Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – OCTOBER 25, 2015

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

Name
Address
City, State, Zip
Phone numbers
E-mail
Spouse/Partner
Children's Name(s) & Age(s)
\Box I/we are visiting for the first time.
□ I/we have been attending ASC for
\Box I/we would like a permanent name tag(s) for Sunday worship. (Name tags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
☐ How did you hear about Arlington Street?
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
□ Social Action □ Children's Religious Education
☐ Adult Religious Education & Connections (ASC's small group ministry)
□ Young Adult Group □ Other

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

At Your Service:

- * If you would like a large print order of service and hymns, or Brailled hymns
- * If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- * If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance Any usher will be happy to help!

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, Robert Holley Lead Greeter, Queen Cheryl Thieret Lead Usher, Dave Erbe Worship Coordinators, Melissa Dlugolecki and Liz Weber Assistant Treasurers, Nancy George and Dave Erbe

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:

Tina Rose (chair) / Mary Marcel (vice chair) Rick Cresta / Alex Frost / Connie Scanlon Dave Erbe / Eve Lauria / Kerry Marshall / Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Susie Nacco (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Desmond Ravenstone (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk) Thomas Simers (assistant clerk)

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.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

ALLELUIA!

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

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."

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Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 2015

THE 7 PRINCIPLES

- 1. The inherent worth and dignity of every being
- 2. Justice, equity, and compassion in all relations
- 3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth
- 4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
- 5. Democracy and the right of conscience within our community and throughout our world
- 6. World community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
- 7. The interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part

Arlington Street Church Boston, Massachusetts Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 2015

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

PRELUDE

Introit

We believe in acceptance of one another and encouragement of spiritual growth.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

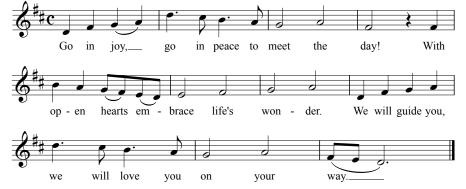
The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*Hymn 18

What Wondrous Love arr. Mark David Buckles

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction text: Barbara Pescan music: Bart Bradfield



At this time, all children are welcome to join the Children's Religious Education program!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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, by clicking on "Worship."

Sanctuary John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953) text adapted by Crawford Harvie / Buckles music arranged by Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

> Open my heart to be a sanctuary All made holy, loved and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you

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,

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,

Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 102

We the Heirs of Many Ages Julie Gregorio, soprano

And to help one another.

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

O Spirit All-Embracing text: Delores Dufner, Order of Saint Benedict music: Gustav Holst (1874 - 1934); arr. Richard Proulx (1937 - 2010)

O Spirit, all-embracing and counselor all-wise,
Unbounded splendor gracing a shoreless sea of skies:
Unfailing is your treasure, unfading your reward;
Surpassing worldly pleasure, the riches you afford.
Come, stream of endless flowing, and rescue us from death;
Come, wind of springtime blowing, and warm us by your breath.

O Beauty, ever-blazing in flower, field and face, You show yourself amazing in unexpected place. We see you and remember what once our dreams had been; You fan the glowing ember and kindle hope within. Come, fire of glory gracious, bless all who trust in you; Undying flame tenacious, burn in your church anew.

Come, passion's power holy, your insight here impart,
And give your servants lowly an understanding heart
To know your care more clearly when faith and love are tried,
To seek you more sincerely when false ideals have died:
For vision we implore you, for wisdom's pure delight;
In prayer we come before you to wait upon your light.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

We share half of the morning's offering with a community partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. Over 300 pledging members and friends also support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week

plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY

Serve God, love me and mend This is not the end Lived unbruised, we are friends And I'm sorry, I'm sorry

Sigh no more, no more
One foot in sea, one on shore
My heart was never pure

You know me, you know me But man is a giddy thing

Love; it will not betray you Dismay or enslave you, it will set you free Be more like the one you were made to be

There is a design, an alignment, a cry Of my heart to see, The beauty of love as it was made to be

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Hymn 29

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)
When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good
music: Tom Witt, arranged by Mark David Buckles

When you walk from here, When you walk from here, Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Etude in G-flat Op. 10, No. 5 Frédéric Chopin (1810 - 1849)

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

If you have arrived today with a baby or small child, there is a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your pleasure. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit, through the chapel, and the room will be on your left before the stairs.

- Pre-schoolers will be in the Chapel with Taan and Allie.
- Kindergarten-2nd graders will be learning about the promises we make to one another in Unitarian Universalist communities. They will be in the Perkins Room will Laura and Grady.
- 3rd-6th graders will be learning about the Unitarian Universalist superhero King John Sigismund of Transylvania. They will be in the Carol Smith Room with Carol and Sandy.
- 7th grade and up are invited to enjoy the sermon, or to join the children and share your gifts in the CRE program.