



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, APRIL 25TH, 2004

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Arlington Street Church
Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether a long-time member, a regular worshipper or a first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you to this morning's service. The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys.

Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth. Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our joys and concerns, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts.

Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience together here is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. You may drop it into the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service. Sunday, April 25th, 2004

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

E-mail _____

I am a first-time visitor.

I have been attending ASC for _____

I wish to: receive **THE WINDOW**, our quarterly newsletter.

have a permanent nametag for Sunday worship.

attend an introduction to ASC and Unitarian Universalism.

I would like to know more about:

Joining ASC

Choir/Music@ASC

Spiritual Practice

Adult Education

Children's Education

Social Action

Financial Giving

Covenant/Small Groups

Public Relations

Volunteering

Building & Grounds

Support Groups

Other _____

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist
Boston, Massachusetts

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PRELUDE

Ertodt uns durch dein Gute
Adagio, Animando, and Chorale
from *Veni Creator*, Op. 4

Rodger Vine, Organist
J. S. Bach
Maurice Duruflé

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Holy and Beautiful *Marguerite Shaw/R. F. Leavens*

Holy and beautiful the custom which brings us together to face our ideals, and to be enlightened. Holy and beautiful the custom which brings us together to give thanks, and to be strengthened.

Through this quiet hour breathes the worship of ages. Through this quiet hour we hear beautiful music of history.

Three unseen guests attend: faith, hope, and love. Let all our hearts prepare a place.

CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice, symbol of Unitarian Universalism, burns in celebration of the principles and purposes of our liberal faith.

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

PULPIT EDITORIAL

The Green Sanctuary

The Green Team, Kate Hardin
and Laura Pattison

***HYMN**

This Good Earth

Stand-ing still with arms wide o - pen, in the for - est filled with
Wak - ing bears come out of hid - ing, new-born cubs take in the
Here be - neath the mid - night blan - ket, stars of gold and sil - ver
snow, Waft-ing sun - light down through bran - ches, tall white pines that whis - per
day, Fish a - bound in streams a plen - ty, as the wa - ters meet the
shine, Slum-ber on - ward in - to morn - ing, day is done and night is
low: Bring the qui - et of the a - ges, moun-tain years that ebb - and
bay: Ris - ing riv - ers ev - er rush - ing, un - der skies of silk - en
kind: Earth - en jour - ney ev - er - last - ing, slid - ing through the mist - of
flow, Let the mom-ent fill with won - der, this great earth we seek to know.
gray, Let the waves of hope a - bound - ing, greet our souls and sail a - way.
time, Let us find the joy to - get - her, stream and o - cean, oak, and pine.

Words: Megan Lynes

Music: Attr. to B. F. White; harm. by Ronald A. Nelson

BEACH SPRINGS

8.7.8.7.D

CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE, ENVISIONING OUR FUTURE

Rabbi Howard A. Berman

As we kindle the tapers in the spiral candlesticks that have long been linked to the memory of Rev. William Ellery Channing, we celebrate the rich heritage of Arlington Street Church. Dr. Channing, one of the central founders of Unitarianism in this country, served as senior minister of this congregation from 1803-1842. In celebration of our 275th anniversary this year, our weekly heritage reading highlights a different episode, theme, or personality from ASC's rich and colorful history.

CANDLES OF JOY AND SORROW

George Whitehouse

This is the time in our service when you are invited to light a personal candle of joy or sorrow. Please try to focus your thoughts and be *brief*. You may also light a candle in silence at any time on the table to the right of pulpit.

MEDITATION

Rabbi Berman

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit of this congregation,
And service is our gift.
This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
To speak our truths in love,
And to help one another.

El amor es el espíritu de nuestra congregación
Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
Convivir en paz,
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 63

Spring Has Now Unwrapped the Flowers

SERMON

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

The Daffodil Principle

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Happy is the man who findeth wisdom *J. Frederick Bridge*

Today's anthem, a setting of PROVERBS III 13, 15-17, was composed for the funeral of Charles Darwin on April 26th, 1882. The work is similar in style to other English Victorian anthems of the period and was first performed in Westminster Abbey.

Although associated with a well-known name, Charles Darwin, this piece seems to be seldom performed, if ever.

“Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. She is more precious than rubies; and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.”

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

We welcome a donation of \$10 to support the work of the congregation. Please place contributions in an envelope so they may be credited toward your pledge or gift.

OFFERTORY

Adagio from *Oboe Concerto*

Rodger Vine, Pianist

Alessandro Marcello

transcribed for piano by Earl Wild in 2003

*HYMN 205

Amazing Grace!

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Ninefold Amen!

Hal Barrett

repeat only once

A - men, A - men, A - - - - men!

A - - - - men, A - men, A - - - - men!

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Finale

from *Veni Creator*, Op. 4

Rodger Vine, Organist

Maurice Duruflé

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This is the first of the six sources of Unitarian Universalism from which our living tradition draws. To read all six sources, as well as the seven principles of our free faith, please turn a few pages into our hymnal, *Singing the Living Tradition*.

ALLELUIA!

At ASC, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

CRE programming and child care are available during the 11:00 AM service, downstairs in the Perkins Room. An usher will be happy to usher you and your child(ren) there. For further information about our Children's Education Program, please contact Rabbi Berman through the Church Office.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking spaces in the alley are rented to private non-ASC users throughout the week and on Saturday until 5:00 PM. Spaces #1 and #2 are for our ministers and must be kept available **at all times**. Parking violators are towed at the owner's expense. We suggest that you park at the Boston Common Garage. Parking on Sundays is available Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are in an envelope at the Book Table during Coffee Hour each week. They will also be available from ushers.

THE ARLINGTON STREET CENTER FOR LIBERAL RELIGIOUS INQUIRY AND SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

ASC's "Mini UU University" of Adult Religious Education courses, study groups,

lectures, and Covenant groups, offering a broad variety of opportunities for learning and growth. A complete catalog of programs is available at the ASCenter Table and on our website.

BOOK TABLE

Each Sunday, in the Parish Hall, the Book Table offers a selection of Unitarian Universalist and related titles. Also available are print copies and selected audio recordings of sermons.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. **Accessible** entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The *Prudential Committee* is the elected governing board of ASC. The members are: Judith Delgiacco, Sam Goldfarb, Polly Latham, Vincent Licenziato, Peter Lowber, Ray Moore, Sarah Richards (chair), Art Shirk, and Brian Souza (vice chair). Officers of the Church are Nancy Moore (moderator), Herbert Gleason (vice moderator), Brian Reardon (treasurer), and Carol Smith (clerk).

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