



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 2008

We do hereby 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 in the wider community with

WE COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE:

peace, liberty, and justice for all • The interconnected and interdependent web of all
existence of which we are a part • The 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 life • Words and
deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers
and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power
of love • Wisdom from the world's religions which inspire us in our ethical
and spiritual life • Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond
to God's love and loving-kindness • Buddhist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science,
and warn us against idolatries 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.

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

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 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!

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.

2/3/2008

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

Prelude, Op. 28, No. 15
Waltz, Op. 69, No. 2

Molly Wood
Frederic Chopin (1810 – 1849)
Chopin

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluya

Gustav Holst (1874 – 1934)

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

CHALICE LIGHTING

Dan Kane

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

TIME FOR ALL AGES

Sean and the Selkies

Erick DuPree

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***HYMN 151**

I Wish I Knew How

All children are invited to leave for class with Erick DuPree and Alex Powers-Patey. Please join in singing them out:

Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the spirit of love surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go. (HYMN 413)

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF JOY AND SORROW

Todd Rinehart

You are invited to share your joys and sorrows 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.”

HYMN 123 (seated)

Spirit of Life

Carolyn McDade,

Spanish 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 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.

***HYMN 95**

There Is More Love Somewhere

SERMON

Outliving Guilt

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Hold On

trad. American folk song
arr. *Eugene Thamon Simpson*

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

You Walk With Me from *The Full Monty*
David Vogel, tenor

David Yazbek (b. 1960)

***HYMN 203**

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Blessings of Love
text: Sufi Chant

Larry Philips
arr. *Mark David Buckles*

May the blessings of Love rest upon us.
May peace abide with us.
May God's presence illuminate our hearts
now and forevermore.

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

Gavotte from *English Suite in G Minor* *J. S. Bach* (1685 – 1750)
Prelude in G Major from *The Well Tempered Clavier, Book 1* *Bach*

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

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

The flowers this morning are given
in loving memory of Helen Ewer
by Emily Dunn and Carol Brown.

...and Service is Our Gift

Ginny Merritt and Desmond Ravenstone,
Associate Worship Coordinators
Michael Orzech, Lead Worship Coordinator
Todd Rinehart, Candles Coordinator
Philip Roberts, Head Usher
Philip Roberts and Scott Schroeder, Assistant Treasurers

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

“We covenant to affirm and promote a free and responsible search for truth and meaning.”

This is the fourth 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 ASC. The members are: Sherene Aram, Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Charlene Galarneau, Elizabeth Lindholm, David McClain, Steven Procopio (Co-Chair), Jenn Shaw, and Mark Watanabe (Co-Chair). Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Sarah Richards (vice-moderator), D. Richard Pooler (treasurer), and Carol Smith (clerk).

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