

### **Visitors Center Is Open for Tours!**

Sundays I:00-4:00 PM and Monday through Saturday from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM (closed Tuesdays)

#### **Greeters Needed This Summer!**

Do you want to meet people from all over the world? Would you enjoy sharing the beauty of our Tiffany Windows with others? If so, consider becoming a volunteer greeter with our Visitors Center! Greeters serve as friendly faces at the Arlington Street entrance, welcoming visitors and receiving donations. No experience is necessary, and scheduling is flexible! If you are interested or want to learn more, please contact Alissa Butler at abutler@ascboston.org.



### **GAYLA: A Retreat for Men Who Love Men**

Info and registration at www.ferrybeach.org/GAYLA

Celebrating 40 years at Ferry Beach in Saco, Maine! July 14-21; \$150 first-timer discount. Or come for "DAYLA: GAYLA for a Day," Sunday July 15, 1:30-10 pm, featuring a special concert by The Kinsey Sicks-America's Favorite Dragapella Beautyshop Quartet.



### Morning Light Concert Series returns this Fall!

Saturdays, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, October 20<sup>th</sup>, November 10<sup>th</sup> ~ 11:30 AM, Sanctuary

Back by popular demand: the wonderful Boston Chamber Music Society! Last season, our audiences included local fans and visitors from all over the world who made a concert at Arlington Street a highlight of their weekend in Boston. We take it for granted that we can see the light coming through our magnificent stained glass windows every Sunday. Now let's share the experience with chamber music lovers!

Tickets: Arlington Street members receive a 20% discount off the ticket price (tickets are \$29, if purchased before September 9, and \$34 afterwards). Enter discount code "ASC20" during check out when ordering from www.bostonchambermusic.org, or call the BCMS office at 617.349.0086.



## **Share your Wedding Pictures with Us!**

Did you get married at Arlington Street Church? If so, we'd love to hear from you! We're launching a new weddings website to increase bookings and would love to share your pictures and stories. If you'd like to help, please contact Alissa at abutler@ascboston.org.

### June Share the Plate: Summer Camp

Each summer, our own Rev. George Whitehouse, Minister at Large, works with Hawthorne Youth and Community Center and Healthy Boston to get kids and youth off the city streets and into the woods. Our gifts today will be directed to support their life-changing work. Thank you for your generosity!

#### 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.

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 in now open and runs through October. More information is available at www.asctiffany.org.

#### ALLELUIA!

**TIFFANY WINDOWS** 

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

**Rev. Beth Robbins** 

Interim Director of Family Ministry

**Erica Rose Long** 

Interim Assistant Director of Family Ministry Chaplain, Massachusetts General Hospital

**Community Ministers** 

Dr. Arthur Judge

Hospital Chaplain, retired

**Rev. Clyde Grubbs** 

Spiritual Director

**Rev. Fred Small** 

Minister for Climate Justice

Rev. Joanna Lubkin

Chaplain, Wellesley College

Rev. Vera O'Brien

Chaplain, Brigham and Women's Hospital

All staff members may be reached through the church office at 617-536-7050 Office@ASCBoston.org • www.ASCBoston.org **Intern Ministers** 

Ali Jablonsky

Massachusetts General Hospital

Karlene Griffiths Sekou

Black Lives Matter, Boston

Liz Weber

Music

UU Church of Reading, Massachusetts

Mark David Buckles, Director of Music

Daniel Padgett, Collaborative Pianist

Rodger Clinton Vine, Artist in Residence

**Choir Section Leaders** 

Katie Elledge, Soprano

Katherine Maysek, Alto

Daniel Rosensweig, Tenor

John Bitsas, Baritone

Administration

Jeffrey Bouchard, Congregational Administrator

Adam Berman, Bookkeeper

Brad Nobles, Sexton

Laurinda O'Connor, Publications

### Service is Our Gift

Guest Speaker, Melissa Długolecki Worship Coordinator, Lucy Humphrey Candles Coordinator, Art Judge Pianist, Jason Holmes Song Leader, Ali Jablonsky

Lead Greeter, Rachel Corey Lead Usher, Deb Vittner Assistant Treasurers. Nancy George & Paul Babbitt



SUNDAY, JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 Welcome to Summer Services

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

#### **PRELUDE**

Improvisation on There is a Balm in Gilead Traditional African American Spiritual

### WELCOME, CHALICE LIGHTING, AND GREETINGS

Brene Brown

Experience and success don't give you easy passage through the middle space of struggle.

Jason Holmes, piano

They only grant you a little grace, a grace that whispers "This is part of the process. Stay the course."

Experience doesn't create even a single spark of light in the darkness of the middle space.

It only instills in you a bit of faith in your ability to navigate the dark.

The middle is messy, but it's also where the magic happens.

The flaming chalice is the symbol of our free faith.

#### \*Hymn 168

One More Step

## **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: Crawford Harvie/Buckles music arranged: 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.

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.

El amor es el espíritu

de nuestra congregación

### \*HYMN 354

We Laugh, We Cry

#### SERMON

Challenge Accepted ...... Melissa Dlugolecki

#### SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

#### **OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY**

During the offertory, you are invited to open your heart and engage in the spiritual practice of generosity. For 288 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**

This Little Light of Mine ............ Traditional African American Spiritual Jason Holmes, piano

#### PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

\*HYMN 128

For All That Is Our Life

### \*Benediction and Extinguishing the Chalice

Socrates (c. 470 – 399 BCE)

The Secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new.

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

Where You 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**

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah! ............ Traditional African American Spiritual Jason Holmes, piano



# News from the Soul of Sunday

SUNDAY, JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

#### All Are Welcome

#### We are glad you have joined us this morning for worship!

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

Melissa Dlugolecki is a member of the Arlington Street Worship Committee. She is mother of late daughter Leyden Saige Cournoyer, who lost her life at Boston Children's Hospital in 2014. Melissa is passionate about spreading Leyden's light to positively impact others and support them through their own life challenges and adversities. She is the founder of life-coaching business, Thrive and co-founder of women's health, fitness and gut-health coaching, called MOVE. Melissa is a yoga instructor and runs the Boston Marathon for Boston Children's Hospital each year.



### Speaking on Sunday, July Ist

For Most This Amazing Day: A Mini-Retreat ...... Liz Weber

How do beauty and wonder lead to gratitude? Come explore this theme through poem, song, silence, and sharing as we enjoy a "mini-retreat" together during the worship hour. Feel free to bring a journal if you have one.

**Liz Weber** is a longtime Arlington Street member and a soon-to-be ordained Unitarian Universalist minister. Until recently, she was the Ministerial Intern at the UU Church of Reading. She's excited to return to the ASC pulpit! Liz is also a nationally certified American Sign Language interpreter.

#### **SUMMER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS**

## **Summertime at Arlington Street**

The program staff and the Arlington Street Choir are away for the summer, but will be back for worship on September 9th. Today and every Sunday through Labor Day, we are grateful to our musicians, our preachers, the volunteer team, and Ali Jablonski, our Summer Student Minister, for this beautiful worship service!

Next to the Hunnewell Chapel, there is a nursery for restless babies and their caregivers. This space offers a rocking chair, changing table with supplies, and a live audio feed of the service.

Should you need a minister over the summer, please call the church office at 617-536-7050. The admin staff is always here for you; Jeffrey, and Brad are glad to help! Happy summer, one and all!

During summer the best way to stay informed on all of the church's activities is to visit our website, ASCBoston.org and click on "Calendar." Jeff Bouchard, our congregational administrator/ facilities manager, keeps it current.



# Coffee Hour

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



### **Uncomfortable Conversations about Race**

Today ~ 12:30 - 1:30 PM, Hunnewell Chapel

The Transformation Team for Racial Justice offers this time and space for facilitated discussion and continuing conversation about developing an antiracist worldview. We hold these conversations periodically at Arlington Street Church. All are welcome and no RSVP is needed. For more information, email transformation@ ascboston.org.



Kundalini Yoga Class
Every Wednesday ~ 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 is a \$10 charge that goes to the church. First class is free!



## **Bethel's Community Carnival**

Saturday, June  $30^{th} \sim 11:00 \text{ AM} - 4:00 \text{ PM}$ , 177 Harvard St.. Dorchester

Bethel Pentecostal Tabernacle Church, a Fund-A-Need partner of Arlington Street Church, holds a Carnival each June to provide fun and resources for their neighborhood. They invite us to help them do this work. If you are interested in volunteering, for any amount of time, please email office@ascboston.org or talk to Laura Pattison or Queen Cheryl.



Buddha's Belly: Arlington Street's Buddhist book group is reading Chögyam Trungpa's Shambhala: The Sacred Path of the Warrior. All are welcome to join in the discussion on Tuesday, September 11th at 6:00 pm.

Intersectional Book Group: Join Rev. Kim for the eighth in our series of occasional discussions about books with intersectional themes. Our next book is When They Call You a Terrorist: A Black Lives Matter Memoir, by Asha Bandele and Patrisse Cullors. We'll meet to discuss it on Monday, September 17th at 5:30 pm.

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