### The Wednesdays: Huckleberry Finn

Wednesdays, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, November 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>~ 6:00 PM, The Froth

Please join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for Arlington Street's fall literary salon: Mark Twain's Huckleberry Finn!

Hemingway said that "All modern American literature comes from one book by Mark Twain called Huckleberry Finn," and generations of readers and writers have agreed. Published in England in 1884, it appeared the next year in the United States and was immediately banned throughout the country. A century and a half later, it's still a controversial book because it forces us to confront the central problem of American life: our national tragedy of slavery. Professor Helms writes, "It's an extremely important book but also one of the most delightful and memorable novels ever written. Its vivid characters, antic events, and hilarious satire make for compulsive reading. I know of no other American novel that is as much fun and also as profound as Huck Finn." Join us as we explore this towering, necessary, and mesmerizing American masterpiece. Recommended text: The Norton Critical Edition of "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" (3rd edition). You'll find cheap copies at Amazon

and abebooks.com. But pretty much any edition will work.

# Homecoming Sunday

### Sunday, September $8^{th} \sim 11:00$ AM, Sanctuary

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie; our Music Director, Mark David Buckles; the choir; our Religious Educator, Laura Evonne Steinman; and our Intern Minister, Catie Scudera are all on summer break. They will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Please bring a little water from your summer travels for our water communion celebration!

# Whether a member, regular worshipper, or first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you this morning.

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 together here 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!

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.

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#### **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 MEMBERS ARE:

Art Nava (chair) / Shane McBride (vice-chair) Christine Curtiss / Greg Haig / Richard Marshall Dan Moon / Deb Pontes / Ellen Payzant Harlow Robinson

### **OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:**

Samuel Gloyd & Karl Paulnack (co-moderators) David McClain (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!

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Sr. Minister

Rev. George G. Whitehouse, Minister at Large

Lisa Mobayed, Ministerial Field Education Student

Rev. Eugene B. Navias, Assoc. Min. Emeritus

Ann Clarke, post-doctoral Intern Minister

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Please ask an usher for assistance.

Ministry

Music

#### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING**

The Children's Religious Education Program is on hiatus and will resume on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Childcare will be provided this summer during the service. Please bring your children to the great doors on Arlington Street before the service to meet up with the caregiver.

Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table, and supplies are available, and the service is piped in.

#### 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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# Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Barbara Seidl Worship Coordinator, Rev. George G. Whitehouse Candles Coordinator, Ann Clarke *Lead Greeter*, Queen Cheryl *Lead Usher*, Dave Erbe Assistant Treasurers, Nancy George & Dave Erbe



# Prelude

we must be

so bold, so brave, and so loving.

# WELCOME AND GREETINGS

# \*Hymn 361

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In Molly Wood, piano; Matt Meyer, drum and vocals

# READING

# **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."

Julie Gregorio, soprano Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano **Jonathan Price**, tenor Zachary Ballard, baritone

SUNDAY, JUNE  $23^{\text{TH}}$ , 2013 Welcome to Summer Services

I've Been in the Storm So Long Swing Low, Sweet Chariot Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel My Lord, What A Morning Molly Wood, piano ...... Traditional, arr. *Calvin Taylor* (b. 1948)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

\*You Are Called ..... Congregation

# **CHALICE LIGHTING**

Prayer for Living in Tension ...... Rev. Joseph M. Cherry From, Voices From the Margins: An Anthology of Meditations edited by Jacqui James and Mark Morrison-Reed If we have any hope of transforming the world and changing ourselves, bold enough to step into discomfort, brave enough to be clumsy there, loving enough to forgive ourselves and others. May we, as people of faith, be granted the strength to be

Ten Rules for Being Human ..... Dr. Cherie Carter Scott

### Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

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

Spirit of Life, come to me,

set me free;

come to me.

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.

#### **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. Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

#### \*Hymn 205

**Amazing Grace** 

#### **SERMON**

Was Lost But Now Am Found: Stories of Transformation Barbara Seidl

#### **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.

#### **OFFERTORY**

How Can I Keep from Singing Molly Wood, piano; Matt Meyer, drums

### SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

### **PARISH HIGHLIGHTS**

### \*Hymn

The Rhythm Hymn

### **\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

### POSTLUDE

Sara's Band ..... Chip Davis (b. 1947) Molly Wood, piano

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



# News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, JUNE  $23^{\text{TH}}$ , 2013

# All Are Welcome

#### WE ARE GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US THIS MORNING FOR WORSHIP! THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH AFFIRMS THE INHERENT WORTH AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON. WE CELEBRATE UNITY IN DIVERSITY.

This morning, we invite you to:

- \* Fill in the Welcome Card and place it in the collection plate;
- \* Join us for coffee and a light lunch in the Parish Hall;
- \* Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
- \* Please come back again soon!

# **Today's Speaker**

BARBARA SEIDL has been a member of Arlington Street Church for fifteen years and is honored to be invited back into the pulpit for this, her fifth consecutive summer.

### Speaking on June 30<sup>th</sup>

Helping and Healing Mary Marcel

MARY MARCEL has been an ASC member since 1994. She was born in western Pennsylvania on a small farm. Mary completed her BA and MA at the University of Virginia. She earned her doctorate in Rhetoric at the University of California at Berkeley, where Mary helped to unionize teaching assistants, and start a department of Multicultural Bisexual, Lesbian, Gay and Transgender Studies. She teaches information design and corporate communication at Bentley University and is currently working on a book analyzing newspaper coverage of the priest sex crisis.

Toni Morrison's Beloved, Judith Hermann's stories of trauma on the battlefield, It's a Wonderful Life, and Will Roscoe's telling of the life of a Zuni Two Spirit will feature in this meditation on what we can do for others and what we can do for ourselves.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

During summer, life at Arlington Street Church slows down and Inside Arlington Street Church is published in this leaner format. Until Homecoming Sunday Service on September 8<sup>th</sup>, the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, www. ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar". Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, keeps it current.

community!

# Fourth Sunday Discussions

Today ~ Noon, Stage Right Room Join us the fourth Sunday of each month to share your thoughts or reactions to the sermon or discuss broader themes in our liberal faith. All are welcome to discuss, raise questions, share opinions, or listen to the conversation. Members of the Adult Religious Exploration team will be on hand to help facilitate the conversation.

The Membership Committee's purpose is to ensure that Arlington Street is a visible and welcoming community that supports existing members and facilitates a deepening of individual members' belonging. Please consider joining us at this or any meeting to share your ideas, ask questions, or support our efforts.

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 is a \$10 charge that goes to the church. First class is free!

Buddha's Belly, Arlington Street's reading group of all things Buddha and Buddhist, is on hiatus over the summer. Suggested summer reading is Google engineer and personal growth pioneer Chade-Meng Tan's Search Inside Yourself. Amazon says, "With Search Inside Yourself, Chade-Meng Tan ... offers a proven method for enhancing mindfulness and emotional intelligence....a course in health, happiness, and creativity...."

Buddha's Belly will reconvene on Tuesday, September 10th, from 6:00-7:00, when we will discuss Search Inside Yourself and choose our first book of the fall. All are welcome!

# Summer Worship Highlights

# **Arlington Street Church's Summer Calendar**

# **Coffee Hour**

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, a light lunch, and

# Membership Team Meeting

### Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room

# Kundalini Yoga Class

### Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

# **Buddha's Belly ~ Summer Reading**

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