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## UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION PRINCIPLES AND PURPOSES

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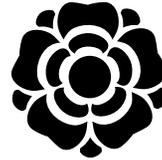
We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote

- 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 society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

The living tradition which we share 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 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 inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
- Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;
- Humanist 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.



### ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH Unitarian Universalist

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### ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT MEMBERSHIP?

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You've been attending Arlington Street Church (ASC) for a few Sundays – or perhaps a few years. You've become a familiar face at coffee hour. Or maybe you've attended a class at the ASCenter. Or you've participated in one of our social action projects. In other words, if you've decided that Arlington Street Church is your spiritual home and you're ready to strengthen your connection to ASC and deepen your understanding of Unitarian Universalist principles, then you're ready to become a member. But just how do you do it?

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### STEPS TOWARD JOINING

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- Sign up and participate in Membership Classes. These are usually two sessions, each lasting about two hours.
- Pledge to support ASC financially.
- Make a verifiable contribution toward that pledge.

Sign the membership book. Be formally voted into membership by the congregation. It's that easy!

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### WHAT IS THE MEMBERSHIP CLASS?

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Designed for people considering membership at Arlington Street Church, this class is usually offered on a quarterly basis throughout the year. During the class you'll:

- Share your religious or spiritual journey.
- Learn about the history and traditions of Unitarian Universalism and the inner-workings of Arlington Street Church.
- Hear about how you can become more involved in ASC.
- Expand your circle of friends in the church.

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### GETTING INVOLVED

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How can I find out more about Arlington Street Church?

- Go to our website [ascboston.org](http://ascboston.org) where you can sign up for Snapshot (our e-newsletter) and learn more about our community and upcoming events.
- Visit our Facebook page at [facebook.com/ArlingtonStreetChurch](https://facebook.com/ArlingtonStreetChurch).
- Read "Inside Arlington Street Church: The Soul of Sunday," our weekly news bulletin distributed on Sunday mornings.
- Visit the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall after Sunday Services or email [Membership@ASCBoston.org](mailto:Membership@ASCBoston.org).

We look forward to getting to know you better!



# Welcome!

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Please return this card to any member of the ASC staff.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Name(s) & Age(s)

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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.)

**I prefer to be contacted by:**

Mail

Phone

E-mail

No preference

**I would like to know more about:**

Membership Classes/Joining ASC

Young Adult Group (18-35)

Adult Religious Education

Children's Religious Education

Choir/Music

Volunteering

Social Action

Other \_\_\_\_\_