



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 2009
Happy 80th Birthday, Dr. King!

We do member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association
covenant to affirm and promote • The inherent worth and dignity
of every person • Justice, equity and compassion in human relations •
Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our
congregations • A free and responsible search for truth and meaning •
The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our
congregations and community with

WE COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE:

peace, liberty and justice for all • Respect for the interdependent web of all
existence • Our spiritual life draws
from many sources • Direct experience of that transcending mystery and
wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit
and an openness to the

which create an unshod life • Words and
deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers
and structures of oppression and injustice which block the forming power
of love • Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical
and spiritual life • Jewish teachings which call us to respond
to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves • Humanist teachings
which counsel us to embrace the

results of science,
and warn us against idolatry of the mind and spirit • Spiritual teachings of
earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct
us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature. Grateful for the religious
pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen
our understanding and expand our vision. As free congregations we enter
into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

The goal of

world community with

peace, liberty,

and justice for all.

Arlington Street Church
Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether you are a longtime member, a regular guest, 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 sorrows and joys, 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 here together 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!

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.

1/18/2009

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

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PRELUDE

Suite in G Major, BWV 1007 for Solo Cello

J. S. Bach

Prelude

(1685 – 1750)

Allemande

Courante

Guy Fishman, violoncello

CALL TO WORSHIP

Morning

Clinton Lee Scott

Responsive Reading 438

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

CHALICE LIGHTING

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

***HYMN 38**

Morning Has Broken

During the hymn, the children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick DuPree and Wendy Ellertson. All children are welcome!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY

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.”

Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

Carolyn McDade,

trans. Rev. Lilia Cuervo and Ervin Barrios

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	El amor es el espíritu
of this congregation,	de nuestra congregación
And service is our gift.	Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
This is our great covenant:	Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
To dwell together in peace,	Convivir en paz,
To speak our truths in love,	Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
And to help one another.	Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

READING

Concerning the Yucca
from *Meditations of the Heart*

Rev. Dr. Howard Thurman

***HYMN 95**

There is More Love Somewhere
Mark David Buckles, guitar

SERMON

Ushering in the Kingdom of Greatness

Dan Kane

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

Sarabande

from *Suite in G Major, BWV 1007 for Solo Cello*

Bach

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

Menuette

Bach

from *Suite in G Major, BWV 1007 for Solo Cello*

***HYMN 149**

Lift Every Voice and Sing

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

Gigue

Bach

from *Suite in G Major, BWV 1007 for Solo Cello*

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

We are grateful to cellist Guy Fishman
for his gift of music this morning.
Our choir will return next Sunday morning.

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

...and Service is Our Gift

Wendy Ellertson, Artist and

Children's Religious Education Guest Teacher

Carol Fisher and Ellen Spencer, Assistant Treasurers

Guy Fishman, Artist in Residence

Kate Landis, Lead Worship Coordinator

Art Nava, Lead Greeter

Michael Orzech, Candles Coordinator

Ellen Spencer, Lead Usher

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH
“We covenant to affirm and promote the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all.”

This is the sixth of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please see the *Our Faith* brochure in the pew rack.

ALLELUIA!

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

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMMING

Children’s Religious Education classes are held during the 11:00 AM service downstairs in the Perkins Room. Infant care is provided in the nursery, right off the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to lead you and your children there. For further information about our Children’s Religious Education program, please contact the church office.

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 at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past “The Castle.”

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).

Directory

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