

# SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH, 2015

### Welcome to Summer Services

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

### **PRELUDE**

## **CHALICE LIGHTING**

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

### WELCOME AND GREETINGS

# \*HYMN 155

Circle Round for Freedom

# 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.

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 318

We Would Be One

### **SERMON**

We're All In This Together ...... Rick Cresta

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

### 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**

## **PARISH HIGHLIGHTS**

## \*HYMN 121

We"ll Build A Land

### \*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**



# News from the Soul of Sunday Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015

### 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

**Rick Cresta** is a longtime member of ASC. He is a clinical social worker specializing in work with court-involved adolescents. He is also a part-time faculty member at Boston University's School of Social Work. In addition he provides consultation and training for several state and private agencies throughout the region. His passions include social justice, yoga, biking, and nature.

# SPEAKING ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>

**Childhood Wisdom** ~ Erica Rose Long

**Eica Rose Long** is the children's religious education assistant at Arlington Street Church and a third year master of divinity candidate at Harvard Divinity School. This summer, Erica spent weekdays working as a chaplaincy student at the MGH Cancer Center and weekends visiting her favorite lakes and beaches in Maine and Vermont.

**About Childhood Wisdom.** Storybooks and fables teach us that the face of wisdom belongs to an old man with a long white beard. Let's shift that paradigm by exploring how the path to wisdom changes when we acknowledge the profound wisdom of children.

### 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, Mark, 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 13<sup>th</sup>, the best way tostay 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

During the summer season at Arlington Street Church (ASC), there is no formal Children's Religious Education (CRE) program. There IS childcare for the very young children. Please meet CeCe at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. We ask that older children stay with their friends/families in the service and our very young babies can either stay in the service or use the nursery where the service is piped in. The formal CRE program begins again on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **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!

# FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Friday, September 4th ~ 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Friday Night Supper Program invites ASC members to volunteer on September 4, 2015. The volunteer session is capped at 7 volunteers. Please contact Valentina at info@fridaynightsupper.org for questions and to reserve a spot!

# 17 SECONDS ... I AM STANDING WITH ONE FOOT IN MY GRAVE

Musical Performance

Sunday, September 20th ~ 1:00 PM, Sanctuary

The Berg River choir from South Africa returns to Arlington Street! Seven choir members will perform a piece about hate crimes, such as rape, in South Africa. Through art and music, we will be moved and informed. All are

# Join the Arlington Street Choir!

Every Thursday starting September 10th ~ 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 non-musicians are welcome—we are a mix of professionals and amateurs. All are welcome!

### 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 or Erica after Labor Day for more information at CRE@ASCBoston.org.

## **ANIMAL ISSUES GROUP**

Do you believe in kindness toward animals, yet are uneasy about the ways animals are treated in today's world? Have you considered switching to a plant based diet, but making changes seems overwhelming? Do you feel compassion for others should be as inclusive as possible? If you would like to see animal issues as part of our social action initiatives, please email the social action committee at socialaction@ASCBoston.org, and place "animal issues" in the subject line. We can discuss how to make changes in our daily lives, support the national Unitarian Universalist Animal Ministry, and educate interested members of our congregation about living more mercifully, healthfully, and sustainably.