

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest at Your Table

Through January 6th

Guest at Your Table is an annual Unitarian Universalist tradition in which congregation members learn about, and contribute to, selected human rights initiatives (“guests”) supported by the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). You can read about this year’s guests at www.uusc.org/guest/2012-2013/myguests.

Pick up your donation box in the Parish Hall. At mealtimes, please insert coins or bills into the box, sharing your blessings with your guests and supporting a shared mission. Return your box to Arlington Street by January 6th, when we will gather all the boxes and deliver our Arlington Street donations to UUSC!

Calling All Artisans

First Four Sundays in December ~ 10:30 - 2:00 PM, Parish Hall

If you would like to sell your art or crafts here at holiday time, please contact Laura Evonne Steinman at LES@ASCBoston.org. Artisans will set up in the Parish Hall to sell and make our shopping experience a delight! A contribution to Arlington Street Church is welcome.

Right To Drive Campaign

The Arlington Street Church Social Action Committee and Boston New Sanctuary Movement are supporting a campaign launched by the Brazilian Immigrant Center to make it legal for undocumented people to get a license to drive in Massachusetts. We are asking people of faith to sign a letter to Governor Patrick asking him to actively support this legislation. Undocumented people who drive out of necessity, live in constant fear; being stopped by police for any reason can result in deportation and families being torn apart. Please visit the Social Action table in the Parish Hall after the service to sign the letter.

Are You a SnapShot Subscriber?

If you would like the week’s news from Arlington Street Church to arrive in your inbox every week, please sign up for our e-newsletter, SnapShot. There’s no easier way to stay in touch with all the activities at Arlington Street Church. Register today on the home page of www.ASCBoston.org.

Just Coffee—Just for You!

Friends, we have a new supply of Just Coffee, just in time for the holidays! Please come and get yours at the Social Action table after the service. Just \$12 per pound for great 100% organic coffee! Help support the grower cooperative in Chiapas, Mexico, www.justcoffee.org.

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2012 through June 2013

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an annual total pledge of \$ _____ to support the work of Arlington Street Church.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Pledge contributions may be made by cash, check, or credit card.

- If you are paying with cash via the Sunday collection, please mark the envelope with your name(s) and “2013 Pledge Payment”.
- Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church with “2013 pledge payment” written on the check memo line.
- If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete the following:

Accepted: Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm _____ yy _____ Zip Code: _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

- One payment for my entire pledge on July 15, 2012
- 12 equal monthly installments on the 15th of each month

SUGGESTION BOX

The staff and leadership of Arlington Street Church welcome your ideas, comments, and suggestions. If you have a thought to share about what works well or what could be improved, please send a message to Comments@ASCBoston.org. The Church’s administrative assistant will pass your message on to the appropriate people. Please speak your “truths in love” and include your name and contact information so we can follow up. Thanks!

SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, (both congregational use and rentals), must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Administrative Assistant and Facilities Manager. Jeffrey is able to help you Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM. He can be reached by phone at 617.536.7050 ext. 14 or by e-mail at JBouchard@ASCBoston.org.

INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday “Inside” announcements **before Tuesday noon** to print@ascboston.org. Phyllis Guiliano (Business Administrator) will receive your email and will compile the announcements for publication. Materials should be legible, signed, and fully composed. Space is limited, so some editing may be necessary. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

OUR CARING COMMUNITY—EMERGENCIES

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office, 617.536.7050. Our staff and ministers will be in touch to lend support.

SECURITY NOTE

This is an urban church. Please do not leave your valuables unattended!

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INSIDE



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH, 2012

TODAY

Coffee Hour and Lunch

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

Let’s all gather downstairs for coffee, soup, sandwiches, and community! If you’re visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table.

We welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To volunteer, and for more information about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen today, or contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero through the church at office@ASCBoston.org.

Come Lend A Hand in the Garden

Today ~ Noon-3:00 PM, Boylston Street Side

All are invited to join in as we put our garden to bed for the winter. We will finish planting bulbs for the spring, clean up the flower beds, and rake leaves. There may even be some leaf piles to jump in! We have the tools, so just bring yourself. See you in the garden!

THIS WEEK

English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Monday, Nov. 26th and Wed. Nov. 28th ~ 10:00 AM, Perkins Room

Learn or improve your English! The class meets twice a week. Students practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Topics include general conversation, cooking, and holiday events, as well as grammar and pronunciation. The class is taught by Ann Troise, a member of Arlington Street Church, who has been certified to teach ESL by the Boston Academy of English.

Membership Team Meeting

Monday, November 26th ~ 6:30 PM, Perkins Room

The Membership Committee’s purpose is to ensure that Arlington Street Church is a visible and welcoming community that supports existing members and facilitates a deepening sense

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of belonging. Please consider coming to any membership meeting to share your ideas, ask questions, or support our efforts.

This meeting will include discussion of the New Members Classes; our next intensive session which aims to empower us to talk about our progressive, liberal faith; and the upcoming holiday season.

Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion and the Arlington Street Zen Center

Tuesday, November 27th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and the Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every second and fourth Tuesday throughout the church year.

Buddha's Belly meets from 6 PM to 7 PM. We are currently reading Jack Kornfield's *After the Ecstasy, the Laundry*. Please read the first two chapters of part 4 for this evening's session.

Arlington Street Zen Center meets at 7 PM and includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are welcome!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, November 28th ~ 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.

Sacred Eros: Sex, Scandal and Celebrity

Wednesday, November 28th ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

With David Petraeus the latest public official to leave office over sexual indiscretions, this month's Sacred Eros will focus on how we view our leaders and celebrities. Do we hold them to different standards? Why are we so interested in their private lives? How has our view of the sex lives of public figures shaped our own values and responses? Bring your questions, opinions, and a snack or beverage.

Sacred Eros is a monthly discussion group, providing a safe and supportive space to explore questions about sexuality from a spiritual and ethical perspective. Anyone over 18 is welcome, and participants are expected to respect one another and keep personal matters discussed confidential.

SAVE THE DATE

Judah LeBlang's One-Man Show

Saturday, December 1st, ~ 7:30 PM, Temple Beth Zion, Brookline

Judah's one-hour show about life in middle age has been called everything from "funny" to "poignant." Tickets are \$15 and available through the temple office at 617-566-8171 or at www.judahleblang.com.

We invite you to cut out this calendar and clip it to your refrigerator or bulletin board or, view the full calendar at ASCBoston.org

This Week

Sunday, November 25, 2012

11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall

Monday, November 26, 2012

10:00 AM Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room
10:30 AM Connections ~ Hunnewell Chapel
5:30 PM Connections ~ Stage Right Room
6:30 PM Membership Team ~ Perkins Room

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:30 PM Connections ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, November 28, 2012

10:00 AM Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room
*3:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:30 PM Building the World We Dream About ~ Clarke Room
7:00 PM Sacred Eros ~ Perkins Room

Thursday, November 29, 2012

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room

Friday, November 30, 2012

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, December 1, 2012

No congregational events

Sunday, December 2, 2012

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
9:30 AM CRE Committee Meeting ~ Perkins Room
9:30 AM New Member Breakfast ~ Hunnewell Chapel
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:00 PM Parenting for the Spirit ~ Stage Right Room
12:30 PM Connections ~ Clarke Room
12:30 PM Indulge 2013 Planning Meeting ~ Hunnewell Chapel

* **Denotes closed meetings.** This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation. For complete, up-to-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit the website.

For more information, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



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Unitarian Universalist

Parenting for the Spirit, in the Spirit

Sunday, December 2nd ~ 12:00-1:00 PM, Stage Right Room

When we are offered a window into our children's spiritual lives, we often end up peering into our own, and learning something about both our children and ourselves. We discover what we value, how we find meaning, and the importance of faith—and we convey that to our children in words and actions.

Please join Lisa Mobayed, one of our student ministers, for lunch and conversation inspired by the book, *The Gift of Faith: Tending the Spiritual Lives of Children*, by Jeanne Harrison Nieuwejaar. The book can be purchased from Laura Evonne Steinman.

Childcare will be available. We warmly welcome all who care for children!

Indulge Planning Meeting

Sunday, December 2nd ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Come to the next planning meeting as our energetic team continues to prepare for this important gala dinner and auction scheduled for Saturday, April 6th. It's not too late to get involved, meet new people, and make a difference at our spiritual home!

Young Adult Game Night

Saturday, December 8th ~ 6:00 or 7:00 PM, Parish Hall

Come to the next Young Adult night for those 18 to 35^{ish}. We'll meet up at the church at 6PM for dinner, or join us at 7PM for games. Please bring board or party games for us to play!

Hallelujah! Boston Gay Men's Chorus Holiday Concert

December 9th at 3:00 PM, Dec. 14th, 15th, 17th at 8:00 PM ~ Jordan Hall

Bring your family, friends and neighbors to the Boston Gay Men's Chorus's (BGMC) joyful celebration of diverse holiday traditions. Hear music honoring Chanukah, the Native American solstice, and traditional Christmas carols, along with some favorite pop tunes (Mariah?) of the season. The hilarious Freres de St. Francis de la Sissies return ... with a BGMC twist! Tickets are available at www.bgmc.org or 617-542-SING for \$16-\$46. Don't miss Boston's other holiday tradition!

Rodger Clinton Vine, Christmas Music on Piano

Sunday, December 16th ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Arlington Street's Artist-in-Residence, Rodger Clinton Vine, presents a brief concert of Christmas music for the piano, followed immediately by our annual Carol Sing!

6th Annual Carol Sing!

Sunday, December 16th ~ 1:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Join Arlington Street's musicians for our sixth annual old-fashioned Christmas carol sing! Mark David Buckles, Director of Music, and the Arlington Street Choir will lead us in seasonal favorites, from *Jingle Bells* to *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*. Hot chocolate, tea, cookies, and fruit to follow!

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