
Other Announcements

GAYLA Unitarian Universalist Retreat

July 18th – 25th, Unitarian Universalist Ferry Beach Retreat

GAYLA is a week-long retreat at Ferry Beach for gay and bisexual men. Activities at this beloved Unitarian Universalist retreat in Maine will include practical spirituality, ecology, the arts, an optional Morning Chapel, volleyball, and themed evening activities. Enjoy the sumptuous family style meals, sandy beach, and opportunities to participate in the Northeast Unitarian Universalist Choral Festival. Feel free to talk with past Arlington Street Church attendees Joel Light, Philip Roberts, and Steve Vorenberg. For more information, visit, www.ferrybeach.org, or call (207) 284-8612.

Nature Lovers

We are looking for two or more volunteers to become faithful stewards of the church lawn. With the return of the green, it will need loving attention. If you have the time, and believe a good physical workout is music to the soul, we have the mower for you! Please contact the church office at 617-536-7050 and speak to either Jeffrey or Ed.

Cool Tip: Sign up for the Green Electric Grid

Many of you have probably already signed up for NStar's renewable energy option on your electric bill.

But if you haven't yet done it, it only costs 1.4 cents per kWh — or about 10% extra — to be 100% transferred to the green grid!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesdays, 6:00 – 7:30 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 will be a \$10 charge that will go to the church.

Environmental Tips

Climate Change — What you can do at home to reduce Green House Gas Emissions. It is important to control the emission of greenhouse gases (carbon dioxide from the burning of oil, natural gas and coal, methane and other gases) because they trap heat in the atmosphere which causes significant changes in global temperatures and climate patterns. Some observed changes include shrinking of glaciers, sea level rise, thawing of permafrost, later freezing and earlier break-up of ice on rivers and lakes, lengthening of growing seasons, shifts in plant and animal ranges and earlier flowering of trees.

Change five lights — Change a light, and you help change the world. Replace the conventional bulbs in your five most frequently

used light fixtures with bulbs that have the ENERGY STAR and you will help the environment while saving money on energy bills. If every household in the U.S. took this one simple action we would prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emissions from nearly ten million cars.

Seal and Insulate Your Home

Sealing air leaks and adding more insulation to your home is a great do-it-yourself project. The biggest leaks are usually found in the attic and basement. If you are planning to replace windows, choose ENERGY STAR qualified windows for better performance. Forced air ducts that run through unconditioned spaces are often big energy wasters. Seal and insulate any ducts in attics and crawlspaces to improve the efficiency of your home. Not sure where to begin? A home energy auditor can also help you find air leaks, areas with poor insulation, and evaluate the over-all energy efficiency of your home. By taking these steps, you can eliminate drafts, keep your home more comfortable year round, save energy that would otherwise be wasted, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



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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 or leave a note in the suggestion box outside the Church Office. 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.

Inside Submission Guidelines

Please deliver all Sunday announcements before Tuesday at 3:00 pm by e-mail to communications@ASCBoston.org. Announcements will not be accepted by telephone. 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.

Scheduling Events at Arlington Street Church

All issues dealing with building usage for both congregational usage and rentals, must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, 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.

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. 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! Also, please be attentive when exiting the church into the alley. When walking in the alley avoid being alone, carry a cell phone, walk in the center of the road, and pay attention!

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 14TH, 2009

Today's Events

Arlington Street Church Fire Drill

Today! 12:00 PM

As part of our on going Security Team work to make Arlington Street Church a safe space for our community, we are planning to evacuate the sanctuary and Parish House in an orderly fashion at the END of the worship service today. Directions will be given from the High Pulpit, with assistance by volunteers stationed throughout the building and exits.

If you are a volunteer (who has attended the Volunteer Orientation Meeting), please speak to Rob Cuddi before the service to confirm that you will cover your station assignment.

Sunday Sundaes — The Annual Ice Cream Social!

Today! 12:15 PM

The staff of Arlington Street Church cordially invites you to come in from the fire drill for ice cream sundaes! This is our annual appreciation event: We appreciate *you!*

The annual meeting of the corporation will follow. All are welcome!

Corporation Meeting

Today! 12:45 PM – 3:00 PM, in the Sanctuary

Agenda

(* means a vote is required)

- I. Membership update*
- II. Elections of officers, Prudential committee members, nominating committee, and delegates to the Mass Bay District and the UU Urban Ministry*
- III. Council report
- IV. Prudential Committee report
- V. Business administrator's report
- VI. Finance report
- VII. Proposed budget for FY2010*
- VIII. Jubilee update

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(Corporation Meeting agenda, from previous page)

IX. Santuario update

X. Other business

Free childcare will be provided downstairs in the Perkins Room.

Children's Religious Education

Join parents Alan Rogers and Sarah Cooleybeck this morning as they take the children of the church school on a Swan Boat ride in the Public Garden. All children are welcome. Children who choose to stay behind are invited to the Parish Hall with Erick DuPree, religious educator.

Congregational Announcements

Last Chance to Join Arlington Street Church This Year!

If you have ever taken the new member class and have yet to sign the membership book and take the plunge, here is your opportunity. The final new member in-gathering ceremony of this church year will occur on Sunday June 21st. You must contact Rev. Dan if you want to participate in the new member in-gathering. On June 21st, we will meet at 10:30 AM in the chapel to go over the joining ceremony. If you're ready, so are we! Contact Rev. Dan at DKane@ASCBoston.org or 617-536-7050 x18.

Fiscal Year Pledges

The June 30th marks the end of the current church fiscal year. If you have not fulfilled your pledge for this year, please plan to do so by June 30th. If you have questions regarding the balance on your pledge, contact the church office at 617-536-7050.

July 1st begins our next fiscal year and Covenant Renewal is in high gear! To those who have made a commitment to Arlington Street Church for the next year, "Thank You!" If you have received a pledge brochure and not completed it, please consider returning your pledge as soon as possible. Members and supporters provide nearly 50% of the funds needed to run our programs and maintain the building.

Pledge forms are available in the pews and from the church office.

Humpday Brown Bag Lunch

Wednesdays, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM, in the Perkins Room

Are you unemployed? If so, join JP LaFond and other church folks for brown bag lunches on Wednesdays. We'll eat, chat, and share employment strategies. Bring your own lunch. Hope to see you on humpday!

Coming Up...

Sunday, June 14th, 2009

9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
9:30 AM Social Action Committee - Archives Room
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary
12:00 PM Fire Drill - Sanctuary
12:15 PM Ice Cream Social - Parish Hall
12:45 PM Corporation Meeting - Sanctuary
1:00 PM Sunday Connections Group - Perkins Room

Monday, June 15th, 2009

7:00 PM UU Reading Group - Stage Right Room

Tuesday, June 16th, 2009

6:00 PM Prudential Committee - Perkins Room

Wednesday, June 17th, 2009

8:00 AM Bunker Hill Day - Church Office Closed
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Chapel

Thursday, June 18th, 2009

5:30 PM *Human Resource Committee - Perkins Room
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

Friday, June 19th, 2009

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program - Parish Hall and Kitchen

Saturday, June 20th, 2009

No congregation related events at this time.

Sunday, June 21st, 2009

9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
10:30 AM New Member Joining Ceremony Prep. - Chapel
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary
12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:30 PM Young Adults Lunch - Stage Right Room
4:00 PM *Building Your Own Theology - Chapel

*Closed meeting

NOTE: This calendar is accurate as of noon the Wednesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation. For complete, up-to-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit www.ASCBoston.org.

Our New Unitarian Universalist Association President

This June, Rev. Bill Sinkford will conclude his eight years of excellent service as president of the Unitarian Universalist Association. Two ministers are running to fill this position: Rev. Dr. Laurel Hallman and Rev. Peter Morales. Arlington Street's five delegates will be casting their votes for one of these candidates at the General Assembly, which will be held at Salt Lake City in June.

Information on Laurel Hallman can be found at <http://www.laurelhallman.com>. Information on Peter Morales can be found at <http://www.moralesforuuapresident.org>. Please visit these websites to inform yourself about these candidates. Please send all opinions to Molly Uline, UU Affairs Committee Chair, at mollyuline@gmail.com and she'll pass them on to the delegates. Arlington Street's delegates are Linda Evans, Jennifer Martin, David McClain, Katie Tyson, Heleni Thayer, and alternate, Heather Concannon. They look forward to your questions, concerns, and excitement!

Music At Arlington Street Church

Stephanie McGuire Sings for New Orleans

Sunday, June 28th, 1:00 PM, in the Sanctuary

Our beloved former alto section leader is making a stop on her summer tour here at Arlington Street Church! Her recital, *Songs of Wonder, Bliss, Loss and Fury* is a fundraiser for Arlington Street Church's ongoing work in New Orleans. In addition to song cycles by Ravel, Britten, and Mahler, Stephanie and pianist Thomas Enman will present African-American art songs and an opera favorite or two. Come and hear beautiful music and contribute to Arlington Street Church's Partner Church service trips to New Orleans. Suggested donation: \$10.

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Marriage Study

June 25th – June 30th

A researcher from Indiana University is conducting a study on how congregations are shaping public understanding of marriage. Rather than public advocacy, the study focuses on how congregations perform marriage ceremonies to encourage good marriages. Ideally, the researcher is seeking a total of five people to participate in interviews — either as a group or individually.

The results of the study will appear in published papers, a book and in national journals and magazines. Participating individuals and congregations will not be identified.

The researcher will be in the Boston area June 25th – June 30th. If you think you may be interested and would like additional information, please contact Jeffrey Bouchard in the church office at 617-536-7050 x14 or at jbouchard@ASCBoston.org

Unitarian Universalist Reading Group

Mondays, 7:00 PM, in the Stage Right Room

The Unitarian Universalist Reading Group will continue for the summer. Join us! We'll discuss *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* on June 15th, and *The Golden Compass* on July 6th and 20th. To sign up, send an email to Richard Mattoli in care of Office@ASCBoston.org or visit the Membership Table during Coffee Hour.