

Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – DECEMBER 2, 2012

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Simply drop it into the offering plate, or hand it to an usher after the service.

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 name tag(s) for Sunday worship. (Name tags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
- Check here if you do *not* want to receive **Snapshot**, the e-newsletter of ASC with biweekly 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 Choir/Music
- Social Action Children's Religious Education
- Adult Religious Education & Connections (ASC's small group ministry)
- Young Adult Group Other _____

At Your Service:

- * If you would like a large print order of service and hymns, or Brailled hymns
- * If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- * If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance

Service is Our Gift

Assistant Treasurers, Philip Roberts and Scott Schroeder
Candles Coordinator, Liz Weber
Lead Greeter, Nancy Perna
Lead Usher, Philip Roberts
Worship Coordinator, Desmond Ravenstone

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE MEMBERS ARE:

Art Nava (chair) / Shane McBride (vice-chair)
Christine Curtiss / Greg Haig / Richard Marshall
Dan Moon / Deb Pontes / Ellen Payzant
Harlow Robinson

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Samuel Gloyd & Karl Paulnack (co-moderators)
David McClain (clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)

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.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs in the Perkins Room for CRE. There is an adjacent toddler room for parents with children ages 1-5. Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the Nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service.

For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

ALLELUIA!

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

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."

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**ARLINGTON
STREET CHURCH**
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, 2012

Advent 1 ~ Hope

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM
DRAWS FROM MANY SOURCES

OUR FIRST SOURCE

*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 life*

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Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

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ADVENT 1 ~ HOPE

PRELUDE

Piano Sonata in C Major *Joseph Haydn* (1732-1809)
Molly Wood, piano

WELCOME

INTROIT

Our Doors Are Open *Herb Tyson* (b. 1951)
Herb Tyson, guitar and vocals

CHALICE LIGHTING *Ann & Nathaniel Clarke*

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Hope *Catie Scudera, Intern Minister*

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction 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.

*At this time, all children are welcome to join
the Children's Religious Education program!*

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

NEW MEMBER JOINING CEREMONY

Responsive Reading 468, "We Need One Another"

*HYMN 390

Gaudeamus Hodie (translation: "Let Us Rejoice Today")

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle 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, by clicking on "Worship."

Some of us pray with words, some of us pray through action, and some of us use words other than prayer to describe our connection to the divine and to one another. As you feel called, please join us in singing the chorus of *Healing Prayer*.

Healing Prayer music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)
text: *African American Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and Nick Page*
Glorivy Arroyo, mezzo soprano; Julie Gregorio, soprano

Drone
Melody
We pray _____ We

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 225

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

SERMON

Waiting *Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie*

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

Sinfony, from *Messiah* *G. F. Handel* (1685-1759)
Molly Wood, piano

CANTICLE

Comfort Ye, from *Messiah* text: *Isaiah 40: 1-4*
Ev'ry Valley, from *Messiah* music: *G.F. Handel*
Jonathan Price, tenor; Molly Wood, piano

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

And the Glory of the Lord, from *Messiah* text: *Isaiah 40: 5*
music: *G.F. Handel*

*HYMN 226

People, Look East

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (sung twice; please join us!)

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Buckles*

When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, And with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE

Allegro in C major *Leopold Mozart* (1719-1787)
Molly Wood, piano

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

TODAY in CRE

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

Our theme for December is *Sleeping*. Today, we'll harvest veggies from our garden as we put it to bed for the winter. Then we can prep and package the herbs for our homes, for gifts, and to sell at the Holiday Bazaar.

Note: At 12:30 the youth group will meet in the Perkins room, and the parents group meets with Lisa Mobayed in the stage right room.

December 9th

We're having a holiday craft-making party from 12:30-2:00 in the parish hall! Come one, come all! Create bird feeders, cards, and scented oranges to sell at the Holiday Bazaar.