

2011 Haitian Coalition Trip to Haiti

Tuesday, July 12th - Thursday, July 28th

Arlington Street Church will again be working with the Haitian Coalition during its second humanitarian trip to Haiti. This trip has a two-pronged mission. We will collaborate with individuals living in Camp Caradeux to replace the deteriorating tent school with a new four-classroom school outfitted with amenities that foster learning. Second, a team of medical volunteers will provide assistance to earthquake victims by holding medical and psychological clinics in the camp while outreaching to other areas. The team will deliver workshops on health education, substance abuse, skills building, and other topics. The cost is \$300 per week plus airfare. The deadline for signing up is June 1st. For more information about volunteer qualifications and week options, please contact Peter Lowber at socialaction@ASCBoston.org.

Boston New Sanctuary Movement: Service-Learning Trip to Arizona Borderlands

Saturday, July 23rd - Saturday, July 30th

How do the realities of the USA-Mexico borderlands influence our work for immigrant justice in the Boston area? Join our interfaith delegation for one week of learning, witness, service, and reflection in southern Arizona, USA, and northern Sonora, MX. During the trip, we will work with the interfaith humanitarian aid organization, Tucson Samaritans; the bi-national border ministry, Frontera de Cristo; and the immersion-education organization, BroderLinks. Program cost is \$550 plus airfare, and registration is due by June 1st. For more information, contact our intern minister, Rebecca Froom at RFroom@ASCBoston.org.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covenant Renewal 2011-2012

Your pledge of financial support to our beloved spiritual community is greatly appreciated. We are finalizing next year's operating budget, and it is critical to know if we can include your annual pledge! If you haven't pledged yet, now would be a great time to drop your pledge form into the collection plate, or give it to Rev. Kim. Thank You!

The Weeds Are Winning!

Jeff Bouchard is looking for a hand-me-down or new gas-powered weed wacker. The church grounds would benefit greatly from your generosity.

Do you 'like' us on facebook?

If you are on facebook, be sure to 'like' our page. You can view photos, post comments, ask questions, or RSVP to upcoming special events and concerts. It's an easy way to help our outreach efforts by showing your facebook friends that you support ASC. Simply go to www.facebook.com/ArlingtonStreetChurch, or go to our home page for a convenient link (www.ascboston.org).

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: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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.

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, MAY 22ND, 2011

WELCOME, LAMA SURYA DAS

TODAY

Book Signing with Lama Surya Das

Today ~ noon, Hunnewell Chapel

On your way down to coffee hour, stop by and meet renowned teacher and bestselling author Lama Surya Das - a leading spokesperson for Buddhist and transformative contemporary spirituality. His latest book *Buddha Standard Time* will be available, and Lama Surya Das would be happy to sign your copy.

"This book is Lama Surya Das in his most tone-perfect Western guru voice: authoritative, inviting, generous, funny, poetic, imaginative and informative, and totally accessible. For newcomers to Buddhism (and non-Buddhists interested in universal wisdom!) and 'old hands' at practice, this is a delightful read. It promises nothing less than a liberated life, freed from the angst over the tyranny of time, through the practice of loving presence. The "To Do" sections are remarkable, interesting, and inspiring."

— Sylvia Boorstein, author of *Happiness Is An Inside Job: Practicing for a Joyful Life*.

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.

Summer Nights

Today ~ 1:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Love is patient. Love is kind. Love pushes us around and makes us insane. Arlington Street's own Rachel Gitner presents a concert centered around a woman controlled by Love. Her story will invoke your first stirrings of (unrequited) love, the passionate breakup, and the peace that comes from knowing that you will survive ... and thrive. Join soprano Rachel Gitner, lutenist Matthew Wright, and special guest Kay Patterson-Shaw for one riveting hour of passion, humor, and beautiful songs by Dowland, Caccini, and Monteverdi.

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SAC Sidewalk Book Sale

Today & May 29th, 12:30-2:00 PM ~ Church Sidewalk 351 Boylston

The Social Action Committee will hold its annual used book sale on two Sundays this month. All proceeds go to support the activities of the Social Action Committee, including: Only a Child, Haiti, New Sanctuary Movement, and Villages Without Walls.

THIS WEEK

Sacred Eros: Future of Eros

Monday, May 23rd ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

How far will reproductive technologies take us? What's next for marriage and relationships? Will kink become mainstream? We'll explore these and other questions at our next meeting. Bring your ideas, and some snacks and drinks to share.

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

Tuesday, May 24th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly meets every second and fourth Tuesday throughout the church year. We are reading Sharon Salzberg's *Faith*. Join us!

Buddha's Belly is followed at 7:00 pm by a gathering of the Arlington Street Zen Center with seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk and conversation. All are welcome!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, May 25th ~ 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.

Mindful Self Compassion Workshop

Wednesday, May 25th ~ 6:30-8:30 PM, Perkins Room

Join Rev. Vera O'Brien for an introduction to the practice of mindful self compassion. Vera studied these truly transformational practices with Christopher Germer who says, "Self-compassion is a skill that can be learned by anyone. It involves generating kindness and respect toward ourselves as imperfect human beings, and learning to be present with the inevitable struggles of life with greater ease." If you have any questions, feel free to contact Vera through the church office (office@ASCBoston.org). All are welcome.

Katarzyna Sadej and Mark McNeill Recital

Friday, May 27th ~ 8:30 PM, Sanctuary

Mezzo-soprano Katarzyna Sadej and pianist Mark McNeill return to Arlington Street Church to give their second recital in a series of performances. The program will feature both song and aria, including music by Brahms, Haydn, and Fauré. The event is open to the public with no tickets required.

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

This Week

Sunday, May 22, 2011

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 ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM Nominating Committee ~ Smith Room
1:00 PM Rachel Gitner Recital ~ Hunnewell Chapel
1:00 PM Coming of Age group leaves for Walden Pond

Monday, May 23, 2011

7:00 PM Sacred Eros ~ Perkins Room

Tuesday, May 24, 2011

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

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

*3:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:30 PM Mindful Self Compassion ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM UUA Affairs Committee ~ Frothingham Library

Thursday, May 26, 2011

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal ~ Clarke Room

Friday, May 27, 2011

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall | Kitchen
8:30 PM Katarzyna Sadej and Mark McNeill Recital ~ Sanctuary

Saturday, May 28, 2011

No congregational events

Sunday, May 29, 2011

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 ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM Sewful Sunday ~ Hunnewell Chapel

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



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SAVE THE DATE

Sewful Sunday - Spiritual Passions for all ages!

Sunday, May 29th ~ 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 sooth our souls. Please bring your own supplies. Contact LES@ASCBoston.org.

Team ASC: AIDS Walk

Sunday, June 5th ~ 10 AM, Charles River Esplanade Hatch Shell

Wendy Ellertson and Vincent Licenziato are walking on Sunday, June 5th, representing Arlington Street Church. Your contributions can be given to Wendy, Vincent, or Queen Cheryl. If you would like to join us, please contact the church office at office@ASCBoston.org. Thanks!

Boston Dyke March

Friday, June 10th ~ 6:00 PM, Boston Common

Each June, the Dyke March's top priority is to provide a dynamic and welcoming space for participants of all sexualities, genders, races, ages, ethnicities, sizes, economic backgrounds, and physical abilities. We strive to create a place where political and social change can be expressed and inspired. This year's March begins at the Gazebo on the Boston Common, winds around the Common and Public Garden, and circles back to the Gazebo.

Pride!

Saturday, June 11th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Calling those of all persuasions and allies to join in our annual pre-parade Pride service! Our service will feature the history of Pride through music, from "Kiss in the Shadows" to "Born This Way!" Let's dance! At 11:45, we'll leave to march in the parade and head to the festival together. Please come for the fun! All in/all come out!

Annual Corporation (Congregation) Meeting

Sunday, June 12th ~ 12:30 PM, Sanctuary

***Vote required**

*Membership Update David McClain

*Elections (Nominating Committee) Dan Moon

1. Three Prudential Committee members for 3 year terms
2. Two Co-Moderators for 1 year term
3. Treasurer for 1 year term
4. Clerk for 1 year term
5. Chair, Church Council for 1 year term
6. Three Mass Bay Delegates for 1 year terms & 1 UUA Delegate
7. Three Urban Ministry members for 1 year terms
8. Two Bethany Union Trustees members, ongoing

*Final Budget, 2011-2012 (written) Susie Nacco

Church Administrator's Report (written) Phyllis Guiliano

Prudential Committee Report (written) Doug Fiero

Social Action Committee Report on recent actions

taken on behalf of ASC (written) Peter Lowber

Senior Minister's Report on Jubilee Grants Rev. Kim

Other Business