

# Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether you are a longtime member, a regular guest, 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 sorrows and joys, 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 here together 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!

## OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

"We covenant to affirm and promote the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all."

This is the sixth of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please see the *Our Faith* brochure in the pew rack.

## ALLELUIA!

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

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education classes are held during the 11:00 AM service downstairs in the Perkins Room. Infant care is provided in the nursery, right off the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to lead you and your children there. For further information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office.

## 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 CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

## CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The *Prudential Committee* is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church. The members are: Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Doug Fiero, Danny Fournier, Carmen Griggs, Elizabeth Lindholm (Co-Chair), Mickey Randazza, Jenn Shaw, and Mark Watanabe. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Mary Ann Hardenbergh (vice-moderator), Karl Paulnack (Council Chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH  
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
HAPPY 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY!

We covenant to affirm and promote • The inherent worth and dignity of every person • Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations • Acceptance of transgender and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations • A free and responsible search for truth and meaning • The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in world affairs • The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice • The interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part • The teachings of the Bible share draws from many sources • The experience of God and the transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life • Words and deeds of prophetic work which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love • Wisdom from the many traditions which guide us in our ethical and spiritual life • Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving one another • Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit • Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature. Grateful for the religious pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our understanding and expand our vision. As free congregations we enter into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

## WE COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE

The inherent worth and dignity of every being.

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Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Please drop it into the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service. 5/17/2009

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Name(s) & Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_

I/we are visiting for the first time.  
 I/we have been attending ASC for \_\_\_\_\_  
 I/we would like a permanent nametag(s) for Sunday worship.  
(Nametags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)  
 Check here if you do *not* want to receive **Snapshot**, the e-newsletter of ASC with bi-weekly highlights of our community.

I prefer to be contacted by:  
 Mail     Phone     E-mail     No preference

I would like to know more about:  
 Membership Classes/Joining ASC     Choir/Music  
 Children's Religious Education     Social Action  
 Adult Religious Education and *Connections* (ASC's small group ministry)  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Boston, Massachusetts  
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**PRELUDE**

Selections from *L'Arlesienne Suite* Georges Bizet (1838 – 1875)  
Molly Wood, piano

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Second Principle Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)  
Teresa Tam, soprano

We believe in justice, equity, and compassion in all  
human relations. Amen.

**WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS**

**CHALICE LIGHTING**

Hon. Margaret Marshall

*Dedicated to our heroes,  
Rob Compton and David Wilson,  
on their fifth wedding anniversary,  
the fifth anniversary of equal marriage in Massachusetts,  
for which they worked so hard!*

Amaze Me

Mark David Buckles, guitar

Ty Greenstein (b. 1974)

**\*HYMN**

The UU Principles Song text: Erick DuPree  
music: Oscar Hammerstein (1895 – 1960)

ONE: Each person is worthwhile  
TWO: Be kind in all you do  
THREE: We help each other learn  
FOUR: In search of what is true  
FIVE: All people have a say  
SIX: Work for a peaceful world  
SEVEN: The web of life's the way  
That'll bring us back to me and UU!

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING**

Go In Joy

text: Barbara Pescan  
music: Bart Bradfield

Go in joy, go in peace to meet the day! With  
open hearts embrace life's wonder. We will guide you,  
we will love you on your way.

The children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick  
DuPree. All children are welcome!

**COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY** Todd Rinehart

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the  
congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the  
right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until  
the beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards  
are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a  
candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org,  
and clicking on "Worship."

We Pray

Nick Page (b. 1952)

J. Jacob Krause, baritone; Teresa Tam, soprano

**AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT**

Love is the spirit	El amor es el espíritu
of this congregation,	de nuestra congregación
And service is our gift.	Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
This is our great covenant:	Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
To dwell together in peace,	Convivir en paz,
To speak our truths in love,	Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
And to help one another.	Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

**\*HYMN**

Standing on the Side of Love

Jason Shelton (b. 1972)

We are standing on the side of love:  
Hands joined together as hearts beat as one.  
Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim  
We are standing on the side of love.

**SERMON**

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

Free to Be

**SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

**ANTHEM**

The May Night

Johannes Brahms (1833 – 1897)

**OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of  
Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week  
plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated.  
Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed  
in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

**OFFERTORY**

Etude No. 4

Earl Wild (b. 1915)

from *Seven Virtuoso Etudes on Popular Songs* by George Gershwin

Rodger Clinton Vine, piano

**\*HYMN 168**

One More Step

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**

May the Prayers of Our Hearts

text: Anonymous  
music: Mark David Buckles

May the prayers of our hearts and the songs of our lips  
shared in this holy hour be with us now and in  
all the days to come. Amen.

**\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

**POSTLUDE**

The Hallelujah Chorus

G. F. Handel (1685 – 1759)

(Played in celebration of the fifth anniversary  
of same-sex marriage in Massachusetts)

Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

**...and Service is Our Gift**

Art Nava, Head Greeter  
Carol Fisher, Assistant Treasurer  
Ellen Spencer, Head Usher and Assistant Treasurer  
Michael Orzech, Lead Worship Coordinator  
Todd Rinehart, Candles Coordinator



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