

Welcome to Arlington Street Church

TODAY – DECEMBER 30, 2018

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 _____

Email _____

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 Email No preference

I would like to know more about:

- Membership Classes/Joining ASC Choir/Music
- Social Action Children's Religious Education
- Adult Religious Education (Zen Center, The Wednesdays Literary Salon, Kundalini Yoga, Intersectional Book Group. etc.)
- Young Adult Group Other _____

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinators, *Patrick Cooleybeck*
Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*
Lead Greeter, *Jenn Britt*
Lead Usher, *Philip Roberts*
Worship Coordinator, *Darrell Waters*
Assistant Treasurer, *Philip Roberts & Deb Vittner*

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!

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

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:

Lois Hartsough (chair) / Deb Pontes (co-chair) / Joe Alen / Dan Brotman / Al Ingram / Reese Millican / Alan Rodgers / Philip Roberts / Kevin Tyrrell

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

Liz Teixeira (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 closed for the winter and will open in April 2019. Please visit www.asctiffany.org for more information.

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

Parish Ministers

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie, *Senior Minister*
Rev. George G. Whitehouse, *Minister at Large*
Dave Egan, *Director of Family Ministry*
Rev. Erica Rose Long, *Assistant Director of Family Ministry*
Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital

Community Ministers

Dr. Arthur Judge, *Hospital Chaplain, retired*
Rev. Fred Small, *Minister for Climate Justice*
Rev. Joanna Lubkin, *Chaplain, Wellesley College*
Rev. Vera O'Brien, *Chaplain, HopeHealth*
Sandwich and Martha's Vineyard

All staff members may be reached through the church office at 617-536-7050
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Intern Ministers

Ali Jablonsky, *Massachusetts General Hospital*
Rev. Liz Weber, *Massachusetts General Hospital*

Music

Mark David Buckles, *Director of Music*
Kelly Lenahan, *Collaborative Pianist and Organist*
Rodger Clinton Vine, *Artist in Residence*

Choir Section Leaders

Ann-Marie Iancoviello, *Soprano*
Jennifer Soloway, *Alto*
Daniel Rosensweig, *Tenor*
John Bitsas, *Baritone*

Administration

Jeffrey Bouchard, *Congregational Administrator*
Adam Berman, *Bookkeeper*
Brad Nobles, *Sexton*
Laurinda O'Connor, *Publications*

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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 30TH, 2018
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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, DECEMBER 30TH, 2018

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.

PRELUDE

Selections from Kinderszenen Op. 15
Robert Schumann (1810 - 1856)
Daniel Rosensweig, piano

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

INTROIT

Look to the Rainbow text: *E.Y. Harburg* (1896 - 1881)
from *Finian's Rainbow* music: *Burton Lane* (1912 - 1997)
Jennifer Soloway, soprano

***HYMN 347**

Gather the Spirit

COMMUNITY CANDLES OF SORROW & JOY

Sanctuary *John W. Thompson* and *Randy Scruggs* (b. 1953)
adaptation: *Crawford Harvie/Buckles*
arrangement: *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	El amor es el espíritu
of this congregation,	de nuestra congregación
And service is our gift.	Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
This is our great covenant:	Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
To dwell together in peace,	Convivir en paz,
To speak our truths in love,	Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
And to help one another.	Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

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

***HYMN 21**

For the Beauty if the Earth

SERMON


Eleven Words Rev. Vera O'Brien, Affiliated Community Minister

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

CANTICLE

Brave *Sara Bareilles* (b. 1979) and *Jack Antonoff* (b. 1984)
Jennifer Soloway, soprano

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 289 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

Prelude Op. 28, No. 15 *Frédéric Chopin* (1810 - 1849)
Daniel Rosensweig, piano

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

***HYMN 6**

Just as Long as I Have Breath

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

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

Where You Go (I Will Go) *Shoshana Jedwab* (b. 1964)
choral arrangement: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go
Where you go I will go, beloved
Where you go I will go

'Cause your people are my people
Your people are mine
Your people are my people
Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Prelude Op. 28, No. 4 *Frédéric Chopin* (1810 - 1849)
Daniel Rosensweig, piano

Today in Family Ministry

Thank you for coming this morning! There is no formal Family Ministry programming today.

If you have arrived with a baby or small child who becomes restless, you are welcome to enjoy our nursery/playroom. Go through the leather door to the right of the pulpit and cross through the chapel. The nursery will be on your left before the stairs. The service is piped in for your listening pleasure!

In the Pulpit Today

Rev. Vera O'Brien is an interfaith chaplain at HopeHealth and serves patients at the McCarthy Care Center in Sandwich and on Martha's Vineyard.

She was ordained at Arlington Street Church in 2007 while serving as our Lifespan Religious Educator.

Share the Plate: Friday Night Supper Program

The Friday Night Supper Program was established here at Arlington Street in 1984. Since then, every Friday night, they have provided nutritious, home-cooked meals to Boston's hungry and unhoused people.

Through the end of the year, our Share the Plate offering will be given to the Friday Night Supper Program. They will be serving a festive holiday meal and distributing warm clothing and goodies to their guests, and will continue to provide hot meals and outerwear throughout the winter. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Rev. Kim, Dave Egan, Director of Family Ministry; Mark David Buckles, Director of Music; and the Arlington Street Choir are off today. They look forward to seeing you next week!