

# Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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**Sunday**  
**January 11, 2015**  
**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

January 11, 2015

First Sunday after the Epiphany

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Amazing Grace”

Arr. Dengler

## GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

CHORAL INTROIT “Shall We Gather at the River”

### CALL TO WORSHIP

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN #152

“I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*RESPONSIVE PSALM #29

\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE “Sweet, Sweet, Spirit”

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

## CLAIMING OUR HOPE

SCRIPTURE READING

Phil Gressman

Genesis 1:1-5

Acts 19: 1-7

CHORAL ANTHEM

“The Gift of Love”

Hobson

*Though I May Speak With Bravest Fire,  
And Have The Gift To All Inspire,  
And Have Not Love; My Words Are Vain,  
As Sounding Brass, And Hopeless Gain.  
Though I May Give All I Possess,  
And Striving So My Love Profess,  
But Not Be Giv’n By Love Within,  
The Profit Soon Turns Strangely Thin.  
Come, Spirit Come, Our Hearts Control,  
Our Spirits Long To Be Made Whole.  
Let Inward Love Guide Every Deed.  
By This We Worship, We Are Freed. Amen*

\*GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1: 4-11

**SERMON** "Contact" Reverend Robin M. Hynicka

**CALL TO PRAYER**

**\*HYMN # 252** "When Jesus Came To Jordan"  
*(During the singing of the hymn, worshippers are invited to approach the altar)*

**SILENT MEDITATION**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**AFFIRMING OUR MISSION**

**CHORAL OFFERTORY # 688** "God, That Madest Earth And Heaven"

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE #94** 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!*

**\*HYMN # 89** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** "Another Year Is Dawning"  
Wesley/ Arr. McDonald

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**Worship Leader:** Cathy Simpson

**Greeters:** Barbara Williams and Raymond Wilson

**Nursery Attendant:** Samantha Nigrelli

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# Calendar

## January 11th, 2015 to January 22nd, 2015

<b>SUN</b>	1/11	8:30 Worship Service, Chapel 9:45 Children's Sunday School 9:45 Adult Sunday School 9:45 Choir Rehearsal 11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary 12:20 to 3 Deaconess Darlene, Sanctuary 2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service 5:30 Grace Café Devotions 6:00 Grace Café
<b>MON</b>	1/12	1:00 Tea & Talk, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Freedom Band Rehearsal
<b>TUE</b>	1/13	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary 7:00 Trustees' Meeting
<b>WED</b>	1/14	5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
<b>THU</b>	1/15	5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Diversity Group, Chapel
<b>SUN</b>	1/18	8:30 Worship Service, Chapel 9:45 Children's Sunday School 9:45 Adult 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
<b>MON</b>	1/19	<b>MLK Day, OFFICE CLOSED</b> 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
<b>TUE</b>	1/20	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
<b>WED</b>	1/21	5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 5:45 Endowment Cmte.
<b>THU</b>	1/22	5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Diversity Group, Chapel

Please see our Events page on our web site:

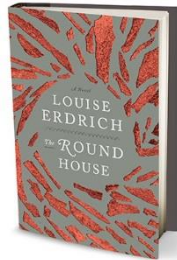
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for the full calendar of happenings.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING



## Come Talk about *The Round House* TODAY!



*The Round House* by Louise Erdrich is a terrific book. It won the National Book Award for fiction and rave reviews from the critics. *The Round House*, transports readers to the Ojibwe reservation in North Dakota. It is an exquisitely told story of a boy on the cusp of manhood who seeks justice and understanding in the wake of a terrible crime that upends and forever transforms his family.

Riveting and suspenseful, Erdrich's *The Round House* is a page-turning masterpiece of literary fiction—at once a powerful coming-of-age story, a mystery, and a tender, moving novel of family, history, and culture. We will have a book discussion immediately after the 11 am Worship Service **TODAY!** All are welcome.

## **Student Run Emergency Shelter**

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.

## **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 Unity Fellowship. There are still openings in the Spring 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](mailto:ddidominick@epaumc.org). Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcomed.

## **Throw in the (kitchen) towel**

Did you get a new kitchen towel and mitt set for Christmas? Why not bring your old ones in for the Arch Street kitchen? We would love to put them to use. Just drop them off in the Chapel office and ...thanks.

## **We Need Your Help**

This 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.

## **A Look at Our Faithfulness**

Combined attendance for **Sunday, January 4, 2015** was 128 and **202 for Grace Café** was the most people ever on the first Sunday of the month. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.

## **Schedule Change:**

*The Native American Indian Awareness Group will not meet until March, 2015.*

## Support Renewable Energy and the Clean Air Council!

Arch Street UMC is partnering with ChoosePAWind and the American Lung Association of the Mid-Atlantic in a unique campaign to encourage PECO electricity consumers to choose renewable sources, especially Pennsylvania wind. Pennsylvanians already have the power to go renewable and help **clean the air we breathe, reduce greenhouse gas emissions** (especially carbon pollution that contributes most to climate change) and **create local green jobs**. But if you make the switch to clean, local electricity through this campaign, you can also support Arch Street UMC. For each member/friend who **enrolls between now and January 31, 2015**, ChoosePAWind will donate \$20 to Arch Street.

***Twenty enrollments = \$400!***

Please consider making the switch if you haven't already - there is no easier way to go green and reduce your carbon footprint. The online process is quick and easy, and you'll be able to compare and choose among a variety of suppliers and plans. Simply go to

[www.choosepawind.com/make-the-switch](http://www.choosepawind.com/make-the-switch) to enroll or for more information (be sure to list Arch Street United Methodist Church in the "How did you hear about ChoosePAWind?" section to ensure the donation is properly credited). If you have any questions about the campaign, contact Tim Emmett-Rardin, ChoosePAWind's community outreach organizer, at [choosepawind@deeper-green.com](mailto:choosepawind@deeper-green.com).

## UM Day with Sixers

Join us for some high-flying pro basketball excitement at "UM Day with the Sixers"

**February 7, 2015**. The Philadelphia 76ers play the Charlotte Hornets (the team owned in part by NBA legend Michael Jordan). Game time is **7 PM** at the Wells Fargo Center. Take advantage of a special ticket discount and help raise funds for United Methodist Men's ministries: \$5 from every ticket sold will go back to UM Men's Ministries. Lower Level seat prices start at \$35. Mezzanine seats start at \$22. (Discount prices are based on availability and do not include the additional \$2 per ticket order fee.) Reserve your tickets at [www.nba.com/sixers/promocode](http://www.nba.com/sixers/promocode). Please enter the promo code: UMC. For orders of 10 tickets or more, and for more information, contact Chris McKeown at 215.339.7601 or email him at [chrismckeown@sixers.com](mailto:chrismckeown@sixers.com)



## Come See Cathy Simpson in *Voices*

Through speeches, songs and more, *Voices of a People's History of the United States* brings passion and power to the words that helped end slavery and Jim Crow, fought war and genocide, advanced gay and women's rights, and singularly defined the American spirit. Excerpted from the book edited by Anthony Arnove and famed historian Howard Zinn, a large cast of notable Philadelphia actors bring to life more than 400 years of activists. By giving public expression to rebels, dissenters, and visionaries from our past—and present—*Voices* seeks to educate and inspire a new generation working for social justice.

**Cathy Simpson**, Arch Street's favorite thespian, plays the roles of Sojourner Truth and Abbey Lincoln, the jazz singer. The show will be presented **January 29-31 at 8PM** on the main stage at Plays & Players Theatre, 1714 Delancey Place. Tickets are \$15-\$30 and are available online at [www.playsandplayers.org](http://www.playsandplayers.org) or by calling 866-811-4111.



### 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 **January 25, 2015** are Jonah 3: 1-5, 10; Psalm 62: 5-12; 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 and Mark 1: 14-20.

### 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.

### Hear Ye!

Here at Arch Street UMC we would love to hear you **read scripture** at the 8:30 or 11:00 services. If you are interested, please indicate it on your card or call the church office at 215-568-6250



## **Support Angela Navarro in Her Fight against Deportation**

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Angela has now been in Sanctuary for over 50 days. During that time she has not been able to leave the West Kensington Ministry building so of course she cannot work. As a member of the New Sanctuary Movement and a supporter of Angela, we need to provide financial support for her and her family. Arch Street UMC needs to raise \$165 a month. Many of you made a pledge and or gave a financial contribution in December. We sent in our financial contribution in December.

**It is now time for us to send in our January contribution.** If you have already made a pledge, it is time to fulfill your pledge for January. If you have not already made a pledge, please consider making a pledge today. You can put your contribution in the offering plate. Make any checks out to Arch St UMC and put a note on the memo of the check that this is for Angela. If you give cash, please attach a note that it is for Angela. You can make a pledge on the cards you will find in the pew. Just write your name and how much you wish to pledge monthly on the back of the card. It would be helpful if those who have made a pledge could also put that information on a card as well.

Thanks you so much for your generous support of Angela.

**In addition, I invite everyone to join me on a march in support of Angela on Saturday January 17th starting at 11 am in Love Park.**

Questions? Contact Margaret Harris at [margaretharris@me.com](mailto:margaretharris@me.com).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Monday, January 19th, Martin Luther King Day  
Church Office Closed**
- **Wednesday, January 21st, Endowment Fund Meeting**
- **Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>-Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> and**
- **Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>-Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>  
Center City District's Winter Restaurant Week**



## Children, youth choirs to help Simpson House celebrate 150 years

Simpson House, the oldest United Methodist retirement community in the U.S., turns 150 in 2015. To celebrate this sesquicentennial milestone, the institution will hold monthly festive activities, including a [Children and Youth Choir Festival](#) Sunday, April 26, at 3 PM. They invite congregations from around the conference to register their young singers to participate in a mass children and youth choir, and in ensembles and as recommended soloists. Church directors will receive music in advance to prepare their choirs for the concert. The festival will include a rehearsal at 1:30 and an old-fashioned ice cream social.

Other celebration highlights include: a chance to savor Simpson House's heritage at "High Tea and History" (Jan. 20, 2 to 3 PM); an antiques appraisal event (May 3); a cooking completion using historic Simpson House recipes (June 13), and a special worship service with Bishop Peggy Johnson preaching (June 14). There's much more in store. Use the [Schedule of Events](#) to register for activities. Contact Robbe Healey at [rhealey@ simpsonsenior.org](mailto:rhealey@simpsonsenior.org) or call 610-660-0116 for more information.

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*“Praise Him with tambourine and dancing, praise Him with the strings and flute.”*

*Psalm 150: 4*



## PRAYER CONCERNS

**Prayers of Healing** for: *Dorothy Hurley, David Taylor, Kevin Malone, Dolores Farinre-Carey, Charlene Arcila, Floretta Richerson, Felipe Velazquez, J. J., Mr. Franco, Skylar, John Johnson, David Harris, 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, John Moore, 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, 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, Barton Burke, Thomas Onorato, Roy Samuel Layden, Dorothy Eady, Molly Villafane, Pamela Maupin, Mary Reece, Celestine Justin, Louis Harrigan, Mayra Malonada, Mary Smith, Sheldon Nixon, Althea Sea, Dumis Randolph, Joanne Ferreri, Rosemary Schier*

**Prayers of Encouragement** for: *Grace, 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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## **Parking**

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only for those who show their Convention Center parking ticket.*