Today in Family Ministry

Today, after the Children's Blessing, Rev. Erica and our children will gather in the Perkins Room for a chalice lighting, a song, meditation, and joys and sorrows. They will read a story together and perform some short skits about how we might care for people in our communities when they are going through a hard time. The children will return to the sanctuary at the end of the service to join the Arlington Street Choir for the Recessional.

Our Coming of Age Group is meeting during the worship service with Rev. Liz and Dave in the Program Room. Coming of Age will meet regularly from February through May on Sundays from 12:30-2:00, and will culminate in our big Coming of Age worship service at the end of the church year! If any adult Arlington Street member is interested in becoming a Coming of Age mentor, helping to guide one of our youth through this process, please contact Dave at degan@ascboston.org.

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!

February Share the Plate: Renewal House in Boston

Since 1980, Renewal House has provided temporary emergency shelter and advocacy services to individuals and families escaping domestic violence. Renewal House was one of the first domestic violence shelters in the state to provide shelter for male as well as female survivors, and is sought out by other agencies for its expertise in attending to the spiritual needs of survivors. Renewal House works closely with other programs that serve the Queer communities, as well as those that serve elders and individuals with disabilities, to support these underserved populations.

Among its many programs, Renewal House offers a 24-hour hotline, bilingual Spanish and English advocacy, support groups and pastoral counseling, English as a second language (ESL) classes and job training, and community outreach education. For more information, please visit www.uuum.org. Thank you for your generosity!

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, Alison Jablonsky
Candles Chaplain, Art Judge
Lead Greeter, Queen Cheryl
Lead Usher, Philip Roberts
Worship Coordinator, Melissa Dlugolecki
Assistant Treasurers, Philip Roberts & Scott Schroeder

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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

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Rev. George G. Whitehouse, Minister at Large

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Rev. Erica Rose Long

Assistant Director of Family Ministry Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital

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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.

Old Church Awareness

Please avoid stepping on the heating grates!



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 2019 Go Pats!

O Unitarian Universalist O PRINCIPLES

- 1. The inherent WORTH and DIGNITY of every being
- 2. JUSTICE, EQUITY, and COMPASSION in all relations
- 3. ACCEPTANCE of one another and encouragment of SPIRITUAL GROWTH
- A free and responsible search for TRUTH and MEANING
- 5. The right of CONSCIENCE and the use of the DEMOCRATIC process
- 5. The goal of world community with PEACE,

 LIBERTY, and JUSTICE for all
- 7. RESPECT for the INTERDEPENDENT WEB of which we are a part
- . Building BELOVED COMMUNITY by dismantling racism and oppression within ourselves and our world

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 2019

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

Introit

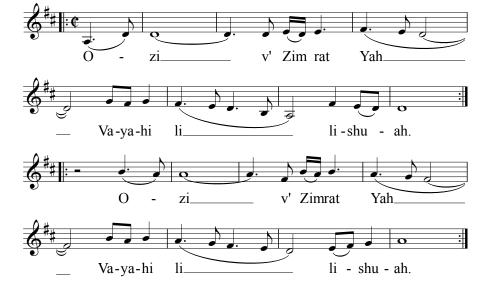
We believe in a free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*Hymn

Ozi v'Zimrat Yah text: *Psalms* 118:14, *Exodus* 15:2 music: *Rabbi Shefa Gold*



My Strength (balanced) with the Song of G-d will be my Salvation.

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

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

from A Very Cellular Song arrangement: Mark David Buckles (b. 1980)

May the long - time_ sun shine up - on_ you,



At this time, all children are welcome to leave with Dave Egan, Director of Family Ministry!

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

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 271

Come Down, O Love Divine

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

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 (all texted gifts support the church operations) or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

OFFERTORY

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*HYMN 1028
The Fire of Commitment

*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

*RECESSIONAL (sung twice; please join in!)

Your people are mine Your people are my people Your divine, my divine

POSTLUDE

Sonata No. 8 in D Major, K. 311 W. A. Mozart (1756 - 1791)

I. Allegro con spirito

Kelly Lenahan, piano

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