

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.

TODAY – March 20, 2011

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.

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
- Social Action Children's Religious Education
- Adult Religious Education and Connections (ASC's small group ministry)
- Other _____

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!

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

"We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: The inherent worth and dignity of every person."

This is the first principle of Unitarian Universalism from which our living tradition draws. To read all seven principles, 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.

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

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

THE MEMBERS ARE:

Doug Fiero (chair) / Danny Fournier / Carmen Griggs / Mark MacDonnell / Art Nava / 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

Children's Religious Education 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 CRE program, please contact the church office or see our 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, MARCH 20TH, 2011

HAPPY SPRING!



The earth is what we all have in common.

Wendell Berry- Author, farmer, cultural critic
1934 -

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Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

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PRELUDE

Romanian Folk Dances and Hungarian Folksongs

Molly Wood, piano *Béla Bartók* (1881-1945)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Wie Melodien, Op. 105 No. 1 *Johannes Brahms* (1833-1897)

J. Jacob Krause, baritone; Molly Wood, piano

CHALICE LIGHTING ... Laura Evonne Steinman and Our Children

WELCOME

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

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

Go in joy,— go in peace to meet the day! With
op - en hearts em - brace life's won - der. We will guide you,
we will love you on your way.

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

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS AND GREETINGS

Covenant Renewal Susan Barclay

*HYMN 159

This Is My Song

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)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

Sopla al volar, sube en la mar;

Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

Arráigame, libérame,

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit of this congregation,
And service is our gift.

El amor es el espíritu de nuestra congregación

This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
To speak our truths in love,
And to help one another.

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 86

Blessed Spirit of My Life

SERMON

Afflicting the Comfortable Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

Quell Torrente from *Guilio Cesare*

J. Jacob Krause, baritone *Georg Frideric Handel* (1685-1759)
Molly Wood, 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

Spring Comes Early (1998) *Mark Hayes* (b. 1953)
Rodger Clinton Vine, piano

*HYMN 29

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

***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

Pasticcio (1957) *Jean Langlais* (1907-1991)
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

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

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Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Happy Spring! Thanks to everyone who joined the CRE Potluck Spring Breakfast this morning!

In appreciation of the first day of spring and of our 6th Unitarian Universalist Principle - Peaceful, Fair, and Free, we will explore the Boston Garden during Religious Education time today and return by the end of the service.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Assistant Treasurers, Ellen Spencer and Carol Fisher
Candles Coordinators, Liz Weber
Lead Greeter, Nancy Perna
Lead Usher, Ellen Spencer
Worship Coordinator, Lois Hartsough
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