

Share the Plate: Larry Kessler, Founder of Boston's AIDS Action Committee

In 1983, Larry Kessler founded Boston's AIDS Action Committee after the first cases of the virus showed up here. AIDS Action served over half of all people diagnosed with AIDS in Massachusetts; educated generations about the disease; and secured progressive city, state, and federal AIDS policy.

Larry's storied career paralleled the trajectory of the AIDS epidemic, from the horrible days when it was a death sentence to now, when it can be managed, though not cured, with the help of drugs.

Larry retired in 2006, and then, seven years later, accepted the job of rebuilding the Boston Living Center for people living with AIDS. At the age of 73, with that success behind him, he retired again.

On May 4th, Larry was admitted to Beth Israel Hospital for a knee replacement. He contracted an infection, and has endured six readmissions to the hospital. He's in rehab now, learning to use a wheelchair, and can only come home after his house has been retrofitted with accessible accommodations. The price tag is north of \$50k.

Our gifts in the offering plate today will go to a GoFundMe campaign, established by former AIDS Action employees. There is less than \$5,700 left to raise and construction can begin! As one donor to Larry's campaign wrote, "This man has made a difference in all our lives ... Even if you have not been directly touched by AIDS, somebody you care about has. And this man helped."

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinators, *Art Nava & Darrell Waters*
Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*
Lead Greeter, *Nancy Perna*
Lead Usher, *Kevin Tyrrell*
Worship Coordinators, *Melissa Dlugolecki & Rev. George G. Whitehouse*
Assistant Treasurers, *Kevin Tyrrell & Nancy Perna*

Urban Church Awareness

Remember to be mindful of your belongings, and throughout the week, please help to keep the outside doors to the church secure.

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

Arlington Street Church is an historic congregation (1729) with a progressive faith. Long on the cutting-edge of movements for social justice, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every being. All are welcome!

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Prudential Committee is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church.

THE PRU MEMBERS ARE:

Al Ingram (chair) / Rick Cresta (vice-chair) / Joe Alen Dan Brotman / Lois Hartsough / Eve Lauria Deb Pontes / Ted Rudinsky / Connie Scanlon

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Art Nava (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Gaby Whitehouse (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk)

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.

TIFFANY WINDOWS

The 2015 restoration of Arlington Street Church's Tiffany stained glass windows was made possible through the generous support of this congregation, an anonymous donor, and the George B. Henderson Foundation. The guided tour program for our historic church and its unique Tiffany stained glass windows is now open. Tours are offered Monday through Saturday through October. More information is available at www.asctiffany.org.

ALLELUIA!

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

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."

Staff Directory

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Rev. George G. Whitehouse, *Minister at Large*
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Erica Rose Long
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Music

Mark David Buckles, *Director of Music*
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Rodger Clinton Vine, *Artist in Residence*

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Katie Elledge, *Soprano*
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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, 2017
HONORING EL DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS:
DAY OF THE DEAD

8 Unitarian Universalist PRINCIPLES

1. The inherent **WORTH** and **DIGNITY** of every being
2. **JUSTICE**, **EQUITY**, and **COMPASSION** in all relations
3. **ACCEPTANCE** of one another and encouragement of **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**
4. A free and responsible search for **TRUTH** and **MEANING**
5. The right of **CONSCIENCE** and the use of the **DEMOCRATIC** process
6. The goal of world community with **PEACE**, **LIBERTY**, and **JUSTICE** for all
7. **RESPECT** for the **INTERDEPENDENT WEB** of which we are a part
8. Building **BELOVED COMMUNITY** by dismantling racism and oppression within ourselves and our world

Arlington Street Church
Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

Gathered in love and service for justice and peace

Arlington Street Church, Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, 2017

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 end of greetings.

*Many thanks to the team who created our special altar for today:
Arturo Nava, Julia Simon, and Queen Cheryl Thieret*

PRELUDE

Nimrod, from Enigma Variations Edward Elgar (1857 – 1934)
Komm, süßer Tod, Komm selge Ruh J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)
(Come, sweet death, come, blessed rest)
Xuan He, organ

INTROIT

The Lone, Wild Bird text: Henry Richard McFadyen (1877 – 1964)
music: Southern Harmony (1835)
arr. David N. Johnson (1922 – 1987)

Katie Elledge, soprano

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight
Is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight.
And I am thine! I rest in thee.
Great spirit, come, and rest in me.

The ends of earth are in thy hand,
The sea's dark deep and far-off land.
And I am thine! I rest in thee.
Great spirit, come, and rest in me.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

PRESENTE Rev. George G. Whitehouse
Calling out the names of our loved ones who have died

*HYMN 1001

Breaths

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs (b. 1953)
text adapted: Crawford Harvie/Buckles
music arranged: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

Open my heart to be a sanctuary
All made holy, loved and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you

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.

*HYMN 128

For All That Is Our Life

SERMON

No Regrets Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Precious Lord, Take My Hand Rev. Thomas A. Dorsey (1899 – 1993)
Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

Soneto de la Noche text: Pablo Neruda (1904 – 1973)
music: Morten Lauridsen (b. 1943)

Quando yo muero quiero tus
manos en mis ojos:
quiero la luz y el trigo de tus
manos amadas
pasar una vez más sobre mí
su frescura:
sentir la suavidad que cambió
mi destino.

Quiero que vivas mientras yo,
dormido, te espero,
quiero que tus oídos sigan
oyendo el viento,
que huelas el aroma del mar que
amamos juntos
y que sigas pisando la arena que
pisamos.

Quiero que lo que amo siga vivo
y a ti te amé y canté sobre todas
las cosas,
por eso sigue tú floreciendo,
florida,
para que alcances todo lo que
mi amor te ordena,
para que se pasee mi sombra
por tu pelo,
para que así conozcan la razón
de mi canto.

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.

When I die, I want your hands
upon my eyes:
I want the light and the wheat of
your beloved hands
to pass their freshness over me
one more time:
I want to feel the gentleness that
changed my destiny.

I want you to live while I wait
for you, asleep,
I want your ears to still hear the
wind,
I want you to smell the scent of
the sea we both loved,
and to continue walking on the
sand we walked on.

I want all that I love to keep on
living,
and you whom I loved and sang
above all things
to keep flowering into full bloom,
so that you can touch all that my
love provides you,
so that my shadow may pass over
your hair,
so that all may know the reason
for my song.

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 years, the abundant support of our community has allowed Arlington Street Church to remain a beacon for liberal religious values in downtown Boston.

Your gifts in the Sunday plate sustain both the church and the larger community – half of the offering is shared with a partner in our mission of love, service, justice, and peace. As a convenient option, you may text the word GIVE to 617-300-0509 or scan the QR code.



Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

Wherever is Your Heart Tim Hanseroth and Brandi Carlile (b. 1981)
Emily Jaworski, vocals
Mark David Buckles, guitar and vocals
Clint Lee, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 103

For All the Saints

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)

When You Walk From Here text: Linnea Good
music: Tom Witt, arranged: Mark David Buckles

*When you walk from here, When you walk from here,
Walk with justice, Walk with mercy, walk humbly in God's care.*

POSTLUDE

Toccatina in D minor, BWV 565 J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)
Xuan He, organ

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

The annual Day of the Dead worship is an intergenerational service. Children and youth are invited to sit with their families or join Beth in the balcony to enjoy the service with sermon bingo, coloring, and some of our favorite stuffed animal friends. Kids will head up to the balcony as we sing *Breaths* and return during our closing hymn, *For All the Saints*.

Lena is available in the nursery to care for babies and small children. To find the nursery, go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery is on your left before the stairs.

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