

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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ALL SAINTS' DAY

November 6, 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

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Joe Kalil/Toni McIlwaine

SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM

November 6, 2016

25th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" arr. Benjamin
Yuri Benjamin, Trumpeter

CHORAL INTROIT "Taste and See" FWS #2267

CALL TO WORSHIP

**Come and behold the glory of God.
Come and receive the grace of God.
Come and feel the love of God.
Eat with Jesus and be filled.
Drink with Jesus and be renewed.
Walk with Jesus and be present with mercy and justice!**

OPENING HYMN "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" #712

OPENING PRAYER

God of all saints and all sinners; God of all magnanimous mercy and righteous resistance to injustice; God who forms the rainbow and the communities of radical welcome; we accept your holy hospitality and renew our commitment to hearing your prophetic voice and presenting ourselves for active participation in your reconciling and restorative work.

ALL SAINTS DAY LITANY

We rejoice in the glory of God shining forth from all those who have gone before us.

We remember those from our congregation, from all faiths and communities of conscience who have died this year...

We remember those who have stirred our imaginations...

We remember those who have brought joy and inspiration...

We remember those who have served our world...

We remember those who died due to diseases like AIDS, Lupus, Cancer, etc. and to the lack of accessible and affordable health care...

We remember those who died due to hunger, homelessness, poverty, neglect and oppression...

We remember those who died due to war, police brutality, state executions, domestic violence, racial/ethnic bigotry, homophobia and all lethal acts of inhumanity...

***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

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

CHORAL ANTHEM "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Doris Akers

(the congregation will sing along with the choir)

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I wanted to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. I'm him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both a like. The lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

***GOSPEL**

Luke 20:27-38

SERMON

“Sacred Scarves”

Rev. Robin Hynicka

HYMN

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

#384

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be a church that practices biblical obedience. We have not done your will, we have perpetuated injustice, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not stood in solidarity with the oppressed. Forgive us, we pray and prepare us to be propelled into the world to present justice, love and peace, in the name of Jesus!

SILENT MEDITATION

Leader: Hear the good news:

Christ welcomes all us even though our sin is still evident and our souls remain open to and in need of the transforming work of the Holy Spirit. God simply loves you! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, accepted and included!

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, accepted and included!**

Leader and people: **Glory to God. Amen.**

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

As forgiven, reconciled and unconditionally loved people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

OFFERTORY

“Oh Shenandoah”

arr. Benjamin and Haines

***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! Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical setting on pages 23-24

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Almighty God: Creator of heaven and earth; God of Sarah and Abraham; God of Miriam and Moses; God of Deborah and Joshua; God of Ruth and David; God of Mary and Joseph; God of our Ancestors and God of all generations.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is The One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is Jesus Christ. By the baptism of Jesus's holy hospitality, resistance to injustice, execution by the state and victory through and over it all, you gave birth to the church, delivered us from sin and death and made with us a new covenant by water and the spirit.

On the night of The Last Supper, Jesus took a loaf of bread, broke it, gave thanks and shared it with all those gathered around the table. Later that night, Jesus took a cup of wine and shared it too with his disciples. In sharing the bread and the cup Jesus offered his whole self - body, mind and spirit to the redeeming, reconciling and restoring work of God and invited those around the table at the time and now all of us to be nourished by the bread of life and renewed by the cup of hope. And so, in remembrance of these your

mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living community in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the way Jesus is present now to nourish us to embody empathy, compassion, faith, love, resistance to oppression, truth-telling, justice-seeking and peace.

By your Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes again, and we feast at your heavenly banquet. Through Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

Because there is one loaf and one cup, we, who are many, are one community of faith for we all partake of the one loaf and the one cup. May the bread which we break and the cup which we drink nourish us to share in the ministry of Christ.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING PRAYER

Let us all pray:

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN** "For All the Saints" #711

**During the singing of the hymn the congregation will light candles in memory of all those saints who inform our lives and inspire our faithful witness in the world.*

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Go forth in peace! The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
Amen.

POSTLUDE “When the Saints Go Marching In “ arr. Benjamin

** Please stand, in body or spirit*

**gluten free wafers are available upon request, 100% grape juice is used for communion*

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

Worship Leader: Cathy Simpson

Greeters: Shirlee Chambers and Bryan Sieber

Nursery Attendant: Frankie Dineen



HISTORY OF ALL SAINTS DAY

Secular culture and many Low Church traditions associate All Saints Day (November 1), also known as All Hallows (*hallows* = saints) or Hallowmas (*mas* = Mass), with Halloween (*een*=evening before or eve), All Hallows Eve (October 31). As a result, many tend to reject this Holy Day because of modern associations with witches, ghouls, the macabre, and a preoccupation with death that began to grow up around the Holy Day in the medieval period. Also, Protestants have generally tended to be uncomfortable with this day in its association in Roman Catholic tradition with the doctrine of Purgatory and praying for the dead.

All Souls Day began in the 3rd century to honor martyrs of the Christian Faith. By the 7th and 8th centuries it developed as a way to honor any of the saints of the Church who had attained the full status of heaven. During the early medieval period in the eleventh century, the following day, November 2, came to be observed as All Souls Day to remember those who had died but had not yet achieved the “beatific vision” of heaven, or who were still in Purgatory. This became a time to pray and intercede for these departed saints.

As with a lot of other excesses of the medieval period, these two days began to accrue a lot of popular mythology and became overlaid with layers of superstition. However, much of what concerns modern Christians actually developed in Ireland and England from pagan Celtic festivals and was imported into the United States by immigrants in the middle 19th century. It was not until the late 19th century that Halloween emerged in its modern Western version, which was then exported to other countries. It is this syncretism of Christianity with pagan beliefs in Halloween that lends a bad reputation to All Saints Day in Western Protestant thinking.

Yet beyond those issues, traditionally in the Church the two days of All Saints Day (November 1) and All Souls Day (November 2) were valued as times to celebrate heritage and those Christians of the past who faithfully transmitted the Faith to succeeding generations. Martin Luther actually chose All Saints Eve to send his [95 Theses](#) to the Archbishop. His challenge to the Church and its leaders to reform was set against the background of the heritage of that Church. And even after the Reformation, both Lutheran and Anglican traditions retained the celebration of All Saints Day as a time to honor those who had been faithful.

Today, many Protestant churches combine the two traditional days into the observance of All Saints Day. However, the day focuses not only on honoring departed members of the Church and local congregations, but also those still living who have contributed to the work and ministry of the Church in significant ways. Since most years November 1 falls on a weekday and most Protestant churches do not have weekday services, usually the Sunday following November 1 is celebrated as All Saints Sunday (All Saints Day falls on a Sunday in 2009 and 2015). Some churches combine All Saints Day celebration with Reformation Sunday (last Sunday in October) as a way to focus on heritage

Calendar of Events

November 6, 2016 to November 13, 2016

- SUN** 11/6 *All Saints Sunday*
8:30 Worship Service, Chapel
9:45 Adult Sunday School
9:45 Adult Choir Rehearsal
11:00 Children's Sunday School
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** 11/7 1:00 Tea & Talk
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
- TUES** 11/8 **ELECTION DAY**, please vote
12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
- WED** 11/9 3-5 Painting in Nichols Hall
6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
- THUR** 11/10 5:00 Diversity Group, Chapel
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
- SUN** 11/11 8:30 Worship Service, Chapel
9:45 Adult Sunday School
9:45 Adult Choir Rehearsal
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WHAT'S HAPPENING



Today is All Saints Sunday

The Robeson County Church and Community Center in Lumberton, NC was under water due to flood waters from the Lumber River. The Center and the people that work there are well known to Arch Street UMC. For the last eight years, ASUMC Youth have traveled to Lumberton and Pembroke NC to work alongside local leaders on various church and community improvement projects. The Center is the heart and soul of working with the poor of Robeson County – the poorest county in NC. The United Methodist Church is the driving force behind the Center's work. In a conversation, with Pastor Kelly (local leader), he stated that funds and volunteers are desperately needed to clean up and restore the Center so they can resume and upgrade service. The ASUMC Youth are so close to this NC community and ask for your help. Pastor Robin has set a stretch goal of \$8,000 to be raised before Christmas. This Sunday, All Saints Sunday, the fundraising drive will kick off. Gifts can be made to this special cause in honor or in memory of loved ones. Please use the special offering envelop inserted in the bulletin. Checks should be made out to Arch Street UMC with the words Flood Relief on the memo line.



Pat Taylor will be taking orders for pies to support Manna's Pie in the Sky. You can feel good about doing good. With every pie you buy, MANNA prepares and delivers seven nourishing meals to someone battling a life threatening illness such as cancer, HIV/AIDS, cardiac disease, and more. You can always order online at www.mannapies.org/buyflow/cart.cfm just enter Pat Taylor's name at the bottom under seller. Thanks.



This is it!

Over the past two months, POWER congregations have held 6 door-to-door canvasses and 6 city-wide phone banks to Get Out the Vote. The last event will be one final phone bank on Monday, November 7th from 6:00–9:00 PM. You only need a phone to participate, not a laptop or internet access.

If you can participate, go to <http://powerinterfaith.org/togetherwewote/> and click on the link to register. You will receive an email with instructions, your participant code, and the script. If you don't have internet, Nancy Megley can register you and get your materials. Call her at 215-574-8320.

Thank you for supporting POWER's work in this important election!

Betsy Connor, Nancy Megley, and Wilhelmina Young
Co-chairs, Arch Street's POWER LOC

Grace Café NOW Open

Grace Café (ASUMC's outreach to folks currently without homes) is open **every Sunday** through the end of June. After a brief period of faith, those gathered will enjoy a home-cooked meal. Tonight's meal is from Hope UMC in Havertown. There are still 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 ddidomineck@gmail.com. Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcome.

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 Isaiah 65:17-25, 2Thessalonians 3:6-13, and Luke 21:5-19. The readings for NEXT week are Jeremiah 23:1-6, Luke 1:68-79, and Luke 23:33-43.

New Sanctuaries Movement

The PA House of Representatives ended their last day of session before the election, and did not vote on HB 1885, the Anti-Sanctuary City bill!

We have successfully stopped this bill for now, but we are not 100% out of the woods. The House has two more days of session in mid-November after the election. These days are typically for ceremonies and picking leadership, not voting. We also expect that after the election, the momentum will fade for this bill. However, we are not fully done until the session formally ends.

Congratulations and a heart-felt thank you to everyone who put so much heart into fighting this very dangerous and racist bill. In the last two weeks, we have moved mountains! We held a Sukkot ritual and an all night prayer vigil; made hundreds of calls to our State Senators and Representatives; organized 225 signatures on a faith leader letter; sent people to MILPA's and Casa's rally in Harrisburg; and had people praying across the city in three different languages.

Don't forget the New Time for Children's Sunday School

TIME for our Children's Sunday School. Children will meet at **11AM** in Nichols Hall. New curriculum with lots of fun, music and song.

We are looking for Volunteers!

Arch Street is looking for volunteers to cover the front desk, Wednesday mornings from 10am until 2 or 3pm. You would be responsible for answering the telephone, greeting and directing visitors to the church. If you have a few hours a week and you are willing to volunteer please call Anne or Carla 215.568-6250 or email: secretary@archstreetumc.org.



The Arch St. United Methodist Women invite you to join us. You do not have to be a member of Arch St. UMC.

Upcoming:

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.

Saturday December 10th Holiday Party for our neighbors, the mother and children residing in the Eliza Shirley Shelter.

Questions? See Margaret Harris.

margaretharris@me.com or 215-568-2206

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday, October 30th was 120 and Grace Café was 200. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.

“Do all the good you can.
By all the means you can.
In all the ways you can.
In all the places you can.
At all the times you can.
To all the people you can.
As long as ever you can.”

— John Wesley



We're Looking for Musical Volunteers

Have a gift to share? Share it at the 11am service

Name:

Talent/gift:

Email:

Phone:

Please place in the offering tray or returned to our organist, Adam Haines.

The purpose is to discover our talented members to share their gifts in the service.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *Russ Alexander, Pat Taylor, Alma Dopson, Cynthia Dupree, Marion Ambrose, Mrs. Mastrando, Chris Whaley, Sarah Rowe, Mat Hearn, James Hearn, Zeke Sanders, Geraldine Bradley, Bill Gatewood, Michael Bowman, Jazzy, Helena & Jackie Yorker, Mrs. Bowman, Ann Bishton, Rev. James Pittman, Evelyn Tinsley, Constance James, Deanna Cottom, D. Nicholas Tyrone Christy, Virgil Watson, Jim Grisco, 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, Steven Whaley, 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

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