

Indulge....in a Taste of Spring

Second Annual Gala Celebration to Benefit Arlington Street Church
Saturday, March 5th ~ 6:30 PM, Parish Hall

Countdown....13 more days until spring!!! (At ASC, that is.)

Here's a sampling of what's to come.

Enjoy sparkling wine, fresh fruit kabobs, spanakopita, and other delectables while perusing the many silent auction items in the Hunnewell Chapel. Then proceed to the ASC Garden (Parish Hall) for a gourmet dinner, live auction, and entertainment. Our chef has worked up three wonderful entree choices: Shrimp Scampi with Roasted Vegetables and Linguine (served with Chilean Sauvignon Blanc), Roasted Cornish Game Hens with Herbed Rice (served with French Pinot Noir), or a Medley of Stir-Fried Vegetables with Linguine and Fresh Parmesan (served with Italian Pinot Grigio). And, accompanying all of these will be fresh, spring asparagus!

We're adding more great items to both the live and silent auctions. Here's a few:

- New York, New York—three-day stay in a luxury, two-bedroom apartment at Lincoln Center with panoramic views of Central Park.
- Vacation at Provincetown—plan a one-week getaway in September (the crowds have left and the weather is still great) in a two-bedroom home with water views.
- A Midsummer Night's Dream—four tickets for Boston Ballet's performance with dining at Stella's Restaurant in the South End (\$100 gift certificate).
- Reading on the Go—Kindle 3G wireless reading device, works globally plus Wi-Fi, 6" display.

And, we'll top off the evening with a medley of desserts and entertainment by The Blue Hotel jazz group who will make you swing (in your seat or on your feet)!

Tickets are \$75 per person or \$550 for a table of eight. The deadline for reservations is Monday, February 28th. For more information email ASCIndulge2011@aol.com or call the church office, 617.236.5070 x10.

Volunteer for Ricesticks and Tea Food Pantry

Ricesticks and Tea (RST) is the Asian Food Pantry held at Arlington Street Church on the second Saturday of each month. We are looking for volunteers on the second Friday morning of each month to set up for the distribution of the food which happens the next day. If you are interested, please contact Sherry Dong at ricesticksandtea@gmail.com. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation for food purchases, please send your check to AACA/Ricesticks and Tea, Box 120681, Boston, MA 02111. Thank you!

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM 2010 thru. 2011

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We Commit an Annual Total Of \$ _____ to Support
the Work of the Arlington Street Church for 2010-2011.

My/Our Pledge for the Year Will Be Paid:

Weekly Monthly Quarterly

Semi-annually One payment Or As Follows: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Contributions may be made via cash, check, or credit card. If you are paying your pledge with cash via the Sunday collection, be sure to clearly mark the envelope with your name(s) and indicate "**Pledge Payment**". Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church and also please include "2011 pledge payment" on memo line. If you wish to use a credit card, please complete the information below:

Mastercard Visa Zip Code: _____

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

One Time Charge Monthly Contribution

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**. 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.

INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements before Tuesday noon to **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, FEBRUARY 20TH, 2011

TODAY

Coffee Hour

Parish Hall, immediately following the worship service

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.

Our kitchen team is friendly and has a wonderful time! Join the fun and serve! To officially join the team, please contact Jon Ellertson or Sharon Pressly-Fiero at office@ASCBoston.org.

THIS WEEK

English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Tuesday and Thursday, February 22nd & 24th ~ 9:30 AM, Perkins Room

Learn or improve your English! This 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. Instructor Helen Bhardwaj has taught ESL in the United States, China, and Thailand.

Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion of the Arlington Zen Center

Tuesday, February 22nd ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday throughout the church year. Tonight, we will begin reading together Jack Kornfield's wonderful new book, The Buddha Is Still Teaching. Join us!

Buddha's Belly is followed by gatherings of the Arlington Street Zen Center at 7:00 PM with seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. All are welcome!

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

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, February 23rd ~ 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 will be a \$10 charge that goes to the church.

SAVE THE DATE

Spiritual Passions 2011!

Vision 500: Communication

Sunday, February 27th ~ 1:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Join Art Nava and Bob Sessions for this important conversation about the ways in which both leading-edge social media and old-fashioned forms of communication can enhance our experience of the beloved community and our spiritual growth at Arlington Street Church. Young adults, mid-lifers, and elders: we need you! All in for this important discussion about how we communicate among ourselves, and how we extend our prophetic hospitality to the world.

Sacred Eros: "Boundaries"

Monday, February 28th ~ 7:00 PM, Perkins Room

When we talk about relationships, from casual acquaintances to intimate bonds, we often talk about personal boundaries. And we've all experienced or witnessed some conflict or misunderstanding around such limits. How can we learn to respect one another's boundaries, while still being open to opportunities to relate? Come to another spirited discussion, and bring food or drink to share.

What Moves Us: Unitarian Universalist Faith Reflections

Mondays, February 28th through May 9th ~ 6:00 PM, Perkins Room/Chapel

This 10-session Adult Religious Education program facilitated by our Intern Minister, Rebecca Froom, provides a space for participants to reflect on what it means to live in the world as a Unitarian Universalist person of faith. This course, written by the UU theologian Rev. Dr. Thandeka, explores the life experiences of historic and contemporary UU theologians, highlighting that which caused in them a change of heart, a new direction, new hope, and a deeper understanding of their own liberal faith. These workshops invite participants to reflect on their own personal experiences in light of the questions raised by each theologian. Register at the Welcome Table by Monday, February 21st or at office@ASCBoston.org.

This Week

Sunday, February 20, 2011

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 ~ Parish Hall
12:30 PM Nominating Committee Meeting ~ Smith Room

Monday, February 21, 2011

Church office is closed for Presidents Day

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

9:30 AM Adult English as a Second Language Class ~ Perkins Room
5:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, February 23, 2011

*3:30 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Chapel
7:00 PM UU Affairs Committee Meeting ~ Perkins Room

Thursday, February 24, 2011

9:30 AM Adult English as a Second Language Class ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal ~ Clark Room

Friday, February 25, 2011

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper Program ~ Parish Hall | Kitchen

Saturday, February 26, 2011

1:00 PM Indulge Set-Up ~ Parish Hall

Sunday, February 27, 2011

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 Coffee Hour ~ Parish Hall
1:00 PM Spiritual Passions ~ Hunnewell Chapel

NOTE: 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 www.ASCBoston.org.

* Denotes closed meetings

For more information, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



Pride 2011 Planning Meeting

Tuesday, March 1st ~ 6:00 PM, Perkins Room

Do you like to march? Can you play a kazoo? Are you a banner waver, a pom-pom shaker, or a flag carrier? Come to the meeting and be a part of Arlington Street Church's 2011 PRIDE Celebration Planning Team. Can't make the meeting? Speak to Rev. Kim or anyone on the Worship Team for more information.

New Member Class

Wednesday, March 2nd ~ 6:30 pm, Perkins Room

Sunday, March 6th ~ 12:30 PM, Frothingham Library

All interested newcomers are warmly invited to our next two-session new member class. Please sign up at the Welcome Table downstairs in the Parish Hall after the service. All are welcome!

The Wednesdays Literary Salon

Wednesdays, starting April 20th ~ 6:00-8:00 PM, Frothingham Library

Spring is in the air! It must be time for LOVE. Join us on four consecutive Wednesday evenings for a romp through every author's favorite and most confounding, exciting, and devastating topic. For more information, please speak with Professor Alan Helms or Rev. Kim.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Assembly Delegates

All Arlington Street members interested in representing Arlington Street Church at General Assembly this year, are invited to speak to any member of the Nominating Committee: Dan Moon, Judy Delgiacco, JP Lafond, Karen Tausch, or Rob Cuddi. GA will be held in Charlotte, NC from June 22-26, 2011.

Hospitality Homes Is Looking for Volunteer Hosts

Hospitality Homes is a non-profit organization that provides no-cost temporary housing in volunteer host homes and other donated accommodations for families and friends of patients traveling at least 50 miles for care at medical centers in the Boston area. Since 1983, the organization has provided a caring response as well as relief from emotional and financial challenges for these individuals and families. Last year alone, Hospitality Homes saved 632 guests over \$462,000 in hotel fees. However, the demand for services has spiked 198% just since last year, and the current 100 homes in the program cannot keep up with the demand. To learn more about becoming a volunteer host, please visit <http://hosp.org/host.htm>.

New Arlington Street Photos

On occasion, Dave Dietz will be taking pictures in and around the church, for exclusive use on the church web site and in church brochures. If you don't want your image to appear, please notify Phyllis at PG@ASCBoston.org.

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