

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), 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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Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2009

We covenant to affirm and promote the interdependence and dignity of every person; justice, equity, and compassion in all our relations; Acceptance of ourselves 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; A commitment to the interconnected web of all existence; and the sacredness of Earth, which we share and draw from many sources; 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 divine, the great and the unholdable; Words and deeds of prophetic challenge which challenge us to confront powers and structures of oppression, and the forces of violence, death, and ecological destruction; and the spiritual teachings, practices, and wisdom of all religions, which inspire us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves; Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the insights and inspiration of the results 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.

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Acceptance of one another
and encouragement to
spiritual growth in
our congregations.**

Directory

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NB: To reach any staff member by phone,
dial 617-536-7050. When prompted,
enter *8 and then their extension.

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. 9/27/2009

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 _____

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PRELUDE

Adagio in C major *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart* (1756 – 1791)
K. 356
Voluntary in D minor *John Stanley* (1712 – 1786)
Op. 5 No. 8
Molly Wood, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Second Principle *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)
Valerie Estle, soprano

We believe in justice, equity, and compassion in all relations.

CHALICE LIGHTING

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

***HYMN 188**

Come, Come, Whoever You Are

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 Lois Hartsough

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.”

There Will Be a Light *Ben Harper* (b. 1969), arr. *Buckles*
Valerie Estle, soprano; J. Jacob Krause, baritone

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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***HYMN 128**

For All That Is Our Life

SERMON

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

Wabi-Sabi Living

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Over My Head *Traditional*, arr. *Osby Hodges*
J. Jacob Krause, baritone

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

Prelude in E-flat Major *Julius Chaloff* (1892 – 1979)
Rodger Clinton Vine, piano

***HYMN 167**

Nothing But Peace is Enough

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

(sung twice; please join us!)

When You Walk From Here

text: *Linnea Good*

music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Buckles*

When you walk from here,
When you walk from here,
Walk with justice,
Walk with mercy,
And with God's humble care.

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

Hornpipe *G. F. Handel* (1685 – 1759)
from *Water Music*
Rodger Clinton Vine, organ

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you!

...and Service is Our Gift

Desmond Ravenstone, Lead Worship Coordinator
Lois Hartsough, Candles Coordinator
Mark MacDonnell, Treasurer
Nancy George, Assistant Treasurer
Peter Lowber, Lead Usher
Peter Zalewski, Lead Greeter



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