

Buddha's Belly ~ The Buddhist Book Discussion

Tuesday, June 26th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

This summer, Rita McCullough will lead Buddha's Belly every fourth Tuesday in June, July, and August from 6 PM to 7 PM. For the June meeting, please read Silvia Boorstein's book *It's Easier Than You Think*, chapters one and two (through page 61).

Arlington Street Zen Center will start up again on September 11th!

Kundalini Yoga Class

Wednesday, June 27th ~ 6:00 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

Experience fun exercises and poses, breathing techniques, chanting, meditation, and deep relaxation in this unique class. Moving energy through your body brings positive change and growth. There will be a \$10 charge that will go to the church.

Young Adult Game Night

Saturday, June 30th ~ 7:00 PM, Parish Hall

Join the Young Adults at Arlington Street Church for a night of board games beginning at 7:00. Come at 6:00 PM to go out to eat!

Homecoming Sunday

Sunday, September 9th ~ 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Our Senior Minister, Reverend Kim K. Crawford Harvie, and our choir are on summer vacation and will return for Homecoming Sunday, September 9th. Please bring a little water from your summer travels for our water communion celebration!

Whether a long-time member, a regular worshipper, or a first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you to this morning's service.

The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys. Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth.

Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our joys and concerns, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts. Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience together here is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

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 MEMBERS ARE:

*Art Nava & Deb Pontes (co-chairs) / Carmen Griggs
Richard Marshall / Shane McBride / Karl Paulnack
Ellen Payzant / Harlow Robinson / Bob Sessions*

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

*Dan Moon (council chair) / Samuel Gloyd &
Diana Müller (co-moderators) / David McClain
(clerk) / Susie Nacco (treasurer)*

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 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Children's Religious Education Program is on hiatus and will resume in September.

Fussy babies and their parents are invited to the nursery just off the Hunnewell Chapel, where a rocker, changing table, and supplies are available, and the service is piped in.

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

Discounted parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage. Coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Street parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."



ARLINGTON
STREET CHURCH
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, JUNE 24TH, 2012

Welcome to Summer Services

PRELUDE

Mandolin Concerto in C Major, Movement 1 Excerpt
Molly Wood, piano *Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Hymn 188, Come, Come, Whoever You Are

CHALICE LIGHTING

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

*HYMN 131

Love Will Guide Us

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."

Spirit of Life (Hymn 123)

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| Spirit of Life, come unto me. | Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí. |
| Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion. | Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión. |
| Blow in the wind, rise in the sea; | Sopla al volar, sube en la mar; |
| Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice. | Hasta moldear la justicia de la vida |
| Roots hold me close; wings set me free; | Arráigame, libérame, |
| Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me. | Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí. |

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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 1023

Building Bridges (in the teal hymnal)

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. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge.

OFFERTORY

Andaluz from *12 Spanish Dances* Enrique Granados (1867-1916)
Molly Wood, piano

SERMON

Leather and Grace Desmond Ravenstone

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

INTERLUDE

TALK-BACK

*HYMN 407

We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table

*BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE

Galante from *12 Spanish Dances* Enrique Granados (1867-1916)
Molly Wood, piano

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

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE. THANK YOU!

Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Desmond Ravenstone
Worship Coordinator, Ann Clarke
Candles Coordinator, Arthur Judge
Lead Greeter, Dennis Haley
Lead Usher, Dave Erbe
Assistant Treasurers, Nancy George & Dave Erbe
Projection, JP LaFond

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ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 24TH, 2012

All Are Welcome

**WE ARE GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US THIS MORNING FOR WORSHIP!
THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH
AFFIRMS THE INHERENT WORTH AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON.
WE CELEBRATE UNITY IN DIVERSITY.**

This morning, we invite you to:

- * Fill in the Welcome Card and place it in the collection plate;
- * Join us for coffee and a light lunch in the Parish Hall;
- * Introduce yourself to the service leaders, and;
- * Please come back again soon!

Today's Speaker

DESMOND RAVENSTONE has been a member of Arlington Street Church since 2007, serving on the Worship Committee and Membership Team, coordinator of the Sacred Eros group, and as one of our delegates to the Mass Bay District. He frequently writes on the intersection of sexuality and spirituality, especially on his blog "Ravenstone's Reflections."

Speaking on July 1st

What Fills Your Heart? Laura Evonne Steinman

LAURA EVONNE STEINMAN, believes that our lives are nurtured and transformed by creating art together. She is the Religious Educator and Artist in Residence here at Arlington Street Church. When she is not involved at ASC, she is busy volunteering with her cat and dog, gardening, creating art with community members, writing snail mail, and cooking at her co-op in Somerville. She is a life long Unitarian Universalist from a mixed faith background and an activist in the every day.



Summer Worship Highlights

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall
Let's all gather downstairs for beverages, a light lunch, and community!

Arlington Street Church's Summer Calendar

During summer, life at Arlington Street Church slows down and *Inside Arlington Street Church* is published in this leaner format. Until Homecoming Sunday Service on September 9th, the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, www.ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar". Jeff Bouchard, our facilities manager, keeps it current.

Young Adult Discussion: The Value of Ritual

Today ~ 12:45 PM, Stage Right Room

Gratitude lists, nightly prayer, opening sporting events with the national anthem, saying grace, meditation, weekly worship, opening/closing meetings with ritualized practices, saying "Bless you" or "Gesundheit" when someone sneezes...

Let's have a conversation about the rituals we choose to include or to discard from our daily lives, and what value we see from those choices. When we "save time" by discarding "useless" ritual, do we lose anything? Gain anything? When we "add value" by following "meaningful" ritual, do we gain anything? Lose anything?

Think about some rituals that we don't understand as well as those that move us. We'll come together to share our thoughts and see what impact our conversation might have on our lives as individuals, as spiritual companions, and as citizens of the commonwealth and the world. For more information, see <http://on.fb.me/value-of-ritual>.

English as a Second Language (ESL) for Adults

Monday, June 25th and Wednesday June 27th ~ 10:00 AM, Perkins Room

Learn or improve your English! The class meets twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays. Students practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Topics include general conversation, cooking, and holiday events, as well as grammar and pronunciation. The class is taught by Ann Troise, a member of Arlington Street Church, who has been certified to teach ESL by the Boston Academy of English.

Membership Team Meeting

Monday, June 25th ~ 6:00 PM, Perkins Room

Are you interested in reaching out to invite others to attend Arlington Street Church, or in welcoming those who already attend to become members? Do you have social media, advertising or community building experience? Or, perhaps you are interested in how Arlington Street Church structures and conducts its membership process? If so, please come to the meeting and learn how to get involved.

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