



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 2009

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 • A life of service to the world • A spirituality that 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 forces which create and uphold us • Words and
deeds of prophetic witness and action which challenge us to confront powers
and structures of authority which oppress, marginalize, alienate, or
exploit • Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical
and spiritual life • A collective and individual commitment to a forming power
of love • Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical
and spiritual life • A collective and individual commitment to respond
to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves • Humanist teachings
which counsel us to embrace the dignity and value of all races, creeds, and
languages, and warn us against idolatries of the human 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.

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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.

2/1/2009

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

Arlington Street Church, *Unitarian Universalist* Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 2009

PRELUDE

Songs Without Words

Felix Mendelssohn

(February 3, 1809 – November 4, 1847)

Opus 30, No. 3, "Consolation"
Opus 102, No. 2, "Retrospection"
Opus 65, No. 5, "The Shepherd's Complaint"
Opus 19, No. 4, "Confidence"

Joe DiMarino, piano

Performed in celebration of Mendelssohn's 200th birthday

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

The Third Principle

Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Daniel Ross, tenor; J. Jacob Krause

We believe in acceptance of one another
and encouragement to spiritual growth.

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 44

We Sing of Golden Mornings

CHILDREN'S BENEDICTION

Go In Joy

text: *Barbara Pescan*
music: *Bart Bradfield*

Go in joy, — go in peace to meet the day! With
op - en hearts em - brace life's won - der. We will guide you,
we will love you on your way. —

The children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick DuPree. All children are welcome!

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY

Desmond Ravenstone

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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***HYMN 128**

For All That Is Our Life

ANTHEM

How Lovely are the Messengers

music: *Mendelssohn*
text: Romans 10:15, 18

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace.
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,
throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

SERMON

Resilience

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Workin' for the Dawn of Peace

trad. Civil War Songs
“Two Brothers” and “Tentin' Tonight”
arr. *Ron Jeffers* (b. 1943)

Two brothers on their way,
One wore blue and one wore grey
As they marched along their way
The fife and drum began to play,
All on a beautiful morning.
One was gentle, one was kind,
One came back, one stayed behind.

Many are the hearts
that are weary tonight,
Waiting for the war to cease;
Many are the hopes,
the hopes once high and bright
That sleep with those at peace.
Waiting tonight, working tonight.
Working that the war might cease.
Oh, many are the hearts
that are working for the right,
Waiting for the dawn of peace.

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

“Allegretto” from *Organ Sonata IV*
Joe DiMarino, organ

Mendelssohn

***HYMN 100**

I've Got Peace Like a River

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

May the Prayers of Our Hearts

text: Anonymous

music: *Mark David Buckles*

May the prayers of our hearts and the songs of our lips
shared in this ho - ly hour be with us now and in
all the days to come. A - men. _____

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

“Allegro maestoso e vivace” from *Organ Sonata II*

Mendelssohn

Joe DiMarino, organ

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

The red tulips on the altar this morning
are given in loving memory of Joseph McAllaster
by Martin R. Anderson, M. Eileen Fitzgerald and Jonna B. Sundberg.

A special welcome this morning to Alison Green Will
and to the Coming of Age group from First Parish in Lexington!
We love you, Alison!

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

...and Service is Our Gift

Danny Fournier, Lead Greeter

John Markham O'Connor, Lead Worship Coordinator

Desmond Ravenstone, Candles Coordinator

Philip Roberts, Lead Usher

Philip Roberts and Scott Schroeder, Assistant Treasurers

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

“We covenant to affirm and promote acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations.”

This is the third 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), Mark MacDonnell (treasurer), Karl Paulnack (Council Chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).

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