17 Seconds ... I am standing with One Foot in My Grave **Musical Performance**

Sunday, September $20^{th} \sim 1:00 \text{ PM}$, 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 welcome!

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.

Join the Social Action Committee in the Fall

Join the committee and bring a social action topic that concerns you: voting rights, climate change, economic inequality, gun violence, Citizens United, homelessness, etc. The committee will support you! In September, the committee resumes meeting on the second Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM. For more information, contact Art Judge at socialaction@ASCBoston.org. "The service begins when the service ends."

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.

Elizabeth (Dinny) Fletcher is a lifelong animal lover, and current board member of the Boston Vegetarian Society. She also volunteers for the Massachusetts Animal Rights Coalition (MARC). Dinny would welcome any level of participation or discussion of animal issues.



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) / Mary Marcel (vice chair) Rick Cresta / Alex Frost / Connie Scanlon Dave Erbe / Eve Lauria / Kerry Marshall / Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE: Susie Nacco (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Desmond Ravenstone (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk) Thomas Simers (assistant 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.

Staff Directory

Ministers

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, Sr. Minister Office@ASCBoston.org, ext. 10 Rev. George G. Whitehouse, Minister at Large GWhitehouse@ASCBoston.org, ext. 10

Music

Mark David Buckles, Director of Music MBuckles@ASCBoston.org Nicholas Place Organist and Pianist

Office@ASCBoston.org, ext 10 **Choir Section Leaders** Julie Gregorio, soprano Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano Daniel Rosensweig, tenor Justin Hicks, bass

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Rick Cresta Worship Coordinator, Joanna Lubkin Candles Coordinator, Art Nava Hymn Lead Richard Marshall Lead Greeter, Nancy Perna Lead Usher, Kevin Tyrrell Assistant Treasurers, Paul Babbitt and Dennis Haley

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.



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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PRELUDE

*HYMN 155

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."

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30^{TH} , 2015

Welcome to Summer Services

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

CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

Circle Round for Freedom

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 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 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 30TH, 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 6th

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.

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 13th.

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!

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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 13th, 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

Social Hour and Lunch

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

The Sandwich Board continues to serve lunch all summer long, featuring cold soups, sandwiches, salads, watermelon and other seasonal items. Volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, clean-up, are always encouraged to stop by the kitchen on Sunday or contact Jon Ellertson.

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