

Special Celebratory Worship

Wednesday, May 28th ~ 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

Come celebrate! In 2012, a group of church members committed to completing a two-year curriculum called "Building The World We Dream About" which explores anti-racism, anti-oppression, and multiculturalism in ourselves and our communities. The course will end in June. There is much to celebrate and an exciting future ahead! Please join us for a special worship service as we conclude this class, honor the journey thus far, and reflect on the next steps toward building the world we dream at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and light snacks will be provided. Please RSVP at <http://tinyurl.com/ASCBuildingTheWorld>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covenant Renewal ~ Have You Pledged Yet?

Some folks missed Covenant Renewal Sunday. Along with volunteer service, an annual pledge is a component of membership to Arlington Street Church. Please fill out a pledge form and place it in the offering basket! Let's give to maintain the glorious building we love, to grow the programs we so enjoy, to support the minister and staff we depend on, and to make real our vision of love, service, justice, and peace in the world!

Welcome to Shambhala

Weds., June 4th ~ 6:30 PM Tea/Conversation; 7:00-8:30 Program/Tour Shambhala Meditation Center, 646 Brookline Ave. Brookline MA

Our friends at Boston Shambhala Center invite us to a "Welcome to Shambhala" gathering. Please join Rev. Kim for this wonderful opportunity to learn about the core principles of the Shambhala community and how they aspire to work with them in everyday life. The evening will include an introduction to Shambhala, a guided meditation practice, a talk, and contemplation of the Shambhala principles, as related to personal transformation and social vision. The evening concludes with a tour of the meditation halls, refreshments, and social time. Registration is not required. They invite us to bring friends and to dress comfortably. Cushions and chairs will be provided.

Requests for Jubilee Support

"Jubilee" supports Arlington Street's "work in the world." Church members are welcome to submit requests for support (financial and other) that promote the Jubilee initiative and its guiding principles. Submit requests for Jubilee summer projects by May 15th. Project ideas for the coming church year should be submitted by Oct. 1st. For more information: ascboston.org/jubilee/index.html.

Parking in the Alley behind Arlington Street Church

Parking revenue is a critical piece of church income. Please help keep our tenants happy by leaving their spaces available to them. Spaces are rented Monday through Saturday and tenants have been given the option to tow.

- Space 10 is not rented and is available to small cars
- Spaces 2, 7, 8, and 9 are available after 6:00 PM
- Spaces 3, 4, 5 are rented from 6:00 AM–9:00 PM
- Space 1 is reserved at all times for the minister

COVENANT RENEWAL PLEDGE FORM

July 2014 through June 2015

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/We commit an **TOTAL ANNUAL PLEDGE** of \$ _____

to support the work of Arlington Street Church for 2014-2015.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Pledge contributions may be made by cash, check, or credit card.

- If you are paying with cash via the Sunday collection, please mark the envelope with your name(s) and "**2015 Pledge Payment**".
- Checks should be made payable to Arlington Street Church with "**2015 Pledge Payment**" written on the check memo line.
- If you wish to pay by credit card, please complete the following:

Accepted: Mastercard Visa

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: mm____ yy____ Zip Code: _____

Please charge my credit card in either:

- One payment for my entire pledge on July 10, 2014
- Equal monthly installments on the **10th of each month**
- I'm adding a pledge of SERVICE! Here's how I'd like to serve:

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. The Church's administrative assistant will pass your message on to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow up. Thanks!

SCHEDULING EVENTS AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

All issues dealing with building usage, (both congregational use and rentals), must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, Administrative Assistant and 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.

INSIDE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please email all Sunday "Inside" announcements before **Tuesday noon** to print@ascboston.org. Phyllis Giuliano (Business Administrator) will receive your email and will compile the announcements for publication. Materials should be legible, signed, and fully composed. Space is limited, so some editing may be necessary. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

OUR CARING COMMUNITY—EMERGENCIES

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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NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MAY 11TH, 2014

TODAY

Coffee Hour

Today ~ Immediately following worship, Parish Hall

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.

We welcome additional volunteers to help with food preparation and, especially, with clean-up. To volunteer, and for more information about joining our team, please stop by the kitchen today, or contact Jon Ellertson at office@ascboston.org.

Share the Plate with Louis D. Brown Peace Institute

Today ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

We continue our new spiritual practice of generosity at Arlington Street. For May, *Share the Plate* donations will go to Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. Half of this morning's offering will sustain Arlington Street, and half will go to the Institute.

Louis D. Brown Peace Institute is staffed almost entirely by survivors of violence. It supports other survivors while sponsoring anti-violence services and workshops in local schools. It also organizes the annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace.

If you wish to split your cash, a check, or credit card donation between your pledge to Arlington Street and *Share the Plate*, please specify how much money goes toward each. Thank You!

The Arlington Street Humanists Group

Today ~ 1:00 PM, Stage Right Room

Please come to today's discussion of an eventful trip made by a couple of our members to the local Ethical Society and the Sunday Assembly groups. How do these groups compare with our own Humanist corner of Unitarian Universalism, how are they different from each other, and what might we be able to learn from them?

Also on deck: The recent US Supreme Court decision regarding Town Meeting Invocations and what the Humanist response has been. All are welcome!

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CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF MARRIAGE EQUALITY

Advocacy Day!

Tuesday, May 13th ~ 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM, Parish Hall and Hunnewell Chapel

Ten years ago, Massachusetts helped set off a revolution of equality. A group of courageous couples, including several Unitarian Universalist couples, filed a lawsuit making the simple case that the love they had for each other was equal to the love of any other couple. They won that case, which set off a battle on Beacon Hill that ended with Massachusetts being the first state to recognize full Marriage Equality. UU Mass Action is sponsoring three anniversary events. For more information, to register, purchase tickets, or donate, visit uumassaction.org/uuma/advocacyday.

- Attend the Acts of Faith Breakfast with speaker David Wilson, one of the plaintiffs in the case. Tickets are \$30.
- Participate in Advocacy Day from 10:30–3:00 PM. Advocacy Day begins with a worship service followed by speakers, a celebration at the State House, and visits to legislators. When you register, we will contact your legislators and set up appointments for you to meet with them or their representatives and deliver wedding cupcakes! Tickets are \$15 each.
- Contribute to the Wedding Cake Cupcake Fund! Your contribution of any amount towards the purchase of these cupcakes would be most appreciated!

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

Tuesday, May 13th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Buddha's Belly and the Arlington Street Zen Center (feel free to come to one or both) meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

Buddha's Belly meets at 6 PM. Tonight we continue our discussion of, *The Shambhala Principle: Discovering Humanity's Hidden Treasure* by Sakyong Mipham. Please read chapter 14.

Arlington Street Zen Center meets at 7 PM and includes seated and walking meditations, a dharma talk, and conversation. Beginners and experienced meditators from all traditions are welcome!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, May 14th ~ 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 is a \$10 donation that goes to the church. First class is free!

The Wednesdays Literary Salon with Professor Alan Helms ~ Alice Munro

Wednesdays, May 14th, 21st, 28th ~ 6:00-8:00 PM, Frothingham Library

For my money, Alice Munro is the best living writer in English. She just won the Nobel Prize in Literature, the first time in its hundred years plus history that the prize has been given to a short story writer. Her style is graceful, deft, and clear; her psychological acuity brilliant; her story-telling prowess unequalled; and her humanity profound. To read an Alice Munro story is to enter a world that is strange yet familiar, and then to leave it deeply moved, sometimes shaken, always enlightened with a larger sense of life. Please join Rev. Kim and me for three glorious encounters with this transcendent writer.

We invite you to cut out this calendar and keep it handy or view the full calendar at ASCBoston.org

This Week

Sunday, May 11, 2014

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
9:30 AM Social Action Committee ~ Smith Room
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish, Carol Smith
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall

Monday, May 12, 2014

*10:30 AM Connections Group~ Perkins Room
*6:30 PM Multiculturalism/Anti-Racism Class ~ Parish Hall

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

9:00 AM UU Mass Action Advocacy Day ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM Buddha's Belly ~ Hunnewell Chapel
*6:30 PM Connections ~ Perkins Room
7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center ~ Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

*12:00 PM Staff Meeting ~ Perkins Room
6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga ~ Hunnewell Chapel
6:00 PM The Wednesdays: Alice Munro ~ Frothingham Library
6:30 PM Talking Your Walk ~ Smith Room
*6:30 PM BTWWDA Workshop ~ Perkins Room

Thursday, May 15, 2014

7:00 PM Choir Practice ~ Clarke Room
*8:00 PM Connections Group ~ Perkins Room

Friday, May 16, 2014

5:00 PM Friday Night Supper ~ Parish Hall

Saturday, May 17, 2014

No congregational events

Sunday, May 18, 2014

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ~ Sanctuary
11:15 AM Children's Religious Education ~ Perkins, Parish, Carol Smith
12:00 PM Coffee Hour and Lunch ~ Parish Hall
12:00 PM Photo Taking ~ Hunnewell Chapel
4:00 PM Youth Group/Catie's Ordination ~ Perkins Room
5:00 PM Catie Scudera's Ordination ~ Sanctuary
6:30 PM Ordination Reception ~ Parish Hall
8:30 PM Tom Goss Concert ~ Hunnewell Chapel

* Denotes closed meetings. This calendar is accurate as of noon the Tuesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation.

For additional listings, please visit www.ASCBoston.org



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Our text is Munro's first collection of short stories: *Dance of the Happy Shades*. You'll find over 20 copies on Amazon for \$12-16, and most public libraries will have it. Readings:

- May 14th: "Walker Brothers Cowboy," "The Shining Houses," "Images"
- May 21st: "The Time of Death," "Day of the Butterfly," "Boys and Girls"
- May 28th: "Red Dress—1946," "Sunday Afternoon," "Dance of the Happy Shades"

Talking Your Walk

Wednesday, May 14th ~ 6:30 PM, Smith Room

Talking Your Walk meets every second Wednesday. This is a non-clinical support group in solidarity with those who are dealing with the challenge of depression. Our own John Sacco, LICSW, is the facilitator. Please see Rev. Kim or John with questions, or to let us know that you will be joining the group.

SAVE THE DATE

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF MARRIAGE EQUALITY Worship and Celebration!

Sunday, May 18th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary, Hunnewell Chapel, & Parish Hall

The Boston Gay Men's Chorus and plaintiffs, Dave Wilson and Rob Compton, join us for a celebration of this great day! Following a very special worship service, there will be anniversary photos taken and wedding cake for all to enjoy!

Catie Scudera's Ordination and Reception!

Sunday, May 18th ~ 5:00 PM, (4:30 clergy robing), Sanctuary

The congregation at Arlington Street Church, along with the Winchester Unitarian Society, will be ordaining our intern, Catie Scudera, into the Unitarian Universalist ministry! All Arlington Street members and friends are invited to participate in this celebration of our family of faith. A reception of heavy appetizers and desserts will follow in the parish hall.

Tom Goss and His Band

Sunday, May 18th ~ 8:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Tom Goss is a guitar toting, power-pop prodigy. While his radio-ready music is often compared to acoustic-pop peers such as Jason Mraz and Jack Johnson, it is Goss' earnest and thoughtful lyrics that have propelled him to serious singer/songwriter status. Goss has built a reputation as an activist and spokesperson for the LGBTQ community. In his three previous albums Goss has connected with fans through his deeply personal, heartfelt songs set to lush orchestration and acoustic guitars. For his newest release, *Wait* (Spring 2014), Goss has upped the ante musically, featuring a full band of top-notch musical veterans, including Liz DeRoche (Cane and the Sticks/The Pushovers). While the lyrical content remains charming and intimate, the addition of a band adds a new dimension of immediacy while packing an emotional punch. Tickets for \$12 can be purchased at <http://tomgossmusic.net/wordpress/full-store/live-in-boston-full-band-sunday-518/>.

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