

INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 2008

Today's Events

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Gather with Arlington Street Church's congregation in this lively and social environment. To find the Parish Hall, head downstairs at the rear of the sanctuary. All are welcome.

Deepen Your Relationship with the Arlington Street Congregation and Unitarian Universalism

November 9th, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, in the Parish Hall

If you are a newcomer,
if you are growing to know us
and understand your journey within our spiritual community,
if you have been with us for a while,
if you have taken some classes or attended some of our events,
if you want to be even more deeply engaged
in your own spiritual journey...

we invite you to attend our upcoming Path to Membership class!

The Path class is a great opportunity to meet others and share your spiritual story. You'll also get to know members, leaders, staff, and ministers in an informal setting. Discussion topics include the 279 year story of our congregation, our governance, our Unitarian Universalist faith and heritage, religious education, our current programs and ways to get involved, making a financial contribution to support our community, and answers to your questions. The class closes with a tour of the church, and you can ring the church bells! For more information or to sign-up, visit the Welcome Table during Coffee Hour or contact Susan Thomas at stthomas@ascboston.org. All are welcome!

Music at Arlington Street Church

Brandon Brooks, Cellist

Today, 11:00 AM, in the Sanctuary

Arlington Street welcomes back Brandon Brooks, cellist, to play selections from two moving pieces based on imprisonment and spirituality: Olivier Messiaen's *Quartet for the End of Time* and Judith Weir's *Unlocked*. Messiaen composed the *Quartet for the End of Time* for his fellow prisoners while being held as a prisoner of war by the German Army during World War II. Weir's *Unlocked* is based on earlier American folk songs collected by John and Alan Lomax in the 1930's from the predominantly African-American occupants of prisons in Florida and Alabama.

“Love Letters”

Inside Out Concert

Featuring musicians from the Boston Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, November 23, 2008, 1:30 PM, in the Sanctuary

FREE, Donations Gratefully Accepted

Engage with classical music through the creative listening approach developed by musician Eli Epstein and Cynthia Ann Hale, as members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra perform Schubert's *Quartett-Satz (Quartet No. 12 in C Minor)* and Janacek's *String Quartet No. 2, “Intimate Letters.”* At Inside Out concerts, audience members are guided through narration and demonstration to listen imaginatively into the emotional layers of music. As memories and associations are evoked through the music, connections are made to universal emotional themes. Many concertgoers report that their Inside Out listening experience is unique, meaningful, and changes the way they think about classical music

Schubert's *Quartett-Satz (Quartet No. 12 in C Minor)*

Janacek's *String Quartet No. 2, “Intimate Letters”*

Elita Kang, *violin*

Jason Horowitz, *violin*

Rebecca Gitter, *viola*

Owen Young, *cello*

Eli Epstein, *tour guide*

Steven Serpa

Countertenor and Composer

Sunday, November 30, 11:00 AM Sanctuary

Countertenor Steven Serpa will join Arlington Streets' own Alistair Kok and Joe DiMarino to provide music for the Sunday morning worship service. They will perform Lili Boulanger's *Pie Jesu* and G. F. Handel's *Father of heaven*, an aria from the oratorio *Judas Maccabaeus*.

Coming Up...

Sunday, November 9th, 2008

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Social Action Committee - Archives Room
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Spirit in Practice - Stage Right Room
- 1:00 PM Path to Membership Class - Parish Hall

Monday, November 10th, 2007

- Church office closed in observance of Veteran's Day
- 7:00 PM *Gay Men's Spirituality Group

Tuesday, November 11th, 2007

- 6:00 PM Buddha's Belly - Hunnewell Chapel
- 6:00 PM Finance Committee - Perkins Room
- 6:45 PM Children's Religious Education Committee - Clarke Room
- 7:00 PM Arlington Street Zen Center - Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, November 12th, 2007

- 3:30 PM *Staff Meeting - Perkins Room
- 6:00 PM Kundalini Yoga - Hunnewell Chapel
- 6:00 PM The Wednesdays - Frothingham Library

Thursday, November 13th, 2007

- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room

Friday, November 14th, 2007

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

Saturday, November 15th, 2007

No congregation related events at this time

Sunday, November 16th, 2007

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
- 12:15 PM Congregational Conversation - Hunnewell Chapel
- 12:30 PM Spirit in Practice - Stage Right Room
- 1:00 PM Corporation Meeting - Sanctuary

* This program is currently closed. Check *Inside* for the next open 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.

“Translucence”

Benefit Concert for World AIDS Day

Steven Serpa, countertenor and composer

Monday, December 1st, 8:00 PM, in the Sanctuary

In honor of World AIDS Day, Arlington Street Church, the AIDS Action Committee of Boston, and countertenor Steven Serpa present “Translucence”. Written 10 years ago by British composer Donna McKevitt, Translucence is an incredibly moving piece of music, invoking the poetry of film director Derek Jarman who died of AIDS related causes in 1994. It is scored for countertenor soloist, a trio of female voices, viola and cello. McKevitt collaborated with Jarman on the music for his final film, *Blue* in 1993; the work celebrates Jarman's views on living with the AIDS virus, the struggle the loss, sometimes rhapsodic, sometimes comical. As a companion piece to Translucence, the event will also feature a world premiere scored for a quartet of vocalists and string trio, with music composed by Steven Serpa and poetry by Jeffrey Beam.

Children's Religious Education

All children are welcome to join Erick DuPree, religious educator, this Sunday as we practice "service is our gift." We will be making cookies for the congregation and offering them to everyone at coffee hour. Please join us after worship at the cookie corral near the welcome table.

Congregational Announcements.

Thanksgiving Food Donations

Today and November 16th, during Coffee Hour, at the Social Action Table

Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal and Villages without Walls have asked for our help putting together food baskets for families for Thanksgiving. Food and donations will be collected on Sundays November 9th and November 16th at the Social Action table and will be delivered on November 20th. Items requested: bags of potatoes (5-10 lbs); cans of cranberry sauce and vegetables; bags of stuffing bread. You can also donate money that will be used to buy the above items and turkey for the baskets. Checks can be sent to the church office care of Laura Pattison (please make out to Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal). Villages without Walls is located at Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal in Dorchester and is sponsored by Jubilee, Arlington Street's Work in the World.

Corporation Meeting

Sunday, November 16th, 1:00 PM, in the Sanctuary

A G E N D A [* means a vote is required]

- *I. Membership Update
- II. Finance Committee Report
- III. Council Report
- IV. Prudential Committee Report
- V. Congregational Conversation
- VI. Other Business

Noam Chomsky: What's Next?

The U.S. and the World after George Bush

Wednesday, November 19th, 6:30 PM, in the Sanctuary

At the end of an election year that combines historic hopes, deep economic crises, grave environmental threats, and heightened militarism, we join Noam Chomsky by asking, "What's next?" This wide-ranging conversation takes place as progressives formulate their strategy for the coming period. Tickets are available at www.encuentro5.org. Funds raised will support Massachusetts Global Action and the encuentro 5 project.

New Office Copier

There is a new copier in the church office. While many of the functions are similar, there are differences between the old and new copier. We ask that you check with a staff member and become familiarized with the various functions of the machine before using it.

The Wednesdays: Auden

Four Wednesday evenings: November 12th and 19th
and December 3rd and 10th from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM,
in the Frothingham Library

Please mark your calendars now to Join Professor Alan Helms and Rev. Kim for this late Autumn literary salon, featuring the poetry of W.H. Auden (1907-1973). All are welcome!

Any text of Auden's poetry will probably do, but we'll be using the Modern Library *Selected Poetry of W. H. Auden*. Copies are available for \$1.00 at abebooks.com. Here are the poems for our first meeting. Happy reading!

“Chorus”

“One Evening

“Lullaby”

“Miss Gee. A Ballad”

“Roman Wall Blues”

“Victor. A Ballad”

“Musée des Beaux Arts”

“Law Like Love”

Other Announcements

Climate Change:

What you can do at home to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

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 crawl spaces 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. From your ASC Green Sanctuary Committee – Questions? Want to get involved? E-mail Green@ASCBoston.org

Parking at Arlington Street Church

On Sunday mornings discount parking is available at the Back Bay Garage now at the rate of \$5 for the first three hours. Regular weekend rates apply thereafter. Back Bay Garage is accessible on Clarendon between Boylston and St. James streets. Present your parking ticket to an usher or at the Welcome Table during coffee hour to obtain the discount sticker.

Please note: Parking spaces in the alley are rented to private, non-Arlington Street Church members Monday through Saturday until 6:00 PM. **Spaces #1 and #2 are for our senior minister and business administrator and must be kept available at all times.** Violators will be towed at the owner's expense without warning.



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 ASC Submission Guidelines

Please deliver all Sunday announcements before Tuesday at 10:00 PM by e-mail to inside@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. The Parish Concerns committee and ASCares, our lay pastoral caregiving team, in conjunction with 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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