Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – APRIL 26, 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
☐ 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, *Art Nava*Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*Lead Greeter, *Queen Cheryl*Lead Usher, *Dave Erbe*Worship Coordinator, *George Whitehouse*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:

Alex Frost (chair) / Greg Haig (vice-chair) Christine Curtiss / Dave Erbe / Mary Marcel Kerry Marshall / Dan Moon / Tina Rose Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

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

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, April 26^{th} , 2015

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM
PROMOTES SEVEN PRINCIPLES

We believe in the inherent worth and dignity of every being.

~ Our First Principle ~

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, APRIL 26TH, 2015

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

Prelude

Adagio, from the ballet Spartacus Aram Khachaturian (1903-1978) Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

Introit

Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano

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WELCOME AND GREETINGS

CHALICE LIGHTING

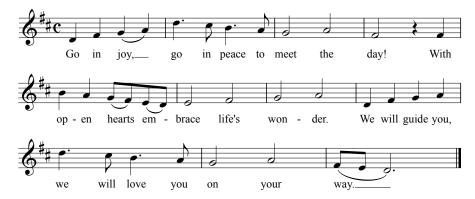
from "A Kol Nidre" Rev. Mark Belletini The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith

*Hymn 1008

When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place arr. 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."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of Healing Prayer.

Healing Prayer music: Nick Page (b. 1952)

text: African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano



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, Yayudarnos los unos a los otros.

*HYMN 1023

Building Bridges

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Sing Me to Heaven text: Jane Griner music: Daniel Gawthrop (b. 1949)

In my heart's sequestered chambers

Lie truths stripped of poet's gloss.

Words alone are vain and vacant and my heart is mute.

In response to aching silence

Memory summons half-heard voices,

And my soul finds primal eloquence and wraps me in song.

If you would comfort me, sing me a lullaby.

If you would win my heart, sing me a love song.

If you would mourn me and bring me to God,

Sing me a requiem, sing me to heaven.

Touch in me grief and comfort;

Love and passion, pain and pleasure.

Sing me a lullaby, a love song, a requiem.

Love me, comfort me, bring me to God: Sing me a love song, Sing me to heaven

Today's prelude and offertory are by Armenian composers, and are performed in remembrance of the Armenian genocide 100 years ago on April 24, 1915. ¡Presente!

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

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

Covenant Renewal: #IamASCBoston ~ Harlow Robinson

* HYMN 201

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah

*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)

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

Epilogue on a Theme of Frescobaldi, for Pedals Alone (1951) Jean Langlais (1907-1991) Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Today, CRE is continuing a unit on climate justice.

- Kindergarten-2nd graders and Sandy have another opportunity to make chalices and create chalice lightings about the importance of the natural world for our Unitarian Universalist faith.
- 2nd-8th graders will hear from Claire and Lucy about their experience marching in the People's Climate March last September and how their faith inspires them to fight for climate justice.

If you are interested in volunteering with CRE or would like to learn more about our program, please email cre@ascboston.org.

The Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie is away this week. She will be back in the pulpit next Sunday!

With great joy, we welcome home Joanna Lubkin, now serving as the Intern Minister at the Unitarian Universalist congregation in Wellesley.