



# ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, JULY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2004

**PRELUDE**

Miguel Felipe, Piano

**CHALICE LIGHTING**

Adam Sutton

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

**WELCOME AND GREETINGS**

**OPENING WORDS**

**\*HYMN 361**

Enter, Rejoice and Come In

**CANDLES OF JOY AND SORROW**

Adam Sutton

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.

**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 37**

God Who Fills the Universe

**SERMON**

Love is... a Mobius Strip

Patsy Houser

**SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

**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**

When the Summer Sun is Shining

Adam Sutton

*Margaret W. Mealy*

**\*HYMN 273**

Immortal, Invisible

**\*BENEDICTION**

Why Do You Go?

*Tegh Bahadur*

**POSTLUDE**

Miguel Felipe, Piano

\* You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.

The flowers from Heidi Meyer celebrate her good friendship with Patsy Houser, guest preacher.

**Patsy Houser**

Patsy Houser grew up in the Midwest where she was raised as a faithful Lutheran. But after moving to Boston in 1990, she found her true spiritual home when she discovered ASC by chance in 1995 and has been a member ever since. She is delighted to be giving her first sermon ever, and she thinks trees are really cool.

# 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, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

# INSIDE

## ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

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### All Are Welcome...

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We are glad you have joined us this morning for worship! The first principle of our Unitarian Universalist faith affirms the inherent worth and dignity of every person. We celebrate unity in diversity.

This morning, we invite you to:

1. Fill in the Welcome Card found on the inside flap of this order of service and place it in the collection plate;
2. Join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall;
3. Take a moment to read through *Inside ASC* for upcoming events here at the church;
4. Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
5. Please come back again soon!

### Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Meet and greet with old and new friends as you join in this lively and social environment. All are welcome.

### How to Become a Member of ASC

1. Attend a *New UU class*;
2. Make an annual pledge and an initial contribution toward that pledge; and
3. Sign the ASC membership book.

You can sign up for a *New UU Class* by contacting the church office via phone at 617-536-7050 or via e-mailing at [office@ASCBoston.org](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org). Also, check the web for the most up to date information about New UU classes.

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## Summer Worship Highlights

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### Adam Sutton: "Serving with Spirit: Finding the Call Within"

Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM

Adam Sutton will preach on the power and pleasure in finding ways to give back to the world around us, being of service with a joy-full heart. Our planet is hungry for open hands and open hearts to answer the call and move into active service as agents of peaceful change and transformation. Together, let us find ways to give that which nourishes us and moves us away from

ways to give that which nourishes us and moves us away from fear and towards a more loving community, both locally and in the greater world.

### **Darrick Jackson: “Leaving Omelas”**

Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM

Darrick Jackson is an ASC sponsored ministerial candidate. He is halfway through the M.Div. program at Andover Newton Theological School. This fall, he begins a two year internship at the First Parish Church in Watertown, Massachusetts.

### **Kate Wilkinson: “The Time of Your Life”**

Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:00 AM

Kate grew up in Plymouth, MA and attended First Parish UU Church there. She now lives in Somerville and loves her new religious home at ASC, where she is active in the Young Adult group and the Friday Night Supper Program.

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## **Summer Notes**

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### **Church Office Hours for Summer**

The ASC office will operate under summer hours through Labor Day weekend. It will be open Monday - Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. To contact the office, call 617-536-7050 or e-mail [office@ASCBoston.org](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org). Peter Johnston, Church Administrator will be out of the office from July 12-25. Shawn Newton, Business Administrator will be covering the office during that time. The church office will be closed the week of the Democratic National Convention, but staff will check voice and e-mail. The church office will return to its regular hours in September.

### **ASC’s Summer Calendar**

During the summer, Inside ASC will be published in this condensed format. For the next several months until Homecoming Sunday (Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>), the best way to stay up to date on ASC’s calendar is to visit our website. At the site, [ASCBoston.org](http://ASCBoston.org), there is an always-up-to-date calendar maintained by our facilities manager that lists all activities in the building.

### **Ways to the Spirit: A Weekend for UUs**

August 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, Murray Grove, Lanoka Harbor, New Jersey

Join Reverends Foley, Hirshberg, and Stephens for a special weekend of meditation, prayer, music, movement, and free time for your own rest and relaxation all designed to help you get in touch with the spirit within. For more information contact Rev. Craig Hirshberg 978-832-0219 or [Somerhiluu@aol.com](mailto:Somerhiluu@aol.com).

## 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 will resume in September. For further information about our Children's Education Program, please contact Rabbi Berman through the Church Office.

## THE ARLINGTON ST. CENTER FOR LIBERAL RELIGIOUS INQUIRY AND SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

Beginning in September, ASC's "Mini UU University" of Adult Religious Education courses, study groups, lectures, and Covenant groups, offers a broad variety of opportunities for learning and growth. A complete catalog of programs is available at the ASCenter Table and on our website.

## 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.

## PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET

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.

## CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The *Prudential Committee* is the elected governing board of ASC. The members are: Judith Delgiacco, Emily Dunn, Wendy Ellertson, Vincent Licenziato (council chair), Ray Moore, Liz Regan, Art Shirk (co-chair), Brian Souza (co-chair), and Kate Wilkinson. Officers of the Church are Nancy Moore (moderator), Herbert Gleason (vice moderator), Brian Reardon (treasurer), and Carol Smith (clerk).

## Staff Directory

### Ministry

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