

Audience members will have the opportunity to participate in the reading of a virtually unknown comic play by the composer, and the Nix Ensemble will present works from Hindemith's vast output that reveal the humorous side of his music. The concert is free and open to the public. Come experience the ingenious music and outrageous humor of composer Paul Hindemith, and enjoy German pastries and refreshments!

The Nix Ensemble is composed of Arlington Street's Gwen Buttemer, oboe; and other New England Conservatory alumni, Maureen Heflinger, viola; and Chris Gamboa, piano. The ensemble is the recipient of a grant from New England Conservatory's Entrepreneurial Musicianship department, and will be presenting this concert as part of a series of events created to honor composer Paul Hindemith (1895-1963).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covenant Renewal ~ Have You Pledged Yet?

Covenant Renewal season is not over! We are still hoping for pledges from an additional 83 member households. Please get your pledge in now, so we can balance next year's budget!

There is a pledge form on the back of this publication. Just fill it out, and place it in the offering basket! Please give enough to stand by this church—to maintain the glorious building we love, to step up and pay our national and district dues, to grow the programs we so enjoy, and to support the minister and staff we depend on!

Pru in Review ~ May

- The Pru (Prudential Committee, our Board of Directors) voted to approve the budget for 2013-2014, which includes salary increases to bring the staff up to the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) fair compensation guidelines, and to also fully fund the UUA and Mass Bay District annual church dues.
- The Pru elected its leadership for 2013-2014: Shane McBride will be our chair and Harlow Robinson will be vice-chair.
- The Pru invited representatives from the "Building the World We Dream" two-year program to give a presentation on their progress and observations so far. Barb Seidl, Peter Lowber, and Clyde Grubbs shared their view of this anti-racism multi-cultural program, and other activities organized by the team throughout the year. Look for more from this dynamic group in the fall!

Fair Phone Rates for Prisoners

Please come to the Social Action table in the Parish Hall after the service to sign a post card asking the Commissioner of the Department of Telecommunications and Cable to implement just phone rates for inmates and undocumented people. Right now, prisoners and detainees pay exorbitant rates. You can also call Commissioner, Geoffrey Why at 617-305-3580.

Just Coffee—Just for You!

Friends, we have a new supply of Just Coffee! Please come and get yours at the Social Action table after the service. Just \$12 per pound for great 100% organic coffee! Help support the grower cooperative in Chiapas, Mexico, www.justcoffee.org.

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2013 through June 2014

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an annual total pledge of \$ _____ to support the work of Arlington Street Church.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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

- If you are paying with cash via the Sunday collection, please mark the envelope with your name(s) and "*2014 Pledge Payment*".
- Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church with "*2014 Pledge Payment*" written on the check memo line.
- If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete the following:

Accepted: Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm _____ yy _____ Zip Code: _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

- One payment for my entire pledge on **July 10th, 2013**
- 12 equal monthly installments on the **10th 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 **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 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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INSIDE



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MAY 26TH, 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 through the church office.

Fourth Sunday Discussions

Today ~ 12:00-2:00 PM, Stage Right Room

Join us the fourth Sunday of each month to share your thoughts or reactions to the sermon or discuss broader themes in our liberal faith.

All are welcome to discuss, raise questions, share opinions, or listen to the conversation. Members of the Adult Religious Exploration team will be on hand to help facilitate the conversation.

THIS WEEK

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

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

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

Buddha's Belly meets at 6 PM. For our last two sessions, please finish reading Thich Nhat Hanh's *Anger: Wisdom for Cooling the Flames*.

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!

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Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, May 29th ~ 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!

The Wednesdays, Arlington Street's Literary Salon *Spring, 2013: An Evening of Tom Sawyer*

Wednesday, May 29th ~ 6:00-7:30+ PM, Frothingham Library

Mark Twain is one of the most all-around satisfying writers who ever wrote; few provide as much sentence-to-sentence pleasure. Hemingway famously said that "All modern American literature comes from one book by Mark Twain called *Huckleberry Finn*," but he might as easily have said the same about *Tom Sawyer*, published eight years earlier. Although the later book deals with the far more important subject of slavery and is thus thematically richer, *Tom Sawyer* can lay claim to being perhaps the first truly American novel. Join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for proof of that claim, and to discuss *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*! In the fall, we'll devote three weeks to *Huckleberry Finn*.

Sacred Eros ~ A Farewell Potluck

Wednesday, May 29th ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

After four years, it's been decided that Sacred Eros has run its course (at least for now). This last meeting will therefore be an informal potluck for all who have attended in the past. Please bring some munchies or beverages, and your memories and hopes.

Sacred Eros is a discussion group that provides a safe and supportive space to explore questions about sexuality from a spiritual and ethical perspective. Anyone over 18 is welcome, and participants are expected to respect one another and keep personal matters discussed confidential.

CRE Visioning for 2013-2014 and Beyond!

Saturday, June 1st

Let's gather on June 1st for a Children's Religious Education (CRE) Visioning session. Come with your ideas and your strategies for how to make it all happen! If you would like to attend, please contact Laura Evonne Steinman (LES@ASCBoston.org). Childcare will be provided.

Save the Date

Flower Communion Sunday

Sunday, June 2nd ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Our annual Flower Communion service is next Sunday! The Flower Communion is a ritual created by Rev. Norbert Čapek, who founded the Unitarian Church in Czechoslovakia. He introduced this special service to that church on June 4, 1923. It honors the divinity within each of us through the sharing of flowers. Please bring a flower to share next Sunday!

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, May 26, 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 ~ Parish Hall
12:00 PM Fourth Sunday Discussion Group ~ Stage Right

Monday, May 27, 2013

No congregational events

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

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

Wednesday, May 29, 2013

*3:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM The Wednesdays Literary Salon ~ Frothingham Library
7:00 PM Sacred Eros ~ Perkins Room

Thursday, May 30, 2013

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, May 31, 2013

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, June 1, 2013

11:00 AM CRE Visioning Session ~ Perkins Room

Sunday, June 2, 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 & Ice Cream Social ~ Parish Hall
12:00 PM Corporation Meeting ~ Hunnewell Chapel
4:30 PM Project Heckelmith ~ 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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Ice Cream Social

Sunday, June 2nd ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Next Sunday, the staff of Arlington Street Church sweetly invites you to an ice cream sundae social to thank you for your gifts of love, service, and generosity! Then its time to head to the Hunnewell Chapel for our annual meeting!

Annual Corporation (Congregation) Meeting

Sunday, June 2nd ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel * Indicates Vote Required

*Membership Update

*Elections

1. Prudential Committee (3-year term)
Alex Frost
Kerry Marshall
Thomas Simers
2. Co-Moderators (1-year term)
Sam Gloyd
Desmond Ravenstone
3. Treasurer (1-year term)
Susie Nacco
4. Clerk (1-year term)
David McClain
5. Nominating Committee (1-year term)
Steve Vorenberg, Chair
Dave Erbe
Charles Howes
Ed LeMay
Art Nava

*Bylaw Changes (details below)

*FY14 Budget / Treasurer's Report

Update on Capital Projects

Questions on written reports

Other Business

Written Reports:

- Business Administrator
- Prudential Committee
- Social Action Committee

Proposed changes to the Bylaws include the following:

1. After much discussion, the Prudential Committee voted to propose the elimination of the Church Council and its Chair as a part of the church governance. The Council essentially ceased to function several years ago.
2. Several spelling corrections
3. Movement of a section of Bylaws regarding Associate Membership from Article VIII to Article II, Section C4

Project Heckelmith Concert

Sunday, June 2nd ~ 4:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of German composer Paul Hindemith's death, the Nix Ensemble will present a program of all Hindemith works, featuring the rarely performed Trio, op. 47, for heckelphone (an instrument in the oboe family), viola, and piano.

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