

SAVE THE DATE

Statement of Conscience on Ethical Eating

Sunday, January 9th ~ 9:30 AM, Smith Room

The Social Action Committee is seeking Congregational comments for the UUA's Statement of Conscience on Ethical Eating. Come to the Social Action meeting and contribute your two cents or send your comments to ethicaleating@ASCBoston.org. You'll find the statement text at UUA.org/socialjustice/issuesprocess. UUA poll closes Feb. 1st.

Corporation Meeting

Sunday, January 9th ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

***Vote required**

*Membership Update David McClain
Treasurer's Report Susie Nacco
Church Administrator's Report Phyllis Guiliano
Prudential Committee Report Doug Fiero
Social Action Committee Report Peter Lowber
Donation of Tiffany Window Watercolors Prudential Committee
Discussion, Vision 500, Prudential forum 11/16/2010 Doug Fiero,
Karl Paulnack, Rev. Kim

Other Business

New Member Class

Monday, January 10th & Wednesday, January 12th ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room

All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our next two-session new member class. Please sign up at the Welcome Table downstairs in the Parish Hall after the service. All are welcome!

English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Tuesday and Thursday, January 11th & 13th ~ 9:30 AM, Perkins Room

Learn English! Improve your English! This class meets twice a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 AM. Students will practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Topics include general conversation, cooking, and holiday events, as well as grammar and pronunciation. Students are welcome to suggest their own topic ideas. Instructor Helen Bhardwaj has taught ESL in the United States, China, and Thailand.

Remembering Haiti: One Year Later

Wednesday, January 12th ~ 5:00 PM, Somerville High School

Come share prayers, ring bells, hear stories of the earthquake, and discuss our hopes for the future of Haiti. Sponsored by the Haitian Coalition. Co-sponsored by Arlington Street Church and First Parish Cambridge.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information on Tiffany Window Watercolors

Please see www.cwebdev.com/Watercolors/index.htm to learn about the Tiffany Windows watercolors and the proposal Holly Hendricks made at the June Corporation meeting about preserving the watercolors.

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

“Direct experience of that 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 life.”

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 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.

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

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

THE MEMBERS ARE:

Rob Cotta / Doug Fiero (chair) / Danny Fournier
Carmen Griggs / Mark MacDonnell /
Karl Paulnack (vice-chair) / Deb Pontes
Mickey Randazza / Bob Sessions

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Paul Dakin (council chair) / Samuel Gloyd &
Diana Miller (co-moderators) / David McClain
(clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

CRE begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs in the Perkins Room for CRE. There is an adjacent toddler room for parents with children ages 1-5. Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the Nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. For information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office or see the religious educator.

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."

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH, 2010

Happy Feast of Saint Stephen, Boxing Day, and Kwanzaa!

PRELUDE

Jazz Improvisation
Joe Della Penna, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Down By the Riverside *Traditional Gospel*
Marques Hollie, tenor; Joe Della Penna, piano

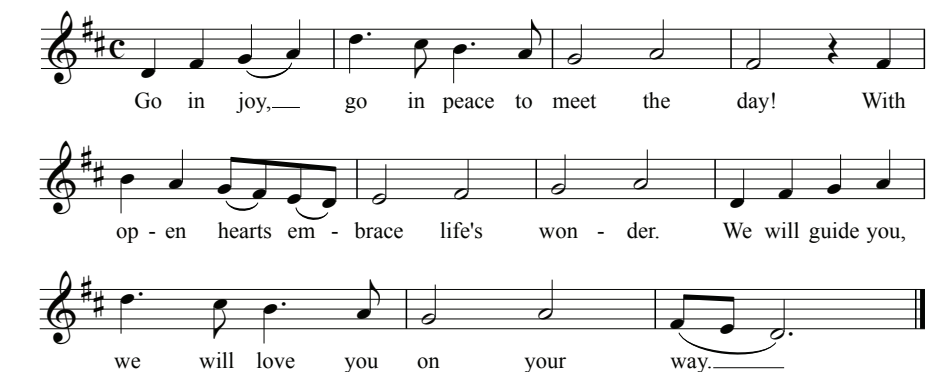
CHALICE LIGHTING

Laura Evonne Steinmann

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

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



Following the Children's Blessing, all children are always welcome to join us for Children's Religious Education!

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***HYMN**

Good King Wenceslas music: 13th Century Carol
text: *John Mason Neale* (1818-1866)

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| <p>Good King Wenceslas looked out On the feast of Stephen When the snow lay round about Deep and crisp and even Brightly shone the moon that night Though the frost was cruel When a poor man came in sight Gath'ring winter fuel "Hither, page, and stand by me If thou know'st it, telling Yonder peasant, who is he? Where and what his dwelling?" "Sire, he lives a good league hence Underneath the mountain Right against the forest fence By Saint Agnes' fountain." "Bring me flesh and bring me wine Bring me pine logs hither Thou and I will see him dine When we bear him thither."</p> | <p>Page and monarch forth they went Forth they went together Through the rude wind's wild lament And the bitter weather "Sire, the night is darker now And the wind blows stronger Fails my heart, I know not how, I can go no longer." "Mark my footsteps, my good page Tread thou in them boldly Thou shalt find the winter's rage Freeze thy blood less coldly." In his master's steps he trod Where the snow lay dinted Heat was in the very sod Which the Saint had printed Therefore, all good folk, be sure Wealth or rank possessing Ye who now will bless the poor Shall yourselves find blessing</p> |
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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."

Spirit Of Life (Hymn 123)

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| <p>Spirit of Life, come unto me. Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion Blow in the wind, rise in the sea; Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice. Roots hold me close; wings set me free; Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.</p> | <p><i>Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí. Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión. Sopla al volar, sube en la mar; Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida Arráigame, libérame, Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.</i></p> |
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AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

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| <p>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.</p> | <p>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.</p> |
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***HYMN 347**

Gather the Spirit

SERMON

Living on the Edge Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

All Good Gifts, from *Godspell* *Stephen Schwartz* (b. 1948)
Marques Hollie, tenor; Joe Della Penna, piano

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

Prelude on Joy to the World *G. F. Handel* (1685-1759)
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ and *Raymond Haan* (b. 1938)

***HYMN 57**

All Beautiful the March of Days

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

R. M. Rilke

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** (*sung twice; please join us!*)

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Buckles*

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

POSTLUDE

A Joyous Christmas (Carol Medley) *John Leavitt* (b. 1956)
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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

TODAY – December 26th, 2010

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today in CRE we will continue our focus on the third Unitarian Universalist Principle: spiritual growth and acceptance. We're using our time to reflect on the holiday season and what it means to be Unitarian Universalist. All ages are welcome!

Please note that next Sunday, January 2nd, Laura will be out of town, but there will be CRE with JP and some parents! Our theme for January will be our 4th Unitarian Universalist Principle: Each person is free to search for truth and meaning in their life!

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH, 2010

TODAY

Coffee Hour

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service
Let's all gather downstairs for coffee, comestibles, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

Martin Luther King National Volunteer Day Donations

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service
This year National Volunteer Day at Arlington Street Church will support School On Wheels of Massachusetts. Our focus will be to supply homeless children (K-12) with new, high quality backpacks filled with school supplies: pens, pencils, notebooks, pocket folders, flashcards, new books for children ages 3-10, educational workbooks for reading and math, rulers etc. \$50 will sponsor a filled backpack. However, all donations will be gratefully accepted! Please mail checks to ASC made out to Arlington Street Church, with a notation for School on Wheels; or drop off your backpacks, supplies, and donations at the Membership Table. For more information speak to Susie Nacco, Rob Cuddi, or go to www.schoolonwheelssmass.org. Donations will be accepted today through January 19, 2011.

THIS WEEK

Sacred Eros Holiday Party!

Monday, December 27th ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room
Come join Sacred Eros, a discussion group about spirituality and sexuality led by Desmond Ravenstone, for informal fun and fellowship. This month's topic is wide open, and we encourage everyone to bring yummy treats to share.

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, December 29th ~ 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 will go to the church.

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