

# Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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**September 20, 2015**  
**8:30 AM Service**

*Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka*

*Visitation Pastor, Reverend Reinhard Kruse*

*Deacons, Nikki Kelley Kleinberg,*

*David Krueger, Paul (Nick) Nicholas*

*Deaconess, Darlene Di Domineck*

*Music Director, Adam Haines*

*Secretaries, Carla Brickhouse, Ebele Chizea,*

*Anne McCormick*

*Building Supervisor, Frank Jones*

*Sextons, Russell Whaley/Devon Goodwin/  
Joe Kalil/Toni McIlwaine,/LaDonna Cuffee*

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17th Sunday after Pentecost

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**Worship Leader:** Remone Mundle

**Nursery Attendant:** Samantha Nigrelli

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**PRELUDE**

**OPENING STATEMENT**

**PRAISE SINGING**

“This is The Day”

“Lord I Lift Your Name on High”

“I Love You Lord / All Hail King Jesus”

**OPENING PRAYER**

**WELCOME TO ARCH STREET & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**JOYS & CONCERNS**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**REGISTRATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Russ Alexander

Joshua 6:15-21

James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a

**SPECIAL MUSIC** “It is Well With My Soul”

**GOSPEL** Mark 9:30-37

**SERMON** “Discovery Myths & the Desire to Acquire”  
David Krueger

**CLOSING HYMN** “I Surrender All”

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

**8:30 am Guest Musician:** Vincent Rutland

# Calendar

## September 20, 2015 to September 28, 2015

- SUN** 9/20 8:30 Worship Service, Chapel  
9:45 Children's Sunday School  
9:45 Adult Sunday School  
9:45 Choir rehearsal, choir loft  
11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary  
12:00 Mission Festival, Nichols Hall  
12:20 to 3 Deaconess Darlene, Sanctuary  
2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service  
3:00 Service to bless the Park  
5:30 Grace Café Devotions  
6:00 Grace Café
- MON** 9/21 1:00 Tea & Talk  
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall  
7:00 Freedom Band Rehearsal
- TUE** 9/22 12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
- WED** 9/23 6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
- THUR** 9/24 5:00 Diversity Group, Chapel
- SUN** 9/27 8:30 **No** Worship Service, Chapel  
9:45 **No** Children's Sunday School  
9:45 **No** Adult Sunday School  
9:45 Choir rehearsal, choir loft  
11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary  
12:00 Get Acquainted Time, Chapel  
12:00 to 3 **No** Deaconess Darlene, Sanctuary  
2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service,  
4:00 View of Papal Mass on large screen in Sanctuary  
5:30 Grace Café Devotions  
6:00 Grace Café
- MON** 9/28 1:00 Tea & Talk  
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall

Please see the events page on our web site: [www.archstreetumc.org](http://www.archstreetumc.org)  
for the full calendar of happenings.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## **Community Forums Series**

Arch Street UMC is sponsoring a series of community forums during the 2015-2016 season led by deacons and the deaconess in our church. They will address important issues and take place on Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. A light supper and childcare will be provided.

### **September 23: Maternal and Child Health**

Deaconess Darlene DiDomineck and Christ Servant Wilhelmina Young will host this important forum. They will provide a basic overview of the maternal and infant mortality crisis in the United States. Participants will learn the definition of maternal and child health and how to utilize community-based strategies to improve health. Today in the United States, a baby born in Baltimore, Maryland, is more likely to die than a baby born in West Bank, Palestine. A woman giving birth in Bronx, New York, is more likely to die than a woman giving birth in Syria or Iraq. Why does the United States have such high maternal and child mortality rates? What can people of faith do to improve health outcomes? **Join us to learn and act in our community!**

### **Changes / Cancellations for Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup> Due to the World Meeting of Families**

Due to the World Meeting of Families (WMOF) on September 27, 2015 **there will only be an 11:00am service. The 8:30 am Service, Children's, Adult Bible School, and Deaconess Darlene have all been cancelled.** There will be a showing of the 4pm Papal Mass in the Sanctuary, everyone is invited.

## **Worship on the Parkway Today**

**Today at 3pm**, in advance of the Pope's visit, representatives of the Secret Service and Homeland Security will conduct a "security sweep" of the area designated for events on the Pope's itinerary. ASUMC in partnership with the Welcome Church ( a congregation without walls) and in collaboration with other congregations will share in worship at 19<sup>th</sup> and the Parkway (near the Free Library of Philadelphia). This service, characterized as a "Spirit Sweep" of the Parkway will invite the Holy Spirit to prepare this sacred space for the Pope's visit and will highlight the sacred worth of all persons and their families.

## **Adult Sunday School**

All those interested in reading, reflecting on and discussing the Bible passages used in each week's sermon are invited to meet in the Chapel every Sunday at 9:45am. The Scripture readings for **today's class**. Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22, James 5:13-20, and Mark 9:38-50

The scripture readings for next Sunday's class are Job 1:1, 2:1-10, Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12 and Mark 10:2-16





**Join us for a special dinner with  
the Rev. Benjamin Hutchinson**

October 17, 2015  
Six to Eight o'clock  
(Doors open at 5:30)

The latest gay clergyman to be "fired" by a United Methodist Bishop because of his relationship with another man, whom he has since married, the Rev. Hutchinson has been without a church assignment since Bishop Deborah Lieder removed him as the pastor of Cassopolis UMC in West Michigan in July of this year. Under his leadership, the Church he served for three years quadrupled, became financially solvent, and was thriving. His congregation loves him deeply and has always known he was gay, as did the church leadership. An awesome preacher, he regrets no longer having this opportunity. Hear his story and give your support!

Tickets are \$10 / \$5 for students and will be available after the service near the chapel, or call Arch Street UMC at 215-568-6250.

All donations advance full acceptance of LGBT persons in the United Methodist Church.

**Menu**

Salad

Spaghetti Pie (a Matt Lauer favorite)

Dessert

Beverage

Special Music by Adam P. Haines

## Grace Café News

Grace Café will begin **this evening**. Arch Street Folks are cooking up tonight's dinner. Why not sign up now to host a meal in the fall for our homeless neighbors. If you know of anyone who might be interested have them contact Deaconess Darlene DiDomineck at [darlene.didomineck@gmail.com](mailto:darlene.didomineck@gmail.com)



### UMW Meeting and Book Discussion

Sunday October 11, 2015 immediately following the 11 am Worship service: *Behind the Kitchen Door* by Saru Jayaraman will be discussed. This is an important book that everyone is encouraged to read.

## Heritage Farm Fare 2015

On October 8th, Methodist Services Heritage Farm will be hosting the Heritage Farm Fare from 6pm-8pm, as a celebration of our seasonal bounty and to raise funds to support the ongoing operation of the farm. Guests will enjoy the stunning city views from the Belmont Mansion lawn while sampling delicious bites made from local ingredients, prepared by a host of well-known Philadelphia area chefs. Local libations will complement the chef's inventive cuisine and make for the perfect fall celebration of local foods! To view a full list of participating Restaurants, and farms, please visit our webpage [Heritagefarmphiladelphia.org/events](http://Heritagefarmphiladelphia.org/events). For more information, contact Marleen Livingstone 215-877-1925 ext. 104 or email: [mlivingstone@methodistservices.org](mailto:mlivingstone@methodistservices.org)

## A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for **Sunday, September 13, 2015** was 115. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.



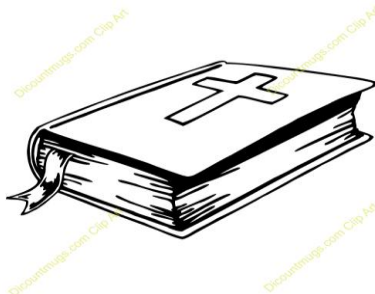
## Small Groups to Start

**Small Groups** provide the opportunity for current members and friends of the congregation to get better acquainted and for new folks to get connected quicker. Each Small Group has a convener who assists the group in developing the pattern and practice of listening and sharing. The basic format is centered on the passages of scripture used in Sunday worship; however, each group is free to develop their own agenda and set of activities. The groups meet once a week at the church or in someone's home for about an hour and a half. The general idea and theme is to provide the space, time and support for folks to share what really matters to them or concerns them. **“WHAT REALLY MATTERS TO YOUR HEART?”** is the leading question.

During the 2015 - 2016 season, there will be three time periods that the Small Groups will meet:

1. The week of October 18, 2015 through the week of November 30, 2015 (seven weeks)
2. The week of January 8, 2106 through the week of March 14, 2016 (six weeks)
3. The week of May 2, 2016 through the week of May 23, 2016 (four weeks)

As of the posting of this announcement there are three conveners committed to facilitating three different small groups: Warren Cederholm, Wilhelmina Young and Cathy Simpson. Each facilitator will provide the meeting place and time for the small group they are leading. Additional leaders and small groups are welcome to join the small group movement at ASUMC.



## **A Book Can Change A Story Volunteer, Donate, Serve with WePAC**



The West Philadelphia Alliance for Children (WePAC) has as its mission to tackle child literacy by re-opening formerly closed public elementary school libraries and staffing them with skilled volunteers, donated resources and reading enrichment activities. Led by Deacon David Brown – who served as a member of the ministry staff here at Arch Street – WePAC operates 13 libraries in the West and Southwest Philadelphia and the Roxboro/East Falls community. During the school year, we work with more than 4,000 students each week WePAC, for many of the students, is the only regular access to books they have. Individuals can volunteer to work in our libraries by connecting with [Volunteer@wepac.org](mailto:Volunteer@wepac.org). We provide our programs at no cost to the schools in which our libraries operate. Instead, we rely on private and individual contributions for our work. Donations may be received online through our secure website at [www.wepac.org/donate](http://www.wepac.org/donate).

### **Parking**

*Garage parking coupons are available from the Chapel office  
**only** for those who show their Convention Center parking ticket*



## PRAYER CONCERNS

**Prayers of Healing** for *D. Nicholas Tyrone Christy, Virgil Watson, Roxy Setzer, Jim Griscol, , Leo Gatewood, Gloria Young, Russell Whaley, Tanya Graves, Frank Lexa, Cheryl Roebuck, Dorothy Hurley, David Taylor, Dolores Farinre-Carey, J. J., Mr. Franco, Skylar, John Johnson, Len Metzler, Loretta Wootten, Evelyn Tinsley, Emily Jenson, Marsha Wittman, Jenny Jakacki, Laura Massey, Steve Whaley, Nuwoo Gbarbea, Tim Brazelton, Diann Rollins, Weslia Hynicka, Joan Wood, James Williams, Anthony Mastrando, Inez Barrett-Otey, Diana Amey, Casey Edwards, Temple Joiner, Ann Gennaro, Mark Fischer, Ida Bristoe, Maureen Norman, Jeanne Kostenbader, Donald Lathrop, Pamela Thomas, Rev. James Pittman, Sandra Parker, Marion Dabney, Patricia Pape, Yazid Jones, Carl Davis, Ernie, John Tucker, Lou Brooks, Rob Koob, Jada Bascom, Minerva Clark, Vanessa & Yaddy Sellers, Nakia Rimmer, Don Allen, Anna Cole, Christopher Browne, Betty Flowerree, Troy McColley, Barton Burke, Thomas Onorato, Roy Samuel Layden, Dorothy Eady, Molly Villafane, Pamela Maupin, Mary Reece, Celestine Justin, Louis Harrigan, Mayra Malonada, Sheldon Nixon, Althea Sea, Dumis Randolph, Joanne Ferreri, Rosemary Schier, Margaret Smith, Carla Kelley*

**Prayers of Encouragement** for Pastor Hynicka and family *,Nate Parther, Grace, Jeff, Charles and David, Rev. Brett Charsky, Anthony Eugene Smith and his mother, Christina, Rashida Bryant, Shelly Folks, the Thompson/Norman family, Calvin Smith, Jr., John Kitterell, Deborah Seely, Caroline Lopopolo, Alexander Grant, Lynn Jamison, Lonnie Minor, Anana Tinnhé, Laura Harrigan, Anna Burton, Glenda Cooke, Connie Knight, Rick Taylor, the Robertson family, Dorothy Watson and family, the family of Lunette Ellis, for Joe, Rich, and Elaine Jenson and family The family of Edwin Austin*

**Prayers of Protection** *for our service people and those living in parts of the world under conflict. Please pray for those who are hungry, ill, displaced, or living in poverty because of natural and human-made disasters, and for the workers who minister to them.*

## **ARCH STREET UMC VISION**

Arch Street United Methodist Church will be a welcoming Christian community that inspires openness, understanding, healing and reconciliation both within the congregation and in the community-at-large.

## **ARCH STREET MISSION STATEMENT**

Arch Street United Methodist Church's mission is to love God and neighbor by nurturing individuals on their spiritual journeys, encouraging creativity in faithful service, strengthening relationships and promoting justice.

*GOD'S TABLE IS OPEN TO ALL.*

*THERE'S ROOM AT THE TABLE FOR YOU.*

Arch Street United Methodist Church is a community of faith-keeping and faith-seeking people who embrace diversity in our congregation and community, and affirm the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for all of the gifts of God among us. Our welcome knows no boundaries, whether of age, racial or ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation or gender identity, economic or marital status, or physical or mental ability. We welcome all to share in the ministry, fellowship, and blessings of full participation as members of Christ's body.



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