Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – SEPTEMBER 28, 2014

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Simply drop it into the offering plate, or hand it to an usher after the service.

Name
Address
City, State, Zip
Phone numbers
E-mail
Spouse/Partner
Children's Name(s) & Age(s)
\Box I/we are visiting for the first time.
$\hfill\Box$ I/we have been attending ASC for
☐ I/we would like a permanent name tag(s) for Sunday worship. (Name tags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
☐ How did you hear about Arlington Street?
I prefer to be contacted by:
□ Mail □ Phone □ E-mail □ No preference
I would like to know more about:
□ Membership Classes/Joining ASC □ Choir/Music
□ Social Action □ Children's Religious Education
☐ Adult Religious Education & Connections (ASC's small group ministry)
□ Young Adult Group □ Other

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

At Your Service:

- * If you would like a large print order of service and hymns, or Brailled hymns
- * If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- * If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Kate Birney*Lead Greeter, *Nancy Perna*Lead Usher, *Dave Erbe*Worship Coordinator, *Rev. George G. Whitehouse*Assistant Treasurers, *Nancy George, Dave Erbe*

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:

Alex Frost (chair) / Greg Haig (vice-chair) Christine Curtiss / Dave Erbe / Mary Marcel Kerry Marshall / Dan Moon / Tina Rose Thomas Simers

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Tori Bell & Desmond Ravenstone (co-moderators)
Doc Kinne (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! Please ask an usher for assistance.

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.

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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Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th, 2014

L'SHANAH TOVAH! BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM
PROMOTES SEVEN PRINCIPLES

~ OUR SEVENTH PRINCIPAL ~

We believe in the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Arlington Street Church Boston, Massachusetts Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2014

PRELUDE

Le Carnaval des Animaux (The Carnival of the Animals)

Camille Saint-Saens (1835-1921)

IV. Tortues (Tortoises)

VII. Aquarium

XIII. Le Cygne (The Swan)

XIV. Finale

Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

WELCOME TO ALL BEINGS

INTROIT

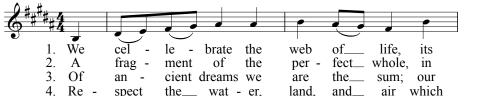
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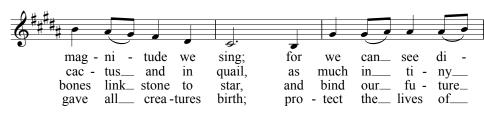
Responsive Reading 637 Chris Alburger, Intern Minister The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

Greetings Laura Evonne Steinman

*Hymn

We Celebrate the Web of Life text: Alicia S. Carpenter (1930-1990) music: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)







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."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer music: Nick Page (b. 1952) text: African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano



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 15

The Lone, Wild Bird

SERMON

We Begin Again, In Love Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

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 or gift.

OFFERTORY

Recitative and Aria from *The Creation Joseph Haydn* (1732-1809) Justin Hicks, bass And God said: Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind; cattle and creeping thing, and beasts of the earth after their kind.

from Genesis 1:24

Straight opening her fertile womb, the earth obey'd the word, and teem'd creatures numberless, in perfect forms and fully grown.

Cheerful, roaring, stands the tawny lion.

In sudden leaps the flexible tiger appears.

The nimble stag bears up his branching head.

With flying mane and fiery look, impatient neighs the sprightly steed. The cattle in herds already seeks his food on fields and meadows green

And o'er the ground, as plants, are spread the fleecy, meek and bleating flock. Unnumber'd as the sands in whirls arose the host of insects.

In long dimension creeps with sinuous trace the worm.

from Paradise Lost by John Milton (1608-1674)

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

ANIMAL PROMENADE & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Le Carnaval des Animaux (The Carnival of the Animals)
V. L'Elephant (The Elephant)
Yevgenia Semeina-Maroyan, piano

*HYMN 203

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky

*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (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

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

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Happy Blessing of the Animals Sunday! Today, CRE welcomes all of our honorable furry, four-legged, or scaly visitors. We especially excited to have Jack, the Market Basket Giraffe, with us to receive our gratitude and blessings for all of his hard work this summer.

CRE will remain in the sanctuary for most of the service to help Rev. Kim bless the animals. If you need a little time outside of the service, there is childcare provided in the Nursery.