

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

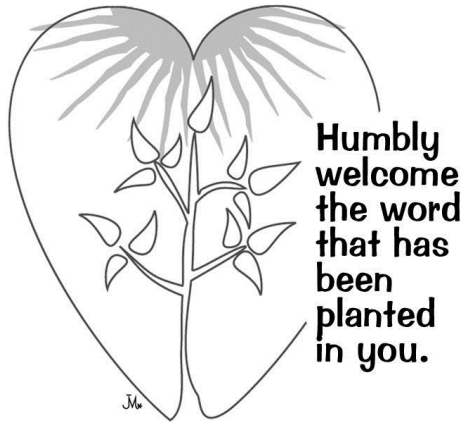
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April 19, 2015
11:00 AM Service

Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka

Visitation Pastor, Reverend Reinhard Kruse

Deacons, Reverend David Brown, David Krueger, Paul (Nick) Nicholas

Deaconess, Darlene Di Domineck, Nikki Kelley Kleinberg

Secretaries, Anne McCormick/Cathy Minecci

Sextons, Russell Whaley/Devon Goodwin/

Joe Kalil/Toni McIlwaine, LaDonna Cuffee

SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM

April 19, 2015

3rd Sunday of Easter

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Be Thou My Vision"

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CHORAL INTROIT "Day and Night Praise" Douroux

CALL TO WORSHIP

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN #596 "Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word"

*OPENING PRAYER

*RESPONSIVE PSALM #4 p. 741

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE "Sweet, Sweet, Spirit"

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,

And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;

There are sweet expressions on each face,

And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain: *Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove*

Stay right here with us, filling us with your love;

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;

Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived;

When we shall leave this place.

CLAIMING OUR HOPE

SCRIPTURE READING Margaret Harris

Acts 3: 12-19

1 John 3:1-7

CHORAL ANTHEM "Assurance" Beck

GOSPEL Luke 24: 36b-48

SERMON "Quiet Time" Reverend Robin M. Hynicka

CALL TO PRAYER

***HYMN** # 462 “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”
(During the singing of the hymn, worshippers are invited to approach the altar)

SILENT MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMING OUR MISSION

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE #94

*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** # 577 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

*BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE** “Rigadoun” Campra
**Please stand in body or in spirit*

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Guest Organist: Rosemarie Coleman

Worship Leader: Nicola Jefferson

Greeters: Nancy Megley and Jim Bibber

Nursery Attendant: Samantha Nigrelli

Get Acquainted Time Hostess: Margaret Harris

Calendar

April 19, 2015 to April 30, 2015

SUN	4/19	8:30 Worship Service, Chapel 9:45 Children's Sunday School 9:45 Adult Sunday School 9:45 Choir Rehearsal 9:45 Get Acquainted Time 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	4/20	1:00 Tea & Talk, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Freedom Band Rehearsal
TUE	4/21	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
WED	4/22	6:30 AA, Nichols Hall
THUR	4/23	5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Diversity Group
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Please see the Events page on our web site: www.archStreetumc.org
for the full calendar of happenings.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



Visit the Chapel for Aperture Agency newest exhibit

Aperture Agency welcomes you to view our newest exhibit, *Streets*. This project is a culmination of an appreciation for the streets of Philadelphia and those who inhabit them. We wanted to explore the widely known streets spanning from North Philadelphia, beginning at Allegheny Avenue, and working our way down to South Philadelphia, ending at Washington Avenue. Walking across the city you will notice stark contrast between North Philadelphia and even Spring Garden - this is what we wanted to show with this exhibit. Come and explore the streets of Philadelphia with us.

Thanks for your help

Pat Taylor and Arch Street UMC would like to thank all the members who helped with our Easter breakfasts. A special thank you to Mr. Terry Grant, manager of the Fresh Grocer at 56th and Chestnut Streets, for his generous assistance in making our after service breakfasts for our homeless neighbors an Easter feast.

There will be a special Charge Conference Meeting after the 11 AM service next Sunday, April 26th in order to gain approval to sell our property at 1817 Gratz Street.

Arch Street UMC Recycles

By recycling you not only save the Earth but Arch Street as well. Know your trash. Here is what you should put into our blue bins:

PLASTICS: *Emptied and rinsed – caps are OK*

All Food and Beverage Containers
Hard Plastic Takeout Containers
Plastic Cold Drink Cups and Lids
Detergent and Shampoo Bottles
Pump and Spray Bottles
Plastic Pails, Buckets, Garden Pots

PAPER:

Newspapers and Inserts
Magazines, Brochures, and Catalogs
Junk Mail, Envelopes, Writing Paper
Scrap Paper
Paper Bags
Phone Books
Paperback Books
Greeting Cards, Gift Wrap (non-metallic)

METALS: *Emptied and rinsed*

Aluminum, Steel, and Tin Cans

- Empty Paint Cans
- Empty Aerosol Cans
- Metal Trays and Baking Dishes
- Jar Lids and Bottle Caps
- Clean Aluminum Foil

GLASS: *Emptied and rinsed – caps are OK*

All Bottles and Jars

CARDBOARD: *Flattened and free of grease and food*

Corrugated Cardboard Shipping Boxes
Clean Pizza Boxes
Paper Towel Rolls
Egg Cartons
Dry Food Boxes

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 Arch Street UMC. *Today's dinner is given in loving memory and thanksgiving for the ministry of Ken Dorsey.*

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 ddidomineck@epaumc.org. Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcome.

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 **May 3, 2015** are Acts 8: 26-40; Psalm 22: 25-31; 1 John 4: 7-21 and John 15: 1-8.

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.

Student Run Emergency Shelter ends

In partnership with the Student Run Emergency Shelter Program and Project Home, ASUMC has welcomed up to 30 men to sleep overnight in Nichols Hall since November. **Friday, April 17th**, was the last night of the shelter for this year. We thank everyone who has helped out.

Plastic Canvas Class

Jayden Hensley is teaching a craft class on Sunday afternoons. Donations of colored yarn and plastic canvases would be greatly appreciated. If you have questions or would like to know more about the class, please see Jayden after the 11 AM service.

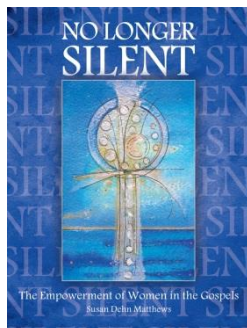
A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for **Sunday, April 12th, 2015** was **143 and 200** for Grace Café. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.

Brochures for Gretna Glen, Camp Innabah, Carson-Simpson Farm and Pocono Plateau summer camps are in the Chapel lobby.

Philadelphia Coalition Advocating for Public Schools

A strategy session will be held at Arch Street UMC on **Wednesday, April 29th at 5:30 PM.** The group is developing a plan to win 25 sustainable public community schools by 2018. Wednesday's session is for parents, students, teachers, staff and community members of neighborhood public schools who are committed to transforming public education from the ground up. Food and refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by contacting Rebekah at 215-913-7167 or Pebekeh@mediamobilizing.org.



United Methodist Women Book Club News

**We're reading *No Longer Silent;*
the empowerment of women in the Gospels for May 3rd!**

The story of Jesus of Nazareth has been called "the greatest story ever told," but what role do women play in that story? In *No Longer Silent; the empowerment of women in the Gospels*, author Susan Dehn Matthews attempts to highlight the women in the Gospels and provides the background behind those important women.

Matthews starts by noting that women in the Gospels were deliberately dis-empowered in order to maintain their presumed dependence, both in Scripture and in society. She then gives a voice to the minds and hearts of the women of the gospels who have been marginalized or ignored altogether. As she writes, "Each women whose story is recounted here is remarkable precisely because, through the power of an encounter with Jesus, she discovered within herself the Divine energy that allowed her to offer her unique gift to the world."

Get your copy of the book today from Margaret and start reading. Then come to the book discussion on Sunday May 3rd immediately following the 11 am worship service in the second floor conference room. Everyone is welcome!

Cathy Simpson in Theatre Horizon's *In the Blood*

Join other Arch Streeters and friends to see Theatre Horizon's production of Pulitzer Prize-winner Suzan-Lori Parks' play, *In the Blood*, at Theatre Horizon in Norristown. Margaret Harris has purchased 20 tickets at the special group rate of **\$25 a ticket** for the **Saturday May 9th evening performance** of this urban satire inspired by *The Scarlet Letter*. Hester is a homeless mother of five striving to escape the hand of fate. Will she be able to free her children from poverty, or is tragedy woven into her destiny and written in her blood?

Tickets are available on a first come first serve basis. Carpooling is an option. Let me know if you need a ride. See Margaret Harris at church with money in hand to get your ticket or send her an email: margaretharris@me.com

Community Events

FYI

Councilwoman Jannie Blackwell is hosting a *Health and Safety Street Fair* at 5700 Pemberton Street on **Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 10 AM – 4 PM**. Several state and city vendors will participate and a number of elected officials will be in attendance. Light refreshments will be served. All are invited to attend. For more information, contact Virginia Brown at 215-472-2279.



On Thursday, April 30, 2015, more than 200 restaurants across the Delaware Valley will donate 33% of the night's proceeds to benefit men, women and children with HIV/AIDS. Dining Out for Life was founded in Philadelphia by ActionAIDS, and this year they are celebrating their 25th Anniversary! Participating restaurants donate 1/3 of the cost of your meal to the fight against HIV/AIDS. Support Dining Out for Life by dining out at your favorite restaurant. Search for participating restaurants by location, cuisine type, meal served. Make your reservations soon and remember to support these amazing restaurants throughout the year. They truly make a difference in your community.

<http://www.diningoutforlife.com/philadelphia>

Celebrate Methodist Home for Children's Founder's Day and Open House on Saturday May 30th

This is a chance to visit Methodist Home for Children and learn about the services they provide. The event starts at 9:30 am with a breakfast and includes a brief presentation and campus tour. Carpooling will be available. Let Margaret know if you would like to reserve a spot for this educational and fun outing. If you don't see Margaret in church you can contact her at margaretharris@me.com.



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: an antiques appraisal event (May 3); a cooking competition using historic Simpson House recipes (June 13), and a special worship service with Bishop Peggy Johnson preaching (June 14). Use the Schedule of events to register for activities. Contact Robbe Healey at rhealey@simpsonsenior.org or call 610-660-0116 for more information.

“The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein; for He has founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the rivers.”

Psalm 24: 1-2



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *Joann Chambers, Russell Whaley, Frank Lexa, Brenda East, Ida Torrance, Cheryl Roebuck, Dorothy Hurley, David Taylor, Dolores Farinre-Carey, Felipe Velazquez, 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, Mary Smith, Sheldon Nixon, Althea Sea, Dumis Randolph, Joanne Ferreri, Rosemary Schier*

Prayers of Encouragement for: *Bill Gatewood, Kate McCormick, Grace, Jeff, Charles and David, Shalia DeShields, Rev. Brett Charsky, Lea Booth and family, the Hearn family, 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*

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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