of extending liberty and equality to all Americans. Connections will be made between this historic process and modern Unitarian Universalist practice. For more information, or to register, please stop by the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall, or email the church office at office@ascboston.org by Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup>.s

# **Memorial Service for Roger Hale**

Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ 2:00 PM, Sanctuary

You are invited to join in celebrating the life of a long-time Arlington Street member, Roger Hale. Roger sang in our choir and was a pillar of the Arlington Street Zen Center. His family will be joining us from the Pacific Northwest. All are welcome.

## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Covenant Renewal 2011-2012

Your pledge of financial support to our beloved spiritual community is greatly appreciated. It's not too late to pledge for the church year which began on July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends June 30, 2012! 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!

# **Special Corporation Meeting ~ Election**

Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> ~ Noon, immediately following service, Sanctuary The Nominating Committee has nominated Richard Marshall to replace one Pru Member for completion of a 3- year term. The election will be the only agenda item for this meeting.

# Get Involved with Children's Religious Education

Calling for creative, fun-loving adults to be involved in the Children's Religious Education (Exploration) program at Arlington Street Church! Please e-mail Laura Evonne Steinman at LES@ ASCBoston.org, about what you might like to offer this coming year—singing, dancing, poetry, history lessons, life stories. All ideas are welcome!

# Are You A SnapShot Subscriber?

If you would like the week's news from Arlington Street Church to arrive in your inbox every week, please sign up for our e-newsletter, *SnapShot*. There's no easier way to stay in touch with all the activities at Arlington Street Church. Register today on the home page of www.ASCBoston.org!

# Love of Singing

Thursdays ~ 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Clarke Room

Do you love to sing? Would you consider sharing your voice as a gift of service to this community? Do you want to take just a couple of hours out of your week to create something beautiful? The Arlington Street Church Choir awaits you!

We rehearse on Thursdays in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. Musicians and non-musicians are welcome! If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles, who is available at the front of the sanctuary following the service or via email at MBuckles@ ASCBoston.org.

# **COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM July 2011** through **June 2012**

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
I/We Commit an <u>Annual</u> 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	$\square$ Monthly	□ Quarterly
□ Semi-annually	□ One payment	□ Or As Follows:
Signature:		Date:
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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 " <i>Pledge Payment</i> ". 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:		
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☐ 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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# News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2011

## **TODAY**

### **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.

We also want to share that the workload for our team is considerable, and we would welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. We'd like to suggest that all who enjoy the refreshments offer at least one Sunday to assist with dishes and other clean-up tasks.

For more information about joining our team, please contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero at office@ASCBoston.org

## **THIS WEEK**

# English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Mondays & Wednesdays ~ 10:00 AM, Perkins Room

Learn or improve your English! The class meets twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays. Students practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Topics include general conversation, cooking, and holiday events, as well as grammar and pronunciation. Students are also welcome to suggest their own topic ideas. The class is taught by Ann Troise, a member of Arlington Street Church, who has been certified to teach ESL by the Boston Academy of English. **No classes this week.** 

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

Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel Buddha's Belly meets every second and fourth Tuesday throughout the church year! This week we will discuss *Buddha Standard Time* by Lama Surya Das. Join us!

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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, September 28th ~ 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.

## **New Member Class**

Wednesdays, September 28<sup>th</sup> & October 5<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our two-session new member class. Please sign up at the Welcome Table downstairs in the

# **Molly Wood Recital**

Thursday, September 29th ~ 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

parish hall after the service. All are welcome!

Molly Wood invites you to a recital here at Arlington Street Church. This program presents a snapshot into the chamber music world of Paris for the past 100+ years, moving from the birth of French art song, right through to the present. The Alexander/Wood duo invites percussionist Joel Alexander to join us as we explore both our past and present in this innovative program that is both beautiful and musically evocative!

## **SAVE THE DATE**

# **Blessing of the Animals**

Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Each year on a Sunday near the Feast Day of St. Francis, we celebrate the animal companions in our lives by welcoming them (crated, on a leash, in a bowl) to be blessed. Come join in this happy, hilarious, and love-filled worship service!

# **The Seven Principles**

Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ II:00 AM, Sanctuary

While many religious traditions have a large body of liturgical music, due to the youth and diversity of our faith, there is comparatively very little music devoted specifically to Unitarian Universalist religious texts. Hoping to rectify this, our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles, began in 2007 to compose a series of seven choral introits based on the seven principles of Unitarian Universalism. On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, in celebration of our Blessing of the Animals service, the Arlington Street Choir will premiere the seventh and final principle: *We believe in the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.* This project was funded with generous support from many members of Arlington Street Church.

# **World Citizenship**

Sunday, October  $2^{nd} \sim 2:00$  PM, Sanctuary

You are warmly invited to join a group of Unitarians from Germany who are visiting us during their educational trip to the United

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

# This Week

### Sunday, September 25, 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

#### Monday, September 26, 2011

6:30 PM Membership Team Meeting ~ Perkins Room

#### Tuesday, September 27, 2011

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

### Wednesday, September 28, 2011

\*3:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel 6:30 PM New Member Class ~ Perkins Room

## Thursday, September 29, 2011

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal ~ Clarke Room 7:00 PM Molly Wood Recital ~ Sanctuary

#### Friday, September 30, 2011

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall | Kitchen

#### Saturday, October 1, 2011

No congregational Events

#### Sunday, October 2, 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

2:00 PM World Citizenship ~ Sanctuary

5:00 PM First Sunday Circle Celebration ~ 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

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States. After worshipping with us, they will sponsor an event with Gary Davis who will speak on the topic of World Citizenship.

After serving as a bomber pilot in the US Air Force during WWII, Gary renounced his American citizenship in 1948 to become a "citizen of the world." Davis has written several books on this subject, and this promises to be a very lively event. All are welcome!

## **First Sunday Circle Celebration**

Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 5:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

This monthly worship service by and for people of color and their families (including children) is sponsored by Diverse, Revolutionary, Unitarian Universalist Multicultural Ministries (DRUUMM). Please bring food for the potluck, and then join us for worship.

## The Wednesdays Literary Salon ~ Joan Didion

Wednesdays, October 5, 19, 26 & November 9  $\sim$  6:00-8:00  $_{PM.}\sim$  Frothingham Library

For many readers, Joan Didion is the best living American writer, & regardless of people's tastes, virtually everyone ranks her at the very least, among the very best. She's praised because of the range of her talents (novels, short fiction, memoir, essay, movies, theater, political reporting) and also because of her inimitable style: limpid, concise, colloquial, imaginative. She's that unusual hybrid: a writer's writer who's also a popular favorite. Her career now spans nearly half a century, and it's fair to say that for her admirers, she's never written an ungainly or uninteresting sentence. She's prolific, provocative, & memorable. She is, in a word (choose your favorite), a trip, a gas, a marvel, a knockout, a circus, an event, a phenomenon!

We'll be reading four seminal works by Didion, one per session:

- October 5<sup>th</sup> Slouching Toward Bethlehem (1968)
- October 19<sup>th</sup> Play It As It Lays (1970)
- October 26<sup>th</sup> The White Album (1978)
- November 9<sup>th</sup> Democracy (1984)

Both Slouching and White Album are contained in Didion's collected nonfiction, *We Tell Ourselves Stories in Order to Live* (2006), which you should be able to find at AbeBooks or Amazon for roughly \$20 (it's a big, fat, fabulous book with lots of other treasures). The other two, both novels, are generally available for a dollar apiece (try to get the Simon & Schuster editions). All are also available at the public library. Please start reading now. All are welcome!

# Resistance and Transformation: Unitarian Universalist Social Justice History

Thursdays, October 6<sup>th</sup> - November 10<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00-7:30 PM, Chapel Join history professor and Arlington Street Church member David Cecere and our intern minister Rebecca Froom for a six-week seminar exploring the intersection of American historic events and the Unitarian Universalist commitment to social justice. We will engage the issues of antebellum-era slavery, free speech, modern feminism, and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender rights. We'll consider how the struggle for social justice is an ongoing process

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