April Share the Plate: Arlington Street's Boston Marathon Charity Runners

Our own Nikki DeRome, Melissa Dlugolecki, and John O'Connor will be running Boston tomorrow!

Nikki will be running for The Hoyt Foundation, which aspires to build the individual character, self-confidence, and self-esteem of young people with disabilities through inclusion in all facets of daily life. Nikki runs as a member of Team Hoyt, founded by Dick and Rick Hoyt, the father-son wheelchair team that has inspired thousands of people, both disabled and able-bodied. Nikki runs in memory of her mother, Denise DeRome.

Melissa will be running for Team Leyden, raising funds for Boston Children's Hospital. Named in memory of Melissa's infant daughter, Team Leyden's mission is to positively impact others in the face of adversity and to help fuel research to prevent cases such as Leyden's while supporting the unmatched quality of care they provide.

John will be running for Next Step, which cares for young adults (ages 16 to 29), with chronic or terminal diagnoses.

The plate will be shared with The Hoyt Foundation, Team Leyden, and Next Step on April 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th.

Thank you for your generous support!

Service is Our Gift

Candles Coordinator, *Ali Jablonsky*Candles Chaplain, *Art Judge*Lead Greeter, *Jenn Britt*Lead Usher, *Shana Rudinsky*Worship Coordinator, *John O'Connor*Assistant Treasurer, *Paul Babbitt*

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

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 begins on April 28th and runs 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."

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Rev. George G. Whitehouse, Minister at Large Beth Robbins

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Sunday, April 15th, 2018 Happy Patriots Day! Happy Boston Marathon!

O Unitarian Universalist O PRINCIPLES

- 1. The inherent WORTH and DIGNITY of every being
- 2. JUSTICE, EQUITY, and COMPASSION in all relations
- S. 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

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, APRIL 15TH, 2018

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candles Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candles Cards are collected until the end of greetings.

PRELUDE

Keshet L'Vana (A White Rainbow) .	Josef Hadar (1926 - 2006)
A Simple Song, from Mass	. Leonard Bernstein (1918 - 1990)
Aprile	
Daniel Padgett, piano	

Introit

WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

*Hymn

Filled with Loving Kindness text: *Traditional Buddhist Meditation* melody: *Anonymous* harmonization: *Mark David Buckles* (b. 1980)

May I be filled with loving kindness. May I be well. May I be peaceful, and at ease, and may I be happy.

May you ...

May we ...

May all ...

BLESSING OF THE RUNNERS

All Boston Marathon runners are invited to join Rev. Kim in the center aisle.

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 86

Blessed Spirit of My Life

SERMON

Attention and Devotion Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

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 or scan the QR code.

Thank you for your stewardship and support!

Covenant Renewal #SoMuchMore ~ Art Nava

OFFERTORY

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

*Hymn

Swimming to the Other Side

text and music: Pat Humphries (b. 1960)

Chorus

We are living 'neath the great Big Dipper We are washed by the very same rain We are swimming in the stream together Some in power and some in pain We can worship this ground we walk on Cherishing the beings that we live beside Loving spirits will live forever We're all swimming to the other side

I am alone and I am searching,
Hungering for answers in my time
I am balanced at the brink of wisdom
I'm impatient to receive a sign
I move forward with my senses open
Imperfection, it be my crime
In humility, I will listen
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

On this journey through thoughts and feelings
Binding intuition, my head, my heart
I am gathering the tools together.
I'm preparing to do my part
All of those who have come before me
Band together and be my guide
Loving lessons that I will follow,
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

When we get there we'll discover
All of the gifts we've been given to share
Have been with us since life's beginning
And we never noticed they were there
We can balance at the brink of wisdom
Never recognizing that we've arrived
Loving spirits will live together
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

Loving spirits will live forever We're all swimming to the other side

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE

Today in Children's Religious Education (CRE)

For today's intergenerational worship, 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 *Blessed Spirit of My Life* and return during our closing hymn, *Swimming to the Other Side*.

Allie and Lena are 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.

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