

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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May 29, 2016
11:00 AM Service

Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka

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Deacons, Nikki Kelley Kleinberg, David Krueger,

Deaconess, Darlene Di Domineck

US2, Rachel Ternes

Music Director, Adam Haines

Secretaries, Carla Brickhouse, Anne McCormick

Building Supervisor, Frank Jones

Sextons, Russell Whaley/Devon Goodwin/

Joe Kalil/Toni McIlwaine

SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM

May 29, 2016

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Prelude/Fugue in E minor J.S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT "Hymn of Promise"

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

* HYMN #698 "God of the Ages"

*OPENING PRAYER

*RESPONSIVE PSALM 96 (UMH 815)

*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

Warren Cederholm

1 Kings 18:20-39

Galatians 1:1-12

CHORAL ANTHEM "Steal Away to Jesus"

African American Spiritual

***GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 7:1-10

SERMON "Make a decision!" Reverend Robin Hynicka

HYMN # 697 "America"

PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMING OUR MISSION

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Prelude in D Major J. S. Bach

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!*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

***HYMN # 696** "America the Beautiful"

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** Prelude in E major J. S. Bach



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Devices for the hearing impaired are available at the Chapel office.*

Guest Organist: Marianne Lipson

Worship Leader: Cathy Simpson

Greeters: Arch Street Youth

Nursery Attendant: Mark McNeill

Calendar of Events

May 29, 2016 to June 6, 2016

- SUN** 05/29 8:30 Worship Service, Chapel
9:45 Adult Sunday School
9:45 Children's Sunday School
9:45 Choir rehearsal, choir loft
11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:00 Get Acquainted Time, Chapel
12:20 to 3 Deaconess Darlene, Sanctuary
2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service
5:30 Grace Café Devotions
6:00 Grace Café
- MON** 05/30 **Office Closed** for *Memorial Day*
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
7:00 Freedom Band rehearsal
- TUE** 05/31 12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
- WED** 06/01 6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
- THUR** 06/02 5:00 Diversity - Chapel
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
- SAT** 06/04 10:30 United Methodist Men, Nichols Hall
- SUN** 06/05 8:30 Worship Service, Chapel
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- MON** 06/06 1:00 Tea and Talk, Chapel
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
7:00 Freedom Band rehearsal

Please see the events page on our web site: www.archstreetumc.org for the full calendar of happenings.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



Memorial Sunday

Worship time change Sunday June 12th For Philly Pride Parade

The Philadelphia Pride Parade is scheduled to begin at 11:30am on **Sunday, June 12, 2016**. Our times for worship that Sunday will be 8:30am and **10:00am**. After the 10:00am service everyone is welcome to join Pastor Robin in the parade. Other Reconciling Congregations will participate and be encouraged to come to ASUMC for worship that Sunday. If you are interested in participating, please contact the church office at secretary@archstreetumc.org.

Free Healthy Cooking and Eating Classes at Serenity House Coming Soon



Trying to eat healthy on a budget? Join us at Serenity House (1209 W. Lehigh Ave.) for a free, six-week PEACH (People Eating and Cooking Healthy) cooking class! Come to as many of the six sessions as you can, and learn a new dish each time! This class is for adults, but children may attend with a parent or guardian. Call Rachel at 503-475-2387 to sign up and for updates! Currently sessions are postponed with dates to be determined.

Trans-Health Conference: Volunteers Still Needed

Arch Street UMC is organizing volunteers to staff the Reconciling United Methodists' table at the Trans-Health Conference which is scheduled to be held at the Pennsylvania Convention Center from **June 9 – 11, 2016**. Visit the conference website - mazzonicenter.org/trans-health - to learn more about the mission and schedule for the conference. In order to demonstrate the commitment on the part of the Reconciling Congregations to the full inclusion of LGBTQ persons in the life of the church, a welcome table will be on display at the conference. Flowers, candy, brochures, pictures and a banner will provide visual interest but what is really needed is the personal touch. Pairs of volunteers are needed to take 3 ½ hour shifts staffing the table each of the three days of the conference. **The approximate timing would be 8:30am to 12noon; 12noon to 3:30pm; and 3:30pm to 7pm.** The first 3 ½ hour period on Thursday is covered but all of the other time slots need volunteers. Please contact secretary@archstreetumc.org to sign up for a time slot. A volunteer information sheet will be shared with each volunteer.

Volunteers are needed for the following time slots:

Friday June 10th (8:30 – 12noon) (12:30 – 3:30) (3:30 – 7pm)

Saturday June 11th (8:30 – 12noon) (12:30 – 3:30) (3:30 – 7pm)

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: 1 Kings 17:8-24, Galatians 1:11-24, and Luke 7:11-17. The readings for NEXT week are: 1 Kings 21:1-21a, Galatians 2:15-21, and Luke 7:36-8:3.



Grace Café Health Fair

Arch Street UMC is sponsoring a Health Fair on June 5th between 12noon and 4PM, in Nichols Hall. We will have providers available for screenings and rapid testing, and haircuts will be available.



What's going on in the Serenity House Neighborhood?

The People's Garden is a place for neighbors of all ages to play, rest, grow and harvest fresh fruits and vegetables, organize, learn, and build community. Over the past year, North Philly neighbors, Serenity House, and other community members have been collaborating and organizing to transform a vacant lot into a community garden. We dream of a garden where neighbors could find nutritious food in the midst of a food desert, peace and safety in the midst of a city fraught with violence, and local pride and self-determination in a neighborhood threatened by disinvestment and displacement. Please support this ministry by going to: www.crowdrise.com/archstunitedmethodistchurc which will help the purchase of seeds, seedlings, soil, tools, a rainwater collection system, food and supplies for work days, tuition for gardening education, and transportation of supplies. After you donate, please sign up for occasional email updates at: goo.gl/pnPJ87 and come visit The People's Garden to see how you've helped our plants and our community flourish!

Time to think about Summer Camp

Information about Gretna Glen, Carson Simpson Farm and Pocono Plateau Summer Camps is available in the Church office or online at: www.gretnaglen.org, www.csfarm.org, and www.poconoplateau.org.

Upcoming Sunday events

- June 5th – Choir Appreciation Day
- June 12th – Gay Pride Parade
- June 19th – Father's Day
- June 26th – Church Picnic

Did we miss anyone?

Do you know of any Arch Streeters graduating this Spring? If so, please send their names to secretary@archstreetumc.org or call Carla or Anne at 215-568-6250. Thanks.

Join Arch Street's Immigration Team

In the past, NSM worked successfully to make Philadelphia a Sanctuary City. Now NSM is working to make Driver's Licenses available to all, regardless of immigration status.

Right now we are working to stop the deportation raids. Recently the Obama Administration announced a new round of deportation raids targeting Central American refugee families. We are working to ensure all our immigrant members know what to do in case of a raid and we have organized teams to take action when we learn of a raid. NSM has an emergency hotline to call if you see an ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency) raid taking place.

Teams of NSM Congregational members have been organized to respond to reported raids.

- A phone tree will start to notify everyone signed up to respond. After the closest congregations are called, we will then call other congregations
- The team will immediately head to the site of the raid
- One person on the team will call others on the phone tree
- The team will gather on the block of the raid.
- The team will hold a vigil - songs, prayer, and any other practice that is meaningful to the congregation.
- The group will take photos and film the raid and NSM staff will call press. We will stay until ICE leaves
- After, we will talk with the family to provide guidance on next steps, talk about accompaniment and be a support for the
- Each team will have a response kit – an NSM banner, signs, an agenda, NSM business cards, and a guide for press. Members should wear NSM t-shirts and make sure the signs are visible. ICE officers are sometimes dressed in street clothes so we want to make sure the family knows we are supporters and not ICE.

New Sanctuary Movement holds a **General Assembly** every other month to provide information about our campaigns and to make plans to implement our goals. The Next General Assembly will be held on **Sunday June 5 at 3 pm at Holy Innocents Parish, 1337 Hunting Park Avenue, Philadelphia.** You are invited.

Please contact Margaret Harris (margaretharris@me.com or 215-568-2206) for more information or if you would like to be involved in this work for immigrant justice. Join the Arch Street Immigration Team

Music of Celebration: A memorial Concert of

Ralph Vaughan Williams: Five Mystical Songs/Will Todd: Mass in Blue
Join FUMCOG Concert Choir, the Philadelphia Chorus, Fairmount Chamber Ensemble, Jazz quartet with sax, piano, bass & drums on June 5th at 4PM at First UMC of Germantown, 6001 Germantown Ave. Phila. Suggested donation \$20.



2016 Calendar of Events

Sunday June 5th: This is a week early to avoid the annual Gay Pride Day Parade. No book discussion.

Friday, June 24th: UMW Annual Potluck at Margaret's, 6PM
All women of the church are welcome. Call or email Margaret (215-568-2206 or margaretharris@me.com) with any questions.

NO meeting in July

Sunday, August 7th: Book discussion of *Dreamers: An immigrant generation's fight for their American Dream* by Ellen Truax.

Grace Café

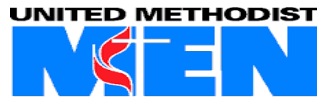
Grace Café (ASUMC's outreach to folks currently without homes) is open **every Sunday** until July 3rd. After a brief period of faith, those gathered will enjoy a home-cooked meal hosted by the Pat Taylor & Friends of ASUMC. There are still openings in June for hosts to bring food and prepare a meal 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.

LGBT Dinner Meeting

All LGBT persons affiliated with Arch Street Church are invited to dinner at Rev. Herb Snyder's condo, Hopkinson House Unit 902, 604 Washington Square South, Philadelphia, this Saturday, June 4th, at 6:30pm. The purpose is to review the LGBT activities of the past year, talk about the impact of General Conference, and plan for the future. Please let Rev. Snyder know if you will be attending by this Wednesday. herbertsnnyder@gmail.com or 610 368 5988.

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday, **May 22, 2016** was 126, and for Grace Café 230. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.



UM Men's Meeting and Book Discussion

During the 2016 season, the United Methodist Men will explore the lessons contained in the book [The Hidden Spirituality of Men](#) by Matthew Fox. The book explores the question: Why do men hide their deepest feelings and spiritual insights? Among the reasons discussed are the following:

- Many men carry wounds inside they would rather forget or put aside than admit are there.
- Men don't know how — and are not trained — to deal with their anger and outrage in healthy ways.
- Men sometimes work so hard that they do not have time or space for exploring their hearts.

The United Methodist **Men meet on the first Saturday of the month at 10AM for breakfast in Nichols Hall.** Please make arrangements to attend these informative and educational discussions.

Take me out to the ballgame...

Want a great place to spend a warm, cozy mid-July night, with just the right mix of laid-back calm and moments of competitive drama and excitement? A fun place to hang with family, friends and fellow church members, where you can all get your cheer on? How about a **Phillies ballgame at Citizens Bank Park on Methodist Night?**

Join hundreds of Eastern PA folks from across our conference at the ballpark to root for the home team on **Saturday, July 16, at 7:05 p.m.** Come see the Philadelphia Phillies play (and yes, beat) the New York Mets. The conference **United Methodist Men** have once again arranged for us to buy discounted tickets, with \$10 of each ticket we buy supporting their men's ministries.

Ticket prices range from \$20 to \$38. Check out our "Methodist Night" Webpage at www.phillies.com/methodist. To order your tickets, click on the green "T" icon and enter the promotion code **METHODIST**. **Place your order now! Tickets are subject to availability.**



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *Jazzy, Molly McNeill, Cheryl Roebuck, Helena & Jackie Yorker, Mrs. Bowman, Ann Bishton, Rev. James Pittman, Evelyn Tinsley, Pat Taylor, Constance James, Deanna Cottom, D. Nicholas Tyrone Christy, Virgil Watson, Roxy Setzer, Jim Griscol, Gloria Young, Russell Whaley, Tanya Graves, Frank Lexa, Dorothy Hurley, David Taylor, Dolores Farinre-Carey, J. J., Mr. Franco, Skylar, John Johnson, Len Metzler, Loretta Wootten, Emily Jenson, Marsha Wittman, Jenny Jakacki, Laura Massey, Steve Whaley, Tim Brazelton, Diann Rollins, Joan Wood, James Williams, Anthony Mastrando, Inez Barrett-Otey, Diana Amey, Casey Edwards, Ann Gennaro, Mark Fischer, Ida Bristoe, Maureen Norman, Jeanne Kostenbader, Donald Lathrop, Pamela Thomas, Sandra Parker, Marion Dabney, Patricia Pape, Yazid Jones, 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, Carla Kelley*

Prayers of Encouragement: for *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., Deborah Seely, Caroline Lopopolo, Alexander Grant, Anana Tinnhé, Laura Harrigan, Rick Taylor, the Robertson family, Dorothy Watson and family, the family of Lunette Ellis, for Rich, and Elaine Jenson and family.*

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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