

# Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether you are a longtime member, a regular guest, or a first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you to this morning's service. The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a community of seekers, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys.

Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth. Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our sorrows and joys, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts.

Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience here together is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

## OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

"We covenant to affirm and promote the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all."

This is the sixth of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please see the Our Faith brochure in the pew rack.

## ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education classes are held during the 11:00 AM service downstairs in the Perkins Room. Infant care is provided in the nursery, right off the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to lead you and your children there. For further information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. Accessible entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. Braille hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

## PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

## CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church. The members are: Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Doug Fiero, Danny Fournier, Carmen Griggs, Elizabeth Lindholm (Co-Chair), Mickey Randazza, Jenn Shaw, and Mark Watanabe. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Mary Ann Hardenbergh (vice-moderator), Mark MacDonnell (Treasurer), Karl Paulnack (Council Chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH  
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2009

We covenant to affirm and promote • The inherent worth and dignity of every person • Justice, equity and compassion in human relations • Acceptance of transgender and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations • A free and responsible search for truth and meaning • The right of conscience and the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large • The interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part • 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 world which enables us to hold life • Words and deeds of prophetic witness which challenge us to confront powers and structures of oppression and injustice, to transform the oppressive and deforming power of love • Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life • The teachings which call all us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves • Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the insights and wisdom 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.

**WE COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE**  
**Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.**

Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Please drop it into the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service. 5/31/2009

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone numbers \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/Partner \_\_\_\_\_  
Children's Name(s) & Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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.)  
 Check here if you do *not* want to receive **Snapshot**, the e-newsletter of ASC with bi-weekly highlights of our community.

I prefer to be contacted by:  
 Mail     Phone     E-mail     No preference

I would like to know more about:  
 Membership Classes/Joining ASC     Choir/Music  
 Children's Religious Education     Social Action  
 Adult Religious Education and *Connections* (ASC's small group ministry)  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Directory

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Boston, Massachusetts  
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

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SUNDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2009

**PRELUDE**

Appalachia Waltz *Mark O'Connor* (b. 1961)  
Lover's Waltz *Jay Ungar* (b. 1946) and *Molly Mason*  
Alistair Kok, violin  
Susan Kirchausen, viola/violin  
Aliah Rosenthal, violoncello  
Mark David Buckles, guitar

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Filled with Loving Kindness  
text: *Gautama Buddha* (c. 563-483 BCE)  
music: *Ian W. Riddell, adapted Mark W. Hayes*  
Teresa Tam, soprano; Kathryn McKellar, soprano  
May we be filled with loving kindness.  
May we be well.  
May we be peaceful and at ease.  
May we be whole.

**WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS**

**CHALICE LIGHTING**

**\*HYMN 410**  
Surprised by Joy

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING**

Go In Joy text: *Barbara Pescan*  
music: *Bart Bradfield*

Go in joy, — go in peace to meet the day! With  
op - en hearts em - brace life's won - der. We will guide you,  
we will love you on your way. —

The children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick DuPree. All children are welcome!

**COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY** Kate Landis

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candle Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candle Cards are collected until the beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, and clicking on "Worship."

We Pray *Nick Page* (b. 1952)  
J. Jacob Krause, baritone; Teresa Tam, soprano

**AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT**

Love is the spirit of this congregation,  
And service is our gift.  
This is our great covenant:  
To dwell together in peace,  
To speak our truths in love,  
And to help one another.

El amor es el espíritu de nuestra congregación  
Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.  
Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:  
Convivir en paz,  
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,  
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

**\*HYMN 86**  
Blessed Spirit of my Life

**SERMON** Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie  
Respect

**SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER**

**ANTHEM**  
Praise His Holy Name! *Keith Hampton* (b. 1961)

**OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**  
Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

**OFFERTORY**  
Ashokan Farewell *Jay Ungar* (b. 1946)  
Alistair Kok, violin  
Susan Kirchausen, viola/violin  
Aliah Rosenthal, violoncello  
Mark David Buckles, guitar

**\*HYMN**  
Let the Life I Lead *Trad. Irish*

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**  
May the Prayers of Our Hearts text: *Anonymous*  
music: *Mark David Buckles*

May the prayers of our hearts and the songs of our lips  
shared in this ho - ly hour be with us now and in  
all the days to come. A - men. —

**\*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

**POSTLUDE**  
Cottonfields *Huddy Ledbetter*  
arr. *Michael Radanovics*

Alistair Kok, violin  
Susan Kirchausen, viola/violin  
Aliah Rosenthal, violoncello

\* You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

**...and Service is Our Gift**  
Dan Moon, Head Usher  
George Whitehouse, Lead Worship Coordinator  
Kate Landis, Candles Coordinator  
Linda Evans, Head Greeter  
Mark MacDonnell, Treasurer