

# Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – DECEMBER 13, 2015

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

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 name tag(s) for Sunday worship. (Name tags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)
- How did you hear about Arlington Street?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**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
- Social Action  Children's Religious Education
- Adult Religious Education & Connections (ASC's small group ministry)
- Young Adult Group  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!**

**At Your Service:**

- \* If you would like a large print order of service or hymnal or a Braille hymnal
- \* If you are having trouble hearing the service and would appreciate an assistive listening device
- \* If you have mobility challenges and would like assistance

*Any usher will be happy to help!*

**Service is Our Gift**

Candles Coordinator, *Kate Birney*  
Candles Chaplain, *Patrick Cooleybeck*  
Lead Greeter, *David Scanlon*  
Lead Usher, *Ellen Spencer*  
Worship Coordinator, *Melissa Dlugolecki*  
Assistant Treasurers, *Alma Antoniotti and Gail Jennes*

**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:**

*Tina Rose (chair) / Mary Marcel (vice chair)*  
*Rick Cresta / Alex Frost / Connie Scanlon*  
*Dave Erbe / Eve Lauria / Kerry Marshall /*  
*Thomas Simers*

**OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:**

*Susie Nacco (treasurer) / Tori Bell & Gaby*  
*Whitehouse (co-moderators) / Doc Kinne (clerk) /*  
*Thomas Simers (assistant 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.

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING**

Children's Religious Education begins every Sunday in the sanctuary. Children are sung out near the beginning of the service and gather downstairs for CRE. Children rejoin their families in the sanctuary to end the service. Just off the Hunnewell Chapel is a nursery for fussy babies and their caregivers. The service is piped in, and a rocker, changing table and supplies are available. For information about our CRE program, please contact the church office or see our religious educator.

**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**

**Ministers**

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**Music**

**Mark David Buckles, Director of Music**  
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**Choir Section Leaders**

**Julie Gregorio, soprano**  
**Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano**  
**Daniel Rosensweig, tenor**  
**Justin Hicks, bass**

**Children's Religious Education**

**Laura Evonne Steinman, Religious Educator**  
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**Church Office:**

Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Phone: 617-536-7050

**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.



**ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH**  
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

ADVENT 3: JOY  
MITTEN TREE SUNDAY

7 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

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, DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

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

## PRELUDE

Christmas Day in da Moarnin'/My Darling Asleep

*Traditional Scottish*

The Wexford Carol ..... *Traditional Irish*

Within a Mile of Dublin/The Morning Star/The Silver Spear

*Traditional Irish*

Karen Burciaga, fiddle

Daniel Meyers, uilleann pipes, whistle

Matthew Wright, bouzouki

## INTROIT

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

text: Anonymous, translation: *Theodore Baker* (1851 - 1934)

music: *Michael Praetorius* (1571 - 1621)

## WELCOME AND CHALICE LIGHTING

*The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith*

**KINDLING THE CHANUKIAH** ..... The Lloyd-Farber Family

## LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH ~ ADVENT 3

Joy ..... The Tai-Dawson Family

## GREETINGS

### \*HYMN 235

Deck the Hall.....

### \*DRESSING THE MITTEN TREE!

Laura Evonne Steinman & Children's Religious Education program

*All are welcome to bring their gifts to the Mitten Tree!*

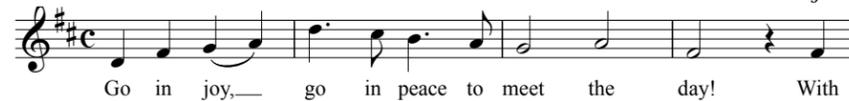
Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree ..... *Johnny Marks* (1909 - 1985)

Nicholas Place, piano

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children's Benediction ..... text: *Barbara Pescan*

music: *Bart Bradfield*



*At this time, all children are welcome to join the Children's Religious Education program!*

## COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

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, by clicking on "Worship."

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

Emily Jaworski, mezzo soprano

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.

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 225

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Julie Metcalf, violin

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

Making Room

## SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

## ANTHEM

Psallite, unigenito (Singt und klingt)

*Michael Praetorius* (1571 - 1621)

Karen Burciaga, violin

Daniel Meyers, recorder

Matthew Wright, lute

## 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. Thank you for your generosity!

## OFFERTORY

Gartan Mother's Lullaby ..... *Traditional Irish*

Fanny Power ..... *Turlough O'Carolan* (1670 - 1738)

Karen Burciaga, fiddle

Daniel Meyers, uilleann pipes, whistle

Matthew Wright, bouzouki

## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

### \*HYMN 226

People Look East

### \*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

### \*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)

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.

## POSTLUDE

The Piper in the Meadow Straying/Christmas Eve .... *Traditional Irish*

## Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

If you have arrived today with a baby or small child, there is a nursery/playroom with the service piped in for your pleasure. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit, the room will be on your left before the stairs.

- Pre-schoolers: Meet Taan and Allie in the Hunnewell Chapel
- Kindergarten-2nd graders: Spirit Play Group ~ Festival of Lights Meet Lale and Jessica in the Perkins Room
- 3rd-6th graders: UU Superheros ~ Christmas Carols Meet with Sarah F. and Erica in the Carol Smith Room
- 7th graders and up: Youth Group ~ Friday Night Supper Painting Meet with Laura Evonne in the Parish Hall

If you are interested in volunteering with CRE or would like to learn more about our program, please email [cre@ascboston.org](mailto:cre@ascboston.org).