

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

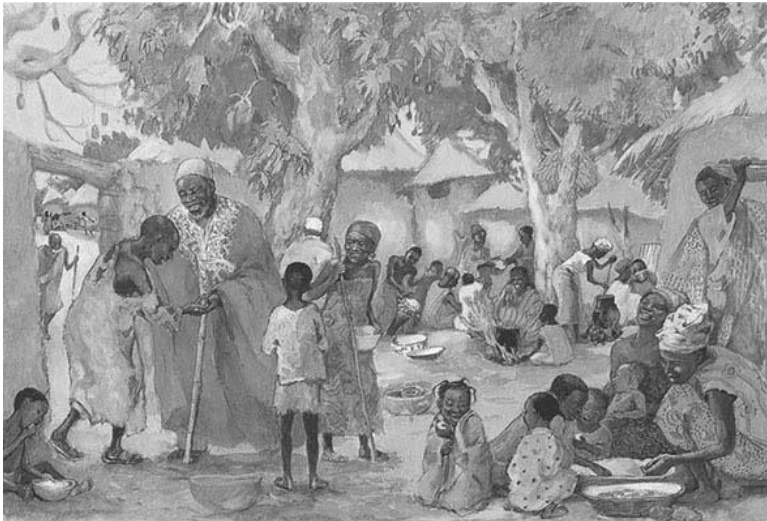
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August 28, 2016
11:00 AM Service

Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka

Visitation Pastor, Reverend Reinhard Kruse

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

August 28, 2016

15th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Andante espressivo Flor Peters

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

* HYMN # 194 “Morning Glory, Starlit Sky”

OPENING PRAYER

*RESPONSIVE PSALM # 112 pg. 833

*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 Nancy Megley

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 14:1, 7-14

SPEAKER “Who is on your guest list?” Michael Gilbertson

HYMN # 57 “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMING OUR MISSION

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Andante nobile

Flor Peeters

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 #557**

“Blest Be the Ties that Binds”

***BENEDICTION**

*May the peace of the Lord Christ go with us,
wherever He may send us.*

*May He guide us through the wilderness,
protect us through the storm.*

*May He bring us home rejoicing
at the wonders He has shown us.*

*May He bring us home rejoicing
once again into our doors.*

***POSTLUDE**

“How Firm a Foundation”

arr. Haines

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



Worship Leader: Nicola Jefferson

Greeters: Alice Ming and Raymond Wilson

Musician: Adam Haines

Nursery Attendant: Guy McNeil

Calendar of Events

August 28 to September 8, 2016

SUN	08/28	8:30 Worship Service, Chapel 9:45 Adult Sunday School 9:45 Children's Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary 12:00 Get Acquainted Time, Chapel 2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service
MON	08/29	1:00 Tea and Talk, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Freedom Band rehearsal, Chapel
TUES	08/30	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
WED	08/31	6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
THUR	09/01	5:00 Diversity Group, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
SAT	09/03	10:00 UMM, Nichols Hall
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MON	09/05	<i>Labor Day, Church Closed</i> 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
TUES	09/06	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
WED	09/07	6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
THUR	09/08	5:00 Diversity Group, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING



THE NATIONAL LGBTQ TASK FORCE INVITES YOU TO QUEERING RACIAL JUSTICE!

Racism and heterosexism share much in common. As people of God, we need to stand against forces of privilege and dehumanization where ever they manifest themselves. Come to this training to learn about how white privilege and heterosexual privilege "intersect" with one another. This training will be critically important for Reconciling United Methodists as we seek to broaden our support base in our EPA conference. It is sponsored by the National LGBTQ Task Force and it will be held at the African American Museum in Philadelphia. Please encourage your church members/friends to attend this event. Find out more about the event here: <http://www.thetaskforce.org/qrji.html> Click on the registration link to sign up.

Now is the time to deepen our intersectional organizing skills! Join us for a day of learning, storytelling and skill building for queer and ally people of color and white folks who want to build their anti-racist skills and explore applying these in the LGBTQ movement and beyond.

Join us and scores of other people from Philadelphia who care deeply about creating change in our communities.

Saturday, September 10, 2016

9:00AM-6:00PM

**The Philadelphia African American Museum
701 Arch Street, Philadelphia**

Workshops will be offered on **Islamophobia, economic justice, decriminalization, coalition building, being a better ally to transgender people, working through white privilege, and sustaining ourselves and each other.**

Bring your family, your faith community, your colleagues and classmates! This day of teaching and learning will enrich us and prepare us for more action towards justice.

POWER

Register to Vote, and Help Others Get Registered!

Did you know:

- If you are registered to vote but you have not voted in the past 5 years, your name has been dropped from the rolls and you will need to re-register
- If you are registered but you have moved since the last time you voted, you will need to re-register
- If you have a prior felony conviction, you are eligible to vote but will need to re-register

If any of the above applies to you, Arch Street's Voter Registration team can help you get registered! Watch for event dates in the coming weeks.

Also, we will be registering voters in the Serenity House neighborhood in North Philadelphia and can use your help. Here are the dates:

- Monday, September 5 (Labor Day): Serenity House, 1209 West Lehigh Ave.
- Thursday, September 9, MLK High School, 6100 Stenton Ave.
- Monday, September 12: Social Security/welfare office, 2929 N. Broad St.
- Saturday, September 24: Corner of Germantown & Lehigh and Broad & Lehigh

For more information and to volunteer, please speak with Betsy Connor (215-232-7186, betsyfconnor@gmail.com) or Nancy Megley (215-574-8320, nmegley@msn.com).

Thank you for supporting POWER in this important work!

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday, **August 21, 2016**, was 112. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you

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 scriptures readings for today's class are Jeremiah 18:1-11, Philemon 1-21, and Luke 14:25-33. The readings for NEXT week are Jeremiah 8:18 – 9:1, 1Timothy 2:1-7, and Luke 16:1-13.

You Called?

Interpreting God's Call: A Mentoring Program of Arch Street United Methodist Church

What social issues are you called to address? Who are you called to stand with in the struggle for justice? How will you grow your experience, compassion, and capacity to make change in the world? Explore these questions through a year-long, part-time mentoring program for young adults ages 18 to 25 discerning a call to service and social justice.

Experience trainings, one-on-one mentoring, and peer group community building, while serving in a specific context addressing living wage, mass incarceration, education reform, racial justice, immigration reform, or homelessness.

People of all faith traditions, genders, and sexual orientations are welcome and encouraged to apply.

For more information and to apply, visit bit.ly/youcalledprogram

LGBTQ WEEKEND in the POCONOS

All LGBTQ persons are invited to the fun weekend in Canadensis, PA on October 28-30, 2016. The Chalet includes a game room and hot tub. Also planned is an exploration of "Homosexuality in the Bible." The cost is \$80. per person, which includes two evenings in the beautiful chalet, two breakfasts, one lunch, and one supper. Shared transportation will be arranged. One dinner and one lunch will be enjoyed at a local restaurant. Financial assistance for those requesting it is available. Please contact Mike Gilbertson or Herb Snyder for more information and to make a reservation, which includes a \$30.00 deposit. Space is limited, so please don't delay on this!



The Arch St. United Methodist Women invite you to join us on **Sunday, September 11th** for our first meeting of the fall.

As usual, we will meet immediately after the 11 am service in the 2nd floor conference room for about an hour and a half. You do not have to be a member of Arch St. UMC or United Methodist Women to come. All women of the church are welcome at this meeting. Don't know anything about United Methodist Women? Here's your chance to find out more. And yes, there will be food for the body as well as the soul. We will be discussing our plans for the year, including book selections, excursions, and activities. We welcome new ideas and newcomers. Hope to see you Sunday Sept.11th! Questions? Contact Margaret Harris at margaretharris@me.com or 215-568-2206.

We will also be distributing the book Dreamers, which will be our discussion topic at our next meeting on Sunday October 2. Can't come to the September 11th meeting, but want a copy of the book? See Margaret.

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Looking ahead, the Arch Street United Methodist Women will meet on the following dates in 2016:

Sunday September 11

Sunday October 2 (book discussion of Dreamers)

Sunday November 13 (book discussion of Girls of Kabul) and introduction of Advent study

Sunday December 11th- Advent study, led by Wilhelmina Young.

In addition, we invite you to participate in

Saturday November 19: Nationalities Service Center Thanksgiving Celebration and Welcome for Refugees, 1216 Arch Street.

Saturday in December (date TBD) Holiday Party for our neighbors, the mother and children residing in the Eliza Shirley Shelter.

Special Birthday

Our friend and member, Evelyn Tinsley will be 93 years old on September 11, 2016. The Women's Prayer Ministry asks that you shower Evelyn with birthday cards. She has not been able to make it to church and misses it immensely. Please send her a card:

Ms. Evelyn Tinsley
Centennial Center, Room 305
4400 W. Girard Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19104

See Cathy Simpson perform for free! Yes, really!

Arch Street's own fabulous star of stage and screen, Cathy Simpson, will be performing in Revolution Shakespeare's *King John*, as part of the Fringe Festival In Hawthorne Park (located at 12th and Catherine) September 21 to October 1st. The performances are FREE and you do not need tickets or reservations.

Politics, Intrigue, Murder, War – this *King John* is set in a future world after the collapse of civilization. A corrupt “ruling class” has seized power and is now embroiled in a vicious struggle for total dominance. Through the midst of this mayhem strides ‘Philip the Bastard’, one of Shakespeare’s most dashing and delightful characters, who, with a deadly sword and a healthy dose of humor, saves the honor of his country.

The schedule of performances is as follows:

Preview: September 23 at 6:30 pm
Regular run: September 24 at 6:30pm
 September 25 at 1:00 pm
 September 28 at 6:30 pm
 September 29 at 6:30 pm
 September 30 at 6:30
 October 1 at 6:30 pm

You are of course welcome to attend any of the performances, but I am suggesting Arch Streeters join me for the September 30th performance. It would be fun to go together. Bring something to sit on! Questions? contact Margaret Harris at margaretharris@me.com.

Arch Street United Methodist Church
is hosting a

Lupus

Education Conference and Luncheon

55 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
Saturday, September 17, 2016
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

COST OF CONFERENCE & LUNCHEON: \$20.00

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At this Conference, we will be honoring the memory of:

Weslia Hynicka

Robin Whaley

The following elected officials will be in attendance and a group
of professionals will disseminate information about Lupus:

Governor Tom Wolf (tentatively)

Bishop Peggy Johnson

Rep. James Roebuck, Honorary Chairperson

Councilwoman Jannie Blackwell

and the presenters will be:

Dr. Sally Pullman Moorar

Dr. David Verbofsky

Ms. Cheri M. Perron – Lupus Foundation

*To reserve tickets and for more information,
please call Virginia Brown
at 215-240-1148.*

Today is the LAST DAY to get you tickets.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: Sarah Rowe, James Hearn, Zeke Sanders, Margaret Harris, Geraldine Bradley, Bill Gatewood, Michael Bowman, Jazzy, Molly McNeill, Helena & Jackie Yorker, Mrs. Bowman, Ann Bishton, Rev. James Pittman, Evelyn Tinsley, Constance James, Deanna Cottom, D. Nicholas Tyrone Christy, Virgil Watson, Roxy Setzer, Jim Griscol, Gloria Young, Russell Whaley, Tanya Graves, Dorothy Hurley, 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 Pat Taylor, Qing-Song Chen, 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, 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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Parking

*Garage parking coupons are available from the Chapel office **only** for the Convention Center self-park next door. You must show the number on your ticket and give your name at our office to receive your coupon.*