

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Earth Was Given as a Garden

Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ 11:00 PM, Sanctuary

Our Earth Day service will conclude with a blessing of the earth. Our lawn is being re-imagined, and you are invited to join in the vision! Please bring plants to donate: yarrow, asters, sunflowers, lamb's ear, sage, catmint, cornflowers, yellow daisies, hostas, poppies, and other full sun perennials are especially welcome! Thanks to our wonderful, energized Team Eden!

### An Interfaith Conference Toward a More Compassionate Debate on Immigration

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:30-5:00 PM, Church of the Covenant, 67 Newbury Street, Boston

Boston New Sanctuary Movement presents a workshop covering:

- Faith Through Immigration—personal experiences of immigration as a moral and religious issue
- U.S. immigration history and your faith
- Immigration stories in the struggle for workers rights

Lunch will be provided from noon to 1:00 PM by the Brazilian Immigrant Center. Register for the workshop, at [www.bostonnewsanctuary.org](http://www.bostonnewsanctuary.org). A \$10 donation is suggested.

### Prayer Vigil for Immigrant Detainees

Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> ~ 2:00 PM, 20 Bradston Steet, Boston

Keep immigrant families together by stopping the raids and deportations. We will leave Arlington Street Church at 1:15 for the vigil at the Suffolk County House of Correction.

### Occupy Your Faith!

#### A Boston Unitarian Universalist Revival

Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 4:00 PM, UU Urban Ministry  
10 Putnam Street in Roxbury MA

Mark David Buckles, Joanna Lubkin, and percussionist Matt Meyer lead an energetic service of song, story, and reflection. Join us as we share in a celebration of the transforming message of Unitarian Universalism! Worship begins at 4 PM with a shared dinner to follow at 6 PM. Tickets are \$15 to cover our costs. A free-will offering will also be taken for Unitarian Universalism social justice work in the city of Boston.

### Volunteers Needed for GLAD's Legal Infoline

Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders (GLAD), New England's leading legal rights organization dedicated to ending discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status, and gender identity and expression, seeks committed volunteers to staff its Legal InfoLine one weekday afternoon a week! Be trained in LGBT/HIV civil rights legal issues. No prior legal experience is needed.

Register now for the next training, May 15<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> (5:30-9:30 PM) and May 19<sup>th</sup> (9am-4 PM). For more information and an application contact Bruce Bell at 617-426-1350 or [bbell@glad.org](mailto:bbell@glad.org) or online at <http://www.glad.org/rights/infoline/volunteer/>.

### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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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 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:Comments@ASCBoston.org). Your message will be received by the Church's administrative assistant so it can find its way to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow-up. Thanks! For emergencies, please see "Our Caring Community" to the right.

#### SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, for both congregational usage and rentals, must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Assistant to the Administrator. 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](mailto:JBouchard@ASCBoston.org).

#### INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements before Tuesday noon to [print@ascboston.org](mailto:print@ascboston.org). Phyllis Guiliano (church administrator) will receive this email and will compile all of the announcements for publication. Materials must be legible, signed, and fully composed and may be edited, as space is limited. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

#### OUR CARING COMMUNITY

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, APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>, 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, stop by the kitchen today, or contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero through the church at [office@ASCBoston.org](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org).

### Just Coffee Is Back by Popular Demand!

Today ~ Noon, Parish Hall

Please come to the Social Action table after the service to buy your Just Coffee (\$12 a pound).

### Villages without Walls Documentary

Today ~ 12:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Talia Rivera, founder of Villages Without Walls, a non-profit organization working to prevent violence among at-youth risk, will show the documentary entitled "Why We Bang." The documentary was made in the summer of 2011, with the support of Jubilee, Arlington Street Church's work in the world. We hope to have some of the young men who participated in the making of the film present to speak after the screening. This event is sponsored by the Social Action Committee.

### Tending the Flame: The Art of UU Parenting

Today ~ 12:45 PM, Frothingham Library

Join Rev. Kim and Laura Evonne Steinman for the fourth of this year's adult religious exploration classes for Unitarian Universalist parents and all those who care for children.

From whom do we want our children to learn about g\*d, and about what kind of g\*d (if any) do we want them to learn? How about sex, love, and death? In the spirit of parents (caregivers, teachers) as resident theologians, let's imagine that we are the ones! How do we talk with children about Big Questions? Let's talk! All are welcome!

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## THIS WEEK

### English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday April 19<sup>th</sup> ~ 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. Students are also welcome to suggest their own topic ideas. 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.

### Sacred Eros: Scott Erickson on Leather History

Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

This month, we welcome Scott Erickson of Bay State Marauders and the New England Leather Alliance, and 2004 Mister Boston Leather. Scott will share with us his knowledge of the history, traditions, and values of the Leather community, both in Boston and around the United States.

Sacred Eros is a monthly discussion group at Arlington Street Church, providing a safe and supportive space to explore questions about sexuality from a spiritual and ethical perspective.

We meet on the third Monday of each month. Anyone over 18 is welcome, and participants are expected to respect one another and keep personal matters discussed confidential.

### Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> ~ 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.

### Talking Your Walk Group

Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Smith Room

“Talking Your Walk” group meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. This is a non-clinical support group in solidarity with those who are dealing with the challenge of depression. Our own John Sacco, LICSW, is the facilitator. Please see Rev. Kim or John with questions, or to let us know that you will be joining the group.

### Connections Facilitator Training

Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> ~ 1:00 - 4:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

In fall 2012, congregants will be invited to join a Connections small group ministry group. The purpose of Connections groups is to establish an intentional listening and sharing practice that will help us better realize our mission as a religious community, and to deepen the spiritual, intellectual, caring, and service aspects of our UnitarianUniversalist movement and our own congregation. If you are interested in being a Connections facilitator, please contact our Intern Minister, Rebecca Froom at [RFroom@ASCBoston.org](mailto:RFroom@ASCBoston.org).

*We invite you to cut out this calendar and clip it to your refrigerator or bulletin board!*

## This Week

### Sunday, April 15, 2012

9:30 AM	Music Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
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
12:30 PM	Villages Without Walls Film ~ Hunnewell Chapel
12:45 PM	Coming of Age ~ Perkins Room
12:45 PM	Tending the Flame ~ Frothingham Library

### Monday, April 16, 2012

10:00 AM	Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM	Sacred Eros ~ Perkins Room

### Tuesday, April 17, 2012

*5:00 PM	HR Committee ~ Smith Room
6:00 PM	Prudential Committee ~ Perkins Room

### Wednesday, April 18, 2012

*3:30 PM	Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM	Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM	Talking Your Walk ~ Smith Room

### Thursday, April 19, 2012

10:00 AM	Adult ESL Class ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal ~ Clarke Room

### Friday, April 20, 2012

No congregational events

### Saturday, April 21, 2012

1:00 PM	Connections Facilitator Training ~ Hunnewell Chapel
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### Sunday, April 22, 2012

9:30 AM	Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM	Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins Room
12:00 PM	Tell Me More ~ Hunnewell Chapel
12:00 PM	Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM	Nominating Committee Meeting ~ Smith Room
1:00 PM	Spiritual Passions ~ 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](http://www.ASCBoston.org)*



## SAVE THE DATE

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

Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday throughout the church year. Please feel free to come to the discussion, the meditation, or both.

Buddha's Belly meets from 6 PM to 7 PM. We are currently reading Matteo Pistono's *In the Shadow of the Buddha: Secret Journeys, Sacred Histories, and Spiritual Discovery in Tibet*. For this discussion, please read section two (chapters 4-7).

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!

### Young Adult Group Dinner/Game Night

Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM FOOD & 7:00 PM GAMES, Parish Hall

Come at 6 to eat with us, or join us at 7 just for the games. Bring any board/card/social games you want, and join the Young Adult Group in an evening of fun!

### Covenant Renewal

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Each year, we renew our covenant with financial pledges to this beloved community of memory and hope. This is a very special worship service! All are welcome!

### The Wednesdays Literary Salon: Wallace Stevens

Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 PM (ONE MEETING ONLY), Frothingham Library

Please join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for The Wednesdays literary salon. One of the great modern American poets, Wallace Stevens is also for many a difficult poet: daunting & hermetically private, a poet of alluring, glittering surfaces but impenetrable depths. The goal of this evening's gathering is to demystify Stevens by giving you the simple tools you need not just to make sense of him (the goal of all reading of poetry) but to enjoy him as he himself hoped he would be enjoyed. "Poetry helps people live better lives," he once wrote, meaning not just that we are ennobled through poetry, but that our lives are abundantly enriched through the pleasures that only poetry can provide. "The only emperor is the emperor of ice-cream," he wrote—a way of saying that our pleasures, far from being mere pleasant addenda to our lives, are in fact the fullest, richest meaning of them. All are welcome!

### Ordination of Rebecca Froom

Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> ~ 2:30 PM, Sanctuary

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist and Unitarian Society of Germantown (USG) in Philadelphia, invite you to join us in welcoming our Intern Minister, Rebecca Froom into the Unitarian Universalist ministry. A light reception will follow the ordination.

We will be offering home hospitality to members of USG traveling from Philadelphia to Boston. If you are able to host a guest in your home for a night or two, please contact Greg Haig through [office@ASCBoston.org](mailto:office@ASCBoston.org) or 617-536-7050.

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