

Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

WHETHER A LONG-TIME MEMBER, A REGULAR WORSHIPPER OR A FIRST-TIME VISITOR, WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU TO THIS MORNING'S SERVICE. The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys.

Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth. Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our joys and concerns, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts.

Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience together here is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The *Prudential Committee* is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church. The members are: Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Doug Fiero, Danny Fournier, Carmen Griggs, Elizabeth Lindholm (Co-Chair), Mickey Randazza, Jenn Shaw, and Mark Watanabe. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Mary Ann Hardenbergh (vice-moderator), Karl Paulnack (Council Chair), and Carol Smith (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.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available from Alison Green Will, or at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4TH, 2009

Happy New Year!

PRELUDE

Pastorale

J. S. Bach (1685 – 1750)

I Larghetto

II Andante

III Adagio

Joe DiMarino, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

CHALICE LIGHTING

The flaming chalice, symbol of Unitarian Universalism, burns in celebration of the principles and purposes of our liberal faith.

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

*HYMN 23

Bring Many Names

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY

Rob Cuddi

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candles Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candles 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, and clicking on "Worship."

We Pray

text: Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and *Nick Page* music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)

Ariana Valdes, soprano; J. Jacob Krause, baritone

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.



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Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Please drop it into the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service. 1/4/2009

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

E-mail _____

Spouse/Partner _____

Children's Name(s) & Age(s) _____

I/we are visiting for the first time.

I/we have been attending ASC for _____

I/we would like a permanent nametag(s) for Sunday worship.
(Nametags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)

Check here if you do *not* want to receive **Snapshot**, the e-newsletter of ASC with bi-weekly highlights of our community.

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
 Children's Religious Education Social Action
 Adult Religious Education and *Connections* (ASC's small group ministry)
 Other _____

