



Pru in Review

Some work is being done over the summer regarding the composition of our investment portfolio. An Investments Subcommittee is being formed.

The Pru and HR discussed communications regarding concerns about Laura Evonne Steinman's recent departure, and the processes to be used to find and hire interim and permanent CRE Directors. The Pru affirmed its commitment to support the transition efforts and to keep the congregation engaged and informed as much as circumstances permit.

Pink & Co. detailed the progress on the ramp. They have successfully leapt the hurdle of the Boston Landmarks Commission, and are finishing up the removal and cleanup of the previous construction. They also presented blueprints of the new ramp, and a timeline for ramp construction through September.

The Pru took a small step toward orienting its new members and planning for the new year.

Share the Plate

Each Sunday between September and June, we shared the offering plate with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. This year's Share the Plate recipients include:

The Katie Tyson Fund for Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Beyond the 11th, which supports widows of terrorism in Afghanistan.

Into the Woods, a weekend of camping in Vermont for kids from Dorchester and Roxbury.

PetPals, cat and dog volunteers who, along with their human companions, visit elderly residents in long-term care facilities.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, to support their work to stop the Dakota Access Pipeline.

The Haitian Coalition, to support Hurricane Matthew Relief Drive for People in Haiti.

Friday Night Supper Program, feeding our neighbors who are hungry and homeless.

Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church in Dorchester, for their holiday outreach.

Stop Hunger Now/Rise Against Hunger to package 20,000 meals

Renewal House, providing shelter and services for people escaping domestic violence.

Only a Child, a home, carpentry shop, and venue for education for street kids in Guatemala.

Boston Marathon Charity Runners for Team Hoyt and Team Leyden, supporting The Hoyt Foundation and Boston Children's Hospital.

Louis D. Brown Peace Institute, the anti-gang violence organization in Boston.

Camperships to help get kids and youth off the city streets and into the word at camps sponsored by Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries (Fresh Air Camps), Into the Woods (Arlington Street Church), and Lend a Hand Society, and

Thank you for your Generosity!

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:

Al Ingram (chair) / Rick Cresta (co-chair) / Joe Alen Dan Brotman / Lois Hartsough / Eve Lauria Deb Pontes / Ted Rudinsky / Connie Scanlon

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Art Nava (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Gaby Whitehouse (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (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.

TIFFANY WINDOWS

The 2015 restoration of Arlington Street Church's Tiffany stained glass windows was made possible through the generous support of this congregation, an anonymous donor, and the George B. Henderson Foundation. The guided tour program for our historic church and its unique Tiffany stained glass windows is now open. Tours are offered Monday through Saturday until October. More information is available at office@ASCBoston.org.

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."

Staff Directory

Parish Ministers

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Senior Minister

Rev. George G. Whitehouse, Minister at Large

Beth Robbins, Intern Minister

Community Ministers

Dr. Arthur Judge

Hospital Chaplain, retired

Rev. Clyde Grubbs

Interim Minister, Cambridge

Rev. Fred Small

Minister for Climate Justice

Rev. Joanna Lubkin

Chaplain, Wellesley College

Rev. Vera O'Brien

Chaplain, Brigham and Women's Hospital

Intern Ministers

Erica Rose Long

Massachusetts General Hospital

Liz Weber

UU Church of Reading, Massachusetts

Music

Mark David Buckles, Director of Music

Emily Jaworski, Assistant Conductor

Rodger Clinton Vine, Artist in Residence

Choir Section Leaders

Julie Gregorio, soprano

Daniel Rosensweig, tenor

Lawson Daves, bass

Administration

Jeffrey Bouchard, Congregational Administrator

Adam Berman, Bookkeeper

Brad Nobles, Sexton

Laurinda O'Connor, Publications

All staff members may be reached

through the church office

Office@ASCBoston.org or 617-536-7050

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Summer Seminary

Worship Coordinator, Erica Rose Long

Candles Chaplain, Art Judge

Song Leader, Mark David Buckles

Lead Greeter, Nancy Perna

Lead Usher, Deb Vittner

Assistant Treasurers, Paul Babbitt & Nancy Perna



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH, 2017

Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

Improvisation on *Spirit of Life*

melody: *Carolyn McDade* (b. 1935)

Mark David Buckles, piano

Julie Metcalf, violin

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

CHALICE LIGHTING led by Summer Seminary participant

It Is That Time and That Place *Rev. Qiyaham Rahman*

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*HYMN 1008

When Our Heart is In a Holy Place

intro by Summer Seminary participant

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Erica Rose Long and Summer Seminary participant

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: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*

music arranged: *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,

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 123

Spirit of Life intro by Summer Seminary participant

HOMILIES Summer Seminary Students

ANTHEM

Blessed Unrest Zohar Tobi (b. 1985)

Oh I am waking up to find my world
Between the dying and being reborn
I see what is and I see what could be
Can't close my eyes again and go back to sleep

Chorus

*Fill my days with blessed unrest
And my nights with dreams of justice
Make me a vessel for the turning of the tide*

How can I change our course, just a lonely voice?
Wish I could lose myself in all the noise
But if we all would rise, a generation proud
Then with a mighty song, we turn this world around...

Chorus

Ancestors all behind
And before me every child
I bring the power of a long unbroken line
So when our time is through, I want to know
Did what we came to do for the Future Ones
So in our darkest days, may we all be strong
And give our lives so life may go on

Chorus

HOMILIES Summer Seminary Students

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston. Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the larger community – half of the offering is shared with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code.



Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Sunday River Waltz Pete Sutherland

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 1064

Blue Boat Home intro by Summer Seminary participant

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good
music: Tom Witt, arranged: 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

Door County No. 2 Larry Ungar (b. 1951), arr. Metcalf/Buckles
Red Prairie Dawn ... Garry Harrison (1954-2012), arr. Metcalf/Buckles
Julie Metcalf, fiddle
Mark David Buckles, guitar

INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH, 2017

All Are Welcome

We are glad you have joined us this morning for worship!

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!

Speaking Today

Summer Seminary is a program for Unitarian Universalist youth to explore their interests in becoming religious professionals. Youth from around the country will spend a week in Boston learning from ministerial and lay leaders. Arlington Street Church is excited to host Summer Seminary for their "Preach On" on Saturday evening, July 29th and for Sunday worship on July 30th.

Speaking on Sunday, August 6TH

The Sound of the Genuine Liz Weber

How do we choose our paths in life? What shapes us? And what happens when we heed our inner call? In worship today, we'll explore the meaning and power of that difficult-to-define thing that Howard Thurman calls "the sound of the genuine."

Liz Weber is a student minister at Arlington Street Church and has been part of the community since 2004. She is an alum of Andover Newton Theological School, where she earned her M. Div. and certificates in pastoral care and in religion and conflict transformation. Liz is the 2016-2017 recipient of the UUA/Andover Newton James Luther Adams Award for the Study of Liberal Theology. She is glad to be back home to lead worship.

SUMMER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



Summertime at Arlington Street

The program staff and the Arlington Street Choir are away for the summer, but will be back for worship on September 10th. Today and every Sunday through Labor Day, we are grateful to our musicians, our preacher, the volunteer team, and Jaimie Dingus, our Summer Student Minister, for this beautiful worship service!

Next to the Hunnewell Chapel, there is a nursery for restless babies and their caregivers. This space offers a rocking chair, changing table with supplies, and a live audio feed of the service.

Should you need a minister over the summer, please call the church office at 617-536-7050. The admin staff is always here for you; Jeffrey, and Brad are glad to help! Happy summer, one and all!

During summer the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar." Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, keeps it current.



Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, light lunch, & community!



We Need Your Smiling Face!

The Arlington Street Church Visitor Center is now open for our second season of tours! Please consider joining in this effort by volunteering to serve as a Visitor Center greeter. The job is easy and fun – you will meet people from across the globe and join in their delight as they discover our dazzling church home for the first time. Sign up for a weekday or a Saturday shift or start as an ad-hoc volunteer – all levels of commitment are welcome! Learn more by contacting Rodger Vine at rvine@ascboston.org. Thank you for helping us extend Arlington Street's prophetic welcome from Sunday morning to seven days a week!



Summer Meditation

Tuesdays, August 8th & 22nd ~ 6:45 PM

While the Arlington Street Zen Center is on summer recess, Martha Weiss has generously offered her office for Buddhist meditation on the second and fourth summer Tuesdays. Martha's office is located on Marlborough Street, a short distance from ASC. If you are interested, please contact her through Jeffrey Bouchard in the church office at office@ASCBoston.org. All are welcome!



Kundalini Yoga Class

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

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