signing**

Monday, April 8th ~ 7:30 PM, First Parish, Bedford MA

Author Anne Lamott will read from her newest best-sellling book, *Help, Thanks, Wow: The Three Essential Prayers*, as well as from the new paperback release of her book *Some Assembly Required*.

Both of these books will be available for sale, and Anne will sign them. This event is open to the public and free, though contributions will gratefully be received. A portion of all proceeds will go the human rights work of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee–uusc.org.

First Parish is on the Bedford Town Common, 75 The Great Road in Bedford. All facilities are accessible. For more information, unbedford.org or 781-275-7994.

# Finding My Place: One Man's Journey through the Middle Ages

Saturday, April 20th ~ 7:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

After last year's sold-out performance, Judah Leblang returns with his (mostly humorous) tales of life in middle age, and his exploration of being a single gay Jewish man in Boston. Called "engaging," and "poignant," Judah's show speaks to universal themes: looking for love, dealing with the aging process, and dealing with situations when "Man plans, and God laughs." Tickets are available at the welcome table in the parish hall or at judahleblang.com. Arlington Street member tickets are \$12; general public, \$15.

## Represent Arlington Street at General Assembly

June 19-23, 2013 ~ Louisville, Kentucky

General Assembly (GA) is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Attendees worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy for the Association through the democratic process. If you are interested in being one of the five delegates from Arlington Street, please contact Steve Vorenberg at office@ascboston.org. For a great video of last year's GA, go to uua. org/ga/past/2012/200898.shtml.



#### 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 print@ascboston.
org. Phyllis Guiliano (Business Administrator) 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 necessasary. 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, MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2013

## **TODAY**

## **Coffee Hour and Lunch**

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 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 today, or contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero.

## **Arlington Street Church Corporation Meeting**

Sunday, March 10th ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel \*Vote required

\*Membership Update

General Assembly Delegate Election 2012 General Assembly Delegate Report

Q&A on Written Reports

Other Business

## **Written Reports:**

- Treasurer
- Business Administrator
- Prudential Committee
- Indulge

#### THIS WEEK

## English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> & Wed. March 13<sup>th</sup> ~ 10:00 AM, Perkins Room Learn or improve your English! The class meets on Monday and Wednesday. Students practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Topics include general conversation, cooking, and holiday events, as well as grammar and pronunciation. The class is taught by Ann Troise, a member of Arlington Street, who has been certified to teach ESL by the Boston Academy of English.

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## Gay Men's Spirituality Group

Monday, March 11th ~ 7:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Tonight is an open discussion. Please bring any topics you would like to share.

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

Tuesday, March 12th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and the Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every  $2^{\rm nd}$  and  $4^{\rm th}$  Tuesday of the church year.

Buddha's Belly meets at 6 pm. Please finish reading Pema Chödrön's, Living Beautifully with Uncertainty and Change.

Arlington Street Zen Center meets at 7 PM and includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are welcome!

## Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, March 13th ~ 6:00 PM, Parish Hall

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.

## **Adult Religious Exploration Team Meeting**

Wednesday, March 13th ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room

We continue discussing spring programming and reviewing the progress of Connections. Please join us, as we would love to have your energy and ideas. All are heartily welcome.

## **Gatherings for Healing**

Thursday, March 14th ~ 6:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Gatherings for Healing are usually offered the first Thursday of each month (except for this month). They are designed to soothe, inspire, and feed anyone dealing with loss and challenge, who would like the comfort and strength of spiritual community. Please join us for inspirational readings, contemplative prayer, sharing of joys and concerns, and chamomile communion—now with baked goods. Allow yourself this sweet gift, and gift others with your presence.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

## The New Jim Crow ~ An Arlington Street Reading Group

Sundays, March 17th & April 7th ~ 12:30-2:30 PM, Clarke Room

Join a group to discuss Michelle Alexander's book, *The New Jim Crow*, the Unitarian Universalist Association's (UUA) common read of the year (meaning many congregations across the country will be reading this book together). The UU curriculum will provide the framework for the discussions. We will explore Alexander's call for building a spiritual movement to dismantle the new Jim Crow, and consider how we might begin the work.

If you would like to be in this reading group, please contact David Cecere or Peter Lowber at socialaction@ASCBoston.org.

We invite you to cut out this calendar and clip it to your refrigerator or bulletin board or, view the full calendar at ASCBoston.org

## This Week

## Sunday, March 10, 2013

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
9:30 AM CRE Committee ~ Perkins Room
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 and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM Corporation Meeting ~ Hunnewell Chapel

#### Monday, March II, 2013

10:00 AM Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room
5:30 PM Connections Group ~ Stage Right Room
7:00 PM Gay Men's Spirituality Group ~ Hunnewell Chapel

#### Tuesday, March 12, 2013

\*11:30 AM Intern Committee ~ Smith Room
6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:30 PM Connections ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

#### Wednesday, March 13, 2013

\*3:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Parish Hall
6:30 PM Adult Religious Education Committee ~ Perkins Room

#### Thursday, March 14, 2013

6:30 PM Gatherings for Healing ~ Hunnewell Chapel 7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

#### Friday, March 15, 2013

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

#### Saturday, March 16, 2013

No Congregational Events

#### Sunday, March 17, 2013

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary

11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary

11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room

12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall

12:30 PM The New Jim Crow ~ Clarke Room

For additional listings, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



## Saint Patrick's Day Peace Parade

Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> ~ Assembly at 2:00 PM; Parade at 3:00 PM
There's the historic Saint Patrick's Day parade in South Boston ...
and then there's the Saint Patrick's Peace parade—the "Alternative People's Parade for Peace, Equality, Jobs, Environmental
Stewardship, Social and Economic Justice!" Arlington Street will be leaving for the Peace Parade at 1:30 from the parish hall, or look for the white "Vets for Peace" flags at the intersection of D Street and West Broadway. Questions? Please contact Laura Evonne Steinman (LES@ASCBoston.org).

## **Voices of Faith for Climate Justice**

Thursday, March 21st ~ 6-8:00 PM, Parish Hall

Please come to an interfaith Seder with a focus on environmental justice. Bring a vegetarian potluck dish, your own plates and utensils, and a Passover-related reading or ritual object to share about justice, freedom, or our environment. For more information or to sign up, please contact Laura Evonne Steinman at LES@ASCBoston.org.

### **Tom Goss Concert**

Sat., March 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ 8:00 PM, Chapel; Sun., March 24<sup>th</sup>~ II:00, AM Sanctuary Musician Tom Goss returns to Arlington Street, performing a Saturday evening concert as well as playing during the Sunday morning worship service. Tom's music continues to stand at the forefront of LGBTQ equality and arts. His newest music video, "Make Believe", made a splash, generating over 70,000 views in it's first week. His previous videos have tackled "Don't Ask Don't Tell" and marriage equality and have been featured in The Advocate, Out. com, MTV's LOGO, Towleroad, and After Elton generating over 350,000 views!

#### **New Member Class**

Wednesday, March 27th, Spiritual Journey  $\sim$  6:00, Perkins Room Sunday, March 31st, Meet ASC  $\sim$  12:30 PM, Frothingham Library

All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our next two-session new member class. Rev. Kim joins us for the first session, where we share stories about our spiritual journeys and ask our burning questions. In our second session, we learn a little of Arlington Street's history, polity, and practices; and meet some of our illustrious leadership and staff. This class is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your relationship and knowledge of Arlington Street, and to discern whether you are ready to join. Please sign up at the Welcome Table in the parish hall after the service. All are welcome!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Dead Man Walking ~ the Opera

March 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th ~ Somerville Theater, Davis Square

Jake Heggie's opera Dead Man Walking receives its New England premiere. With a libretto by Terrence McNally, adapted from the first-hand account of Sister Helen Prejean, C.S.J., it speaks of faith, redemption, and the bonds of family as seen through the eyes of a nun who establishes a unique relationship with an inmate on Death

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