

Children's Religious Education Wants You!

Would you enjoy assisting behind the scenes, sharing a story or your spiritual practice, going on a field trip, leading a sex ed class, holding babies, building with legos, or digging in the dirt? If the answer is yes, please contact Laura after Labor Day for more information at CRE@ASCBoston.org.



Homecoming Sunday

one or both) meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

Sunday, September IIth ~ II: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, Beth Robbins will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 11th. Please bring a little water from your summer travels for our water communion celebration!



Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion and Arlington Street Zen Center

Tuesday, September $13^{th} \sim 6:00$ pm, Hunnewell Chapel Buddha's Belly and Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to

6:00 Buddha's Belly: We will complete our discussion of *The Authentic Life: Zen Wisdom for Living Free from Complacency and Fear* by Ezra Bayda. This is a great summer read! We'll also be choosing our next book. 7:00 Arlington Street Zen Center: Our gathering includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. If you'd like to join Rev. Kim and walk in the Public Garden (optional!), please dress for the weather. This is the season for boots and warm jackets! Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are warmly welcome.



Arlington Street Church Visits the Islamic Center of Boston! Special Tour for Arlington Street Members & Friends Sunday, September 18th ~ 2PM, 100 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury

Join Rev. Kim, our Transformation Team for Racial Justice and our Social Action Team in this wonderful opportunity to tour the Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center (ISBCC) and meet members of the Muslim community in Boston. Their vision is to build a community of leaders rooted in the Islamic tradition who are committed to American ideals and empowered to serve the common good. For info on ISBCC, please visit www.isbcc.org.

We need to let the ISBCC know how many people are coming. Please RSVP to Jeffrey Bouchard in the church office (jbouchard@ ascboston.org). Children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Out of respect for their traditions, please dress modestly (no skin-tight clothing; arms and legs covered). The Center is across the street from the Roxbury Crossing T stop on the orange line. If you need a ride, or can provide a ride, please let us know. Please visit their web site for directions. All are welcome!

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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 PRU MEMBERS ARE:

Tina Rose (chair) / Rick Cresta (vice chair) Al Ingram / Lois Hartsough / Ted Rudinsky Connie Scanlon / Dave Erbe / Eve Lauria Art Nava

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Art Nava (treasurer) / Tori Bell and 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.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary starting September 11th. 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."

Staff Directory

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Children's Religious Education

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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Erica Rose Long
Music, Andrew Altenbach
Worship Coordinator, Tricia Boulet
Candles Coordinator, Art Nava
Lead Greeter, Queen Cheryl
Lead Usher, Kevin Tyrrell
Assistant Treasurers, Dave Erbe and Nancy George



SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 2016 Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

Siehe, ich will viel Fischer aussenden *Johann Sebastian Bach* (1685 - 1750) Andrew Altenbach, piano

CHALICE LIGHTING from Rev. Carl Scovel

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

*Hymn 126

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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. 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.

Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí.

Yal 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 34

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

SERMON

The Great Equalizer Erica Rose Long

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 287 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. Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Andante con moto in B-flat Major from Spring Ludwig van Beethoven (1770 - 1827)

Andrew Altenbach, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Hymn 1008

When Our Heart is In a Holy Place

*BENEDICTION from Donovan Livingston Ed.M.

POSTLUDE

Agnus Dei adapted from L'arlesienne Suite

Georges Bizet (1838 - 1875)

Andrew Altenbach, piano



News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 2016

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!



Today's Speaker

Erica Rose Long served as the children's religious education assistant at Arlington Street Church from 2013-2016. A recent graduate from Harvard Divinity School, Erica will begin a chaplaincy residency at Massachusetts General Hospital in September.



How do we reconcile the greatness or our vision and the reality of our circumstances? What are the small steps that we can take to eventually transform the world? Where is the hope in the gap between the world we dream about and the world we are living in? Let's join together to think about disappointment, resiliency, and the good news of Unitarian Universalism.

Jaimie Dingus has been part of the ASC Choir for the past two years. This fall she is so excited to start as the new Children's Religious Education Assistant. She is a first year student at Harvard Divinity School, and an aspiring UU minister.

SUMMER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Summertime at Arlington Street

Every Sunday through Labor Day, a different member of the Arlington Street community will be preaching, while Rev. Kim, Beth, Mark David, and Laura Evonne are away on summer break. 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, life at Arlington Street Church slows down and Inside Arlington Street Church is published in this leaner format. Until Homecoming Sunday Service on September 11th, 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.

Childcare during Summer Worship Services

The formal CRE program begins again on Sunday, September 11th. Thanks in advance to Allie Dagg, an Arlington Street youth, who will be providing childcare again this summer. We are thrilled to have her back! Allie can be found in the "kids" box pew in the front of the sanctuary. We ask that older children/youth stay with their friends/ families during the service. Very young children can either stay in the service or use the nursery where the service is piped in.

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

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

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!

Car Donations Made Easy!

Start your summer off on the right track by donating a vehicle. If you are finally splurging on that new vehicle, donate your trade-in to Arlington Street. Just click the link below or call 855-500-RIDE (7433). www.cardonatingiseasy.org/donate/?CharityID=4038

Join the Arlington Street Choir! Every Thursday starting September 8th ~ 7:00 PM, Clarke Room

Experience the spiritual practice of communal singing! Take just

a couple of hours out of your week to create something beautiful, make friends, and add more music to your life! Musicians and nonmusicians are welcome—we are a mix of professionals and amateurs. All are welcome!

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