

Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

WHETHER A LONG-TIME MEMBER, A REGULAR WORSHIPPER 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 joys and concerns, 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 together here 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 return in September. The nursery is unavailable this summer due to renovations. 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. **Accessible** entry is via ramp from Arlington Street MBTA and on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. **Braille** and large print 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), Karl Paulnack, Bob Sessions, and Mickey Randazza. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Rob Cotta (vice moderator), Mark MacDonnell (treasurer), Mark Watanabe (council chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND, 2009

PRELUDE

Selections from "Peer Gynt"

Edvard Grieg (1843–1907)

Op. 46, No. 1

1. Morning Mood
2. Dance of Anitra
3. In the Hall of the Mountain King

Molly Wood, piano

CHALICE LIGHTING

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

*HYMN 199

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW AND JOY

Rob Cuddi

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."

*HYMN 21 For the Beauty of the Earth

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.



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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. 8/2/2009

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 _____

***HYMN 118**

This Little Light of Mine

SERMON

Life is Short. Do it Now!

Deb Tobin

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

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

Impromptu, Op. 90, No. 3

Franz Schubert (1797–1828)

Molly Wood, piano

***HYMN**

Help Somebody

Susan Werner

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

Troldtog (March of the Dwarfs)

Grieg

Molly Wood, piano

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

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

...and Service is Our Gift

- Danny Fournier, Lead Greeter
- Michael Orzech, Lead Worship Coordinator
- Molly Wood, Collaborative Pianist
- Philip Roberts, Assistant Treasurer
- Philip Roberts, Lead Usher
- Rob Cuddi, Candles Coordinator
- Scott Schroeder, Assistant Treasurer



INSIDE

ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND, 2009

All Are Welcome...

WE ARE GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US THIS MORNING FOR WORSHIP! THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH AFFIRMS THE INHERENT WORTH AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON. WE CELEBRATE UNITY IN DIVERSITY.

This morning, we invite you to:

1. Fill in the Welcome Card found on the inside flap of this order of service and place it in the collection plate;
2. Join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall;
3. Take a moment to read through *Inside ASC* for upcoming events here at the church;
4. Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
5. Please come back again soon!

Today's Speaker

DEB TOBIN Sermon: "Life is Short. Do it Now!" Many of us have had life changing experiences which catalyzed personal growth and opportunity to take our lives in new directions. Deb will speak about a personal experience that brought her to Arlington Street Church, seeking community, fellowship and spirituality. Deb recently became a member of Arlington Street Church after attending services for over a year. She is a Risk Manager at a Boston-based financial services firm, where she's worked for 8 ½ years.

Next Week's Speaker

HARLOW ROBINSON Sermon: "Learning Gratitude" Harlow Robinson has lived in Boston since 1996, and has been a member of Arlington Street Church since 2003. He and his husband Robert Holley have been together for 28 years and were married at Arlington Street Church in June, 2004. Harlow is a professor of history at Northeastern University.

New Orleans Service Trip

Come one, come all and join Rev. Kim for Arlington Street Church's service trip to the Big Easy the week of October 12th. Arrive early, stay longer and enjoy the hospitality of this Rocking City! There is still plenty to do in and about the neighborhoods surrounding First Church. Most importantly, we need to be present and show our continued support for, not only the members of First Church, but the residents of this city of hospitality.

Watch for updates in Inside, on the Web and in Snapshot. Contact Rev. Kim or email to NewOrleans@ascboston.org.

Summer Worship Highlights

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's gather downstairs for coffee, comestibles, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like more information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table. And there's always something going on at the Social Action Table. All are welcome. Enjoy!

Building Renovations Update — 351 Boylston Street Entrance

The 351 Boylston Street entrance to the building is temporary closed due to deleading work. The chapel and Clarke Room will not be available for use during this period of time. We expect that this will take no longer than a week to 10 days and hope to have it re-opened as soon as possible.

Re-painting of the Perkins Room has been completed and we expect that work on a new floor surface will begin in mid to late August.

The renovations to the Perkins Room, Program Office and Chapel areas are funded through a grant from the Cedar Tree Foundation along with funds restricted to improvement of the Hunnewell Chapel.

Summer Notes

Arlington Street Church's Summer Calendar

During summer, life at Arlington Street Church slows down and *Inside Arlington Street Church* is published in this leaner format. The best way to stay up to date on the church calendar is to visit our web site. At the site, www.ASCBoston.org, there is an always-up-to-date calendar maintained by our facilities manager that lists all activities in the building.

Homecoming Sunday: September 13th

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie, and our choir are on vacation and will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 13th. Please bring a little water from your summer travels for our water communion celebration!

Memorial Service for Laurie Cote

There will be a memorial service for long-time former member of Arlington Street Church Laurie Cote, at Belmont Unitarian Universalist Church on August 16th at 2:00 pm. Former Minister Victor Carpenter will do the service.