

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2016 Welcome to Summer Services

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

PRELUDE

Ich bin vergnügt mit meinem Glücke from BWV 84

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Andrew Altenbach, piano

CHALICE LIGHTING

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

*Hymn 95

There is More Love Somewhere

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 168

One More Step

SERMON

Outliving Our Limits Jaimie Dingus

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

Intermezzo in A Major op.118 No.2

Johannes Brahms (1833 - 1897)

Andrew Altenbach, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 1028

The Fire of Commitment

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Allegro in E-flat from Songs without Words op.83 No.3

Felix Mendelssohn (1809 – 1847)

Andrew Altenbach, piano



News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH, 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

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.



HOMECOMING SUNDAY

Sunday, September $II^{th} \sim II:00 \text{ AM}$, 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!

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



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!



Join the Arlington Street Choir this Fall!

Thursday, 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 non-musicians are welcome - we are a mix of professionals and amateurs. The first choir rehearsal of the season is September 8th, but we rehearse every Thursday starting in September and are always accepting new members. We meet in the Clarke Room on the second floor of the church. If you have any questions, please always feel free to contact our Director of Music, Mark David Buckles at MBuckles@ASCBoston.org.



BUDDHA'S BELLY ~ THE BUDDHIST BOOK DISCUSSION AND ARLINGTON STREET ZEN CENTER

Tuesday, September 13th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

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.

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.



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!



UNCOMFORTABLE CONVERSATIONS

Sunday, September 25th ~ 12:30 PM, Carol Smith Room

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice offers this time and space for facilitated discussion and continuing conversation about developing an anti-racist worldview. We plan to hold these conversations periodically at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and no RSVP is needed. For more information or to suggest discussion topics in advance, email transformation@ascboston.org

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

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Jaimie Dingus
Music, Andrew Altenbach
Worship Coordinator, Art Nava
Candles Coordinator, Robert Holley
Lead Greeter, Rachel Corey
Lead Usher, Philip Roberts
Assistant Treasurers, Philip Roberts and Scott Schroeder