

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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Your talent is Gods
gift to you
What you do with it is
your gift back to God



November 16, 2014
11:00 AM Service

Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka

Visitation Pastor, Reverend Reinhard Kruse

Deacons, Reverend David Brown, David Krueger

Deaconess, Darlene Di Domineck

Music Director - 8:30 am, Reverend Dolores Farinre-Carey

Guest Musician- 11:00 am, George Grace

Secretaries, Anne McCormick/Cathy Minecci

Sextons, Russell Whaley/Devon Goodwin/

Joe Kalil/Toni McIlwaine, LaDonna Cuffee

SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM

November 16, 2014 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Allemande” J.S. Bach

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

CHORAL INTROIT “Siyahamba” African Freedom Song

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN** #150 “God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens”

***OPENING PRAYER**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CLAIMING OUR HOPE

SCRIPTURE READING Nancy Megley

Judges 4: 1-7 [Page 211 in pew Bible]

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 [Page 1031 in pew Bible]

SACRAMENT OF BATISM

London Alexis Whittaker (see insert)

CHORAL ANTHEM

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” K. Thomerson

***GOSPEL** Matthew 25: 14-30 [Pages 860-861]

SERMON “Judge Judy” Reverend Robin Hynicka

***HYMN** # 301 “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

(During the singing of the hymn, worshippers are invited to approach the altar)

SILENT MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMING OUR MISSION

OFFERTORY

“Morning Prayers” Martin

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE #94 The Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***HYMN #399 “Take My Life and Let It Be”**

*** BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE “Postlude in B Flat” Curtis**

** = Please stand, if able*

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Worship Leader: Cathy Simpson

Greeters: Nancy Megley and Jim Bibber

Nursery Attendant: Samantha Nigrelli

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Calendar

November 16th to November 27th, 2014

- SUN** 11/16 8:30 Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:45 Adult Sunday School
9:45 Children's Sunday School
9:45 Choir Rehearsal
11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:20 to 3 Deaconess Darlene, Sanctuary
12:30 Get Acquainted Time
2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service
5:30 Grace Café Devotions
6:00 Grace Café
- MON** 11/17 1:00 Tea & Talk, Chapel
5:30 AA, Chapel
7:00 Freedom Band Practice, Chapel
- TUE** 11/18 12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
- WED** 11/19 5:30 AA, Sanctuary
6:30 Church Council Mtg.
- THU** 11/20 4:00 Action United, Sanctuary
5:30 AA, Sanctuary
7:00 Diversity Group, Sanctuary
- SUN** 11/23 8:30 Worship Service, Chapel
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- MON** 11/24 1:00 Tea & Talk, Chapel
5:30 AA, Chapel
7:00 Freedom Band Practice
- TUE** 11/25 12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
- WED** 11/26 5:30 AA, Chapel
- THU** 11/27 **Thanksgiving Day** – church closed
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall

Remember to check out www.archstreetumc.org for our events calendar

WHAT'S HAPPENING



New Members Class

Are you interested in finding out more about Arch Street Church, and what it means to be a United Methodist? Whether you're new in town, or have been attending worship for some time, you're more than welcome to come to our New Members class on **Sunday, December 7th** at **1:00 PM**. A light lunch will be served. For more information, please contact Pastor Robin.

Student Run Emergency Shelter

Beginning **tomorrow, Monday, November 17th**, in partnership with the Student Run Emergency Shelter Program and Project Home, ASUMC will welcome up to 30 men to sleep overnight in Nichols Hall. The goal is to assist the guest to make the transition from homeless to permanent housing. Students from several area colleges and universities volunteer to serve a light supper, share in community building activities and provide support and assistance. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please contact the church office (215) 568 6250.

The Matter of Frank Schaefer-A World Premiere

Come see a groundbreaking new play about Reverend Frank Schaefer, who was defrocked, and then, on appeal, refrocked for officiating his son's same-sex wedding. The play will run until **December 6** at Curio Theatre Company (4740 Baltimore Avenue). All shows are at 8 PM; tickets are \$15-25. Contact Curio for specific dates, tickets or further information: 215-525-1350 or www.curiotheatre.org.

Grace Café

Grace Café (ASUMC's outreach to folks currently without homes) will be open **every Sunday** until June 28, 2015. After a brief period of faith-sharing this evening, those gathered will enjoy a home-cooked meal prepared by members of Old St. George's UMC. There are lots of openings for hosts to bring food and prepare a meal for about 200 people. If you know of a group that would like to assist in this important mission, please have them contact the church office at 215-568-6250 or Darlene DiDomineck at ddidominick@epaumc.org. Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcomed.

Adult Sunday School

All those interested in reading, reflecting on and discussing the Bible passages in preparation for the next week's sermon are invited to meet in the Chapel at **9:45AM today**. Readings for **November 30, 2014** are Isaiah 64: 1-9; Psalm 80, 1-7, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 and Mark 13: 24-37.

Children's Sunday School

Sunday School for all children will be held between Services at **9:45AM**. Primary and Early Elementary years will meet with Dottie Wells in Nichols Hall, Room G. The Nursery is open for all infants and toddlers from 8AM – 12:30PM. If you would like to assist with Sunday School, please contact the church office (215) 568 6250 or speak to Pastor Robin.

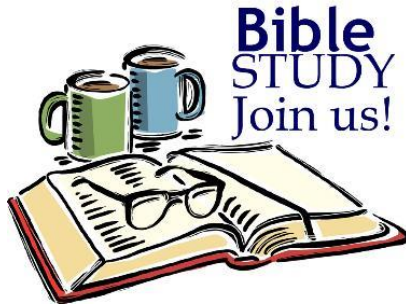
Buy a Manna Pie

Pat Taylor will be at a table taking orders for Thanksgiving pies. *Pie in the Sky* proceeds help provide meals and nutrition to the critically ill and homebound in Philadelphia.



Thankfulness: a photo show

Stop in to Arch Street UMC's Chapel for a display of photos on Thankfulness taken by Temple University's Aperture Agency. The exhibit will be on display until **Saturday, November 22nd**.



BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUPS

Several small groups have been formed to discuss the Bible and other church issues. *What Really Matters to You? What touches your heart; expands your mind, inspires your soul and tests your strength?*

You are invited to join one or more of these groups and participate in the discussions. Please contact the group leader to find out the specific topics his/her group is working on.

The Group Leaders are:

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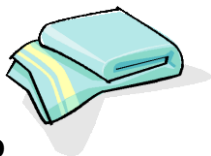
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PLEASE HELP THOSE IN NEED THIS WINTER!!

Provide a Warm Welcome to Refugees

Winter is coming and refugees arriving from warm countries need hats, mittens, scarves, gloves and socks. Please bring these NEW items to church for Margaret to bring to the Nationalities Service Center.



We Need Your Help

This coming winter promises to be very, very cold. Please bring new or “gently used” blankets, sweatshirts & hoodies to church. Darlene DiDomineck will distribute them to our friends who need them.

Arch Street UMC Charge Conference

The Organizations and Committees of the congregation are encouraged to prepare for the Charge Conference, which is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at Arch Street UMC at 7:45 PM**. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Save the Date – POWER Leadership Assembly

POWER’s fall voter campaign was a big success! Across the city, POWER volunteers got 6,000 registered voters to commit to go to the polls on Election Day. Everyone is invited to POWER’s quarterly Leadership Assembly on **Thursday, November 20 from 7-9 PM** at Mishkan Shalom (4101 Freeland Ave, Roxborough—Septa’s Route 9 bus stops 3 blocks away at Ridge Ave and Walnut Lane). We will celebrate our results and hear about the next steps in the campaign to get a Full, Fair Funding law for Pennsylvania’s public schools.

Contact one of the Co-Chairs of Arch Street’s POWER Local Organizing Committee: Nancy Megley (215-574-8320, nmegley@msn.com) or Wilhelmina Young (215-227-4034, thecatalyst212@yahoo.com) with questions and to let us know you will be there. Thank you!

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for **Sunday, November 9, 2014** was 117 and 185 for Grace Café. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.



Coming in December

Saturday December 13

Eliza Shirley Christmas Party
Freedom Band Concert

Sunday December 14

Children's Christmas Play and UMW Meeting (no book discussion)
Sacred Places Open House

Wednesday December 24

Candlelight Service

Thursday December 25

Christmas Breakfast

Friday December 26

Office Closed

Mission ConneXion

A Thanksgiving Service will be held at Tindley Temple (750 S. Broad St., Philadelphia, PA 19146) on **Tuesday, November 25th at 7 PM.** All are welcome.

UMW Calendar of Events – Winter 2015

Note: We usually meet on the second Sunday of the month immediately following the 11 am worship service.

Sunday January 11

Book 2: Discuss *The Round House* by Louise Erdrich (note: this is a long book—368 pages, so give yourself some time to read it) —You have two months. Available on Kindle

Sunday February 8

No book discussion

Sunday March 8

Book 3: Discuss *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. (Note: This is a very long book—608 pages, so we may spread the discussion over more than one meeting). Available on Kindle

The National MAHS & Museum Presents: *Christmas Classics in Concert*, Friday, December 19th, 7PM

The National Marian Anderson Historical Society (MAHS) & Curtis Institute of Music cordially invites you to join us in ringing the Spirit of the Holiday Season remembering the Great Marian Anderson with a Sensational Christmas Concert Celebrating the Classics with a lineup of Amazing Artists & Talent including Founder Lady Blanche Burton Lyles, Jillian Patricia Pirtle, Dorien Bell and many others.

The event will be held at The Curtis Institute of Music (1726 Locust Street, Philadelphia). A light holiday reception will follow the concert. Admission is \$35. Tickets can be purchased at The National Historical Marian Anderson Residence Museum (762 S. Martin Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146). You can also RSVP and purchase tickets at www.marianandersonhistoricalsociety.weebly.com.

Handel's *Messiah* Sing-In Saturday, December 27th, 5 PM Wharton Wesley UMC

If you like singing the *Messiah*, this is for you! Bring your Schirmer edition of the *Messiah* and show up at the church (54th and Catharine Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19143). We are hoping for 500 voices. Parking is available. For more information, call 215-472-4634.

Rothman Institute Ice Rink at Dilworth Park

Regular hours daily through February 22, 2015,
Monday-Thursday, 3-9 PM; Friday, 3-11 PM; Saturday, 11 AM-11 PM;
Sunday 11 AM-8 PM

Where: Dilworth Park, Broad and Market streets

Cost: \$4, adults; \$3, children 10 and under; \$8, skate rental

More info: www.ccdparks.org

Christmas Village in Philadelphia

This outdoor holiday market will be open from November 27-December 28, 2014 at Love Park (1500 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102). Hours are: Sunday – Thursday, 11AM – 7 PM; Friday and Saturday, 11 AM – 8 PM.

NOTE: *The Philadelphia Marathon will take place on Sunday, November 23rd starting at 7 AM at the Art Museum. It goes over Arch Street but should be past us by 7:30 AM.*



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *Doloris Shephard, Charlene Arcila, Catherine McDuttie, Floretta Richerson, Margaret Smith, Beth Ann Kelly, Felipe Velazquez, J. J., Mr. Franco, Skylar, John Johnson, David Harris, Len Metzler, Justine McNeill, Loretta Wootten, Mary Allen, Emily Jenson, Marsha Wittman, Jenny Jakacki, Laura Massey, Steve Whaley, Nuwoo Gbarbea, Tim Brazelton, Diann Rollins, Weslia Hynicka, Joan Wood, John Moore, James Williams, Oscar Allen, 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, Allen Goodwin, Marion Dabney, Patricia Pape, Yazid Jones, Carl Davis, Evelyn Tinsley, 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, Maria Eugenia Almeida e Sousa, Barton Burke, Thomas Onorato, Roy Samuel Layden, Dorothy Eady, Molly Villafane, Pamela Maupin, Mary Reece, Celestine Justin, Louis Harrigan, Amy Durfee West, Mayra Malonada, Mary Smith, Sheldon Nixon, Althea Sea, Dennis Murphy, Dumis Randolph, Chris Siemes, Joanne Ferreri, Rosemary Schier*

Prayers of Encouragement for: *Jeff, Charles and David, Shalia DeShields, Rev. Brett Charsky, Lea Booth and family, the Hearn family, Anthony Eugene Smith and his mother, Christina, Donna Bateman, 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*

Prayers of Protection for our service people and those living in parts of the world under conflict. And, 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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