

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation
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February 12, 2017
11:00 AM Service

Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka
Visitation Pastor, Reverend Reinhard Kruse
Deacons, Reverend Nikki Kelley Kleinberg,
Reverend David Krueger,
Deaconess, Darlene DiDomineck
US2, Rachel Ternes
Music Director, Adam Haines
Secretaries, Carla Brickhouse, Anne McCormick
Building Supervisor, Frank Jones
Sextons, Devon Goodwin, Russell Whaley,
John Buzby, Toni McIlwaine, Joe Kalil

SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM

February 12, 2017

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

PRELUDE "Red Rose Rendezvous" Meir

Interpretive Dance performed by Rhonda Moore

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CHORAL INTROIT "It is Well With my Soul"

CALL TO WORSHIP

* HYMN 2146 "His Eye is on the Sparrow"

*OPENING PRAYER

Litany: Rules for Living!

Letanía: ¡Reglas para vivir!

Leader: Do All the Good You Can,

Líder: Haz todo el bien lo que puedas.

People: Good deeds; not great feats are what God requires!

Gente: Buenas acciones; No grandes hazañas son lo que Dios requiere!

Leader: By All the Means You Can,

Líder: Por todos los medios que puedas.

People: Justice, Loving-Kindness and Humility are the means!

Gente: ¡Justicia, Amor-Bondad y Humildad son los medios!

Leader: In All the Ways You Can,

Líder: De todas las formas que puedas.

People: Showing up for, investing in and standing with the most vulnerable is the way!

Gente: ¡Presentándose, Invirtiendo, Estando de pie con el más vulnerable, eso es la manera!

Leader: In All the Places You Can,

Líder: En todos los lugares que puedas.

People: The whole wide world is the place!

Gente: ¡Todo el mundo es el lugar!

Leader: At All the Times You Can,
Líder: En todas las veces que puedas.

People: 24/7 is the timing!

Gente: ¡veinticuatro horas al día es el momento!

Leader: To All the People You Can,
Líder: A todas las personas que puedas.

People: All means all!

Gente: ¡Todo significa todo!

Leader: As long as You Can!
Líder: Siempre que puedas.

People: Yes, as long as we can!

Gente: ¡Sí, mientras podamos!

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

“Sweet, Sweet, Spirit”

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

*Hay un dulce espíritu aquí
y yo se que es el Espíritu del Señor
Hay amor divino hoy aquí
y yo se que es la presencia del Señor*

*Dulce Espíritu, tierno Creador
quedate hoy aquí
llenandonos con tu amor
y para siempre yo levantara
mi corazón y voz
en paz renovarás
estando hoy aquí*

CLAIMING OUR HOPE

SCRIPTURE READING Warren Cederholm
Deuteronomy 30:15-20
1Corinthians 3:1-9

CHORAL ANTHEM “Ain’t That Good News” Dawson

GOSPEL Matthew 5:21-37

SERMON: “My House! My Rules!” Reverend Robin Hynicka

***HYMN # 177** “He is Lord”

(During the singing of the hymn, worshippers are invited to approach the altar)

SILENT MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMING OUR MISSION

OFFERTORY “Humbly We Adore Thee” Randolph Currie

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 #395** “Take Time to be Holy”

BENEDICTION

Do no harm, Do good, Stay in love with God! Amen.

¡No hagas daño, Haz el bueno, Quédate en amor con Dios! Amén.

***POSTLUDE** “Wild Honey Suckle Rag” Meir

In honor of Black History Month, Wild Honeysuckle Rag is a piece of Ragtime – also spelled rag-time or rag time – is a musical genre that enjoyed its peak popularity between 1895 and 1918, by composers like Scott Joplin. Its cardinal trait is its syncopated, or “ragged”, rhythm. The genre has its origins in African-American communities like St. Louis, years before being published as popular sheet music for piano.

** Please stand in body or in spirit*

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



Musician: Adam Haines

Worship Leader: Remone Mundle

Greeters: Barbara Williams and Dale Shillito

Nursery Attendant: Joyce Mojher

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday, February 5th was 117 and Grace Café was 170. Your tithes, gifts and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.

Notes:

Calendar of Event

February 12, to February 21, 2017

- SUN** 02/12 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 United Methodist Women's Meeting 2nd floor
12:20 to 3:00 Deaconess Darlene, Sanctuary
2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service
5:30 Grace Café Devotions
6:00 Grace Café
- MON** 02/13 1:00 Tea and Talk
5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
- TUES** 02/14 12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
- WED** 02/15 6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
- THUR** 02/16 5:00 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



ASUMC Celebrates Great Women in History

ASUMC's African Heritage Committee has established the theme, "WOMEN OF INDOMITBLE SPIRIT" that will shape worship four consecutive Sundays in 2017 (February 19th, February 26th, March 5th and March 12th). Reverend Naomi Leapheart, , Christ Servant Minister Melanie DuPree, Reverend Kym McNair and Elder Melanie DuBouse are the guest speakers in that order. Each of them will identify a woman in their life who provided inspiration, shared insight and demonstrated integrity. Using the example of this woman's influence they will tell their story of the woman/women who undergird(s) their spirit and sacred service. In addition, pictures and descriptions of other women who exhibit an indomitable spirit will be posted throughout the church. Each guest preacher will speak at both morning services and join the Adult Sunday School class at 9:45am. There will be a Get Acquainted Time after the 11am service on all four Sundays.

2017 Lenten Series

The 2017 Lenten Series begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017 and continues through Holy Week. The theme for the series is "The Last Week" based on the book with the same name by Marcus J. Borg and John Dominic Crossan. The Ash Wednesday service will take place in the main sanctuary and feature piano music,

preaching and the imposition of ashes. The remainder of the Wednesdays in Lent, including the Wednesday of Holy Week will feature an in depth study of the last week in the life of Jesus. Each Wednesday will feature a different day's events of the last week and will connect the events to the surrounding social/economic/political/religious context of the time. This study will take place in the Prayer Chapel and will include a piano prelude with hymn singing. The Ash Wednesday Service and the Wednesday study sessions will begin at 12 noon and conclude at 12:50pm.

Grace Café

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 sharing, those gathered will enjoy a home-cooked meal hosted by the Amanda Groen family.. 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 gracecafephilly@gmail.com Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcome.

United Methodist Women

All women are invited to come to the United Methodist Women meeting today, immediately following the 11 am Worship Service, in the upstairs conference room! We will be celebrating Wilhelmina Young's birthday and discussing the exciting activities planned to fulfill our mission to grow spiritually and work for justice through service and advocacy. We know we need to nourish our bodies as well as our souls in these trying times so we will have refreshments. We invite newcomers, visitors, and long time members to come learn about how you can become involved in our work. We have been energized by new leadership and we are excited to share our plans with you.

Robeson County Church Needs OUR Help Target Goal \$8,000

Funds Collected to date \$2800

The Robeson County Church and Community Center in Lumberton, NC was under water due to flood waters from the Lumbee 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.** We have collected 1/3 of our goal. Gifts can be made to this special cause in honor of a special person. Please use the special offering envelope inserted in the bulletin. Checks should be made out to Arch Street UMC with the words *Flood Relief* on the memo line.

LGBT Event: Philly Gay Chorus

The LGBT group will attend the Philly Gay Chorus event on March 24 at 8 p.m. at the Prince Theatre. Tickets cost \$27.50 each. If you plan to go, please see Mike Gilbertson before or after church or email him at michael.e.gilbertson@gmail.com. We need to buy the tickets before March 3 to get this discounted price. Here is what the Chorus says about the show: Philadelphia Gay Men's Chorus presents Philly Made, our official 35th Anniversary concert. Philly Made will feature artists, composers, and songs who, like PGMC, originated in and embody the spirit of Philadelphia. What better way to celebrate our home in the City of Brotherly Love than to honor its musical talent and traditions?

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 Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18, 1Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23, and Matthew 5:38-48. The readings for NEXT week are Exodus 24:12-18, 2 Peter 1:16-21 and Matthew 17:1-9



POWER's 100 Days of Faithful Resistance

As a new government moves to divide and denigrate, POWER plans 100 Days of Faithful Resistance. More than 50 faith organizations in Philadelphia make up POWER (Philadelphians Organized to Witness, Empower and Rebuild), which has been working in the city and state to improve public education, wages and the criminal justice system.

Several well attended training sessions and planning meetings, a huge airport demonstration, and an equally large "Save Our Healthcare" rally and march have been planned and carried out by POWER and allies **since the inauguration 3 weeks ago.**

Please make every effort to join us, the POWER Local Organizing Committee (LOC) on **Tuesday Feb 21 at 6 PM** at Arch Street Church to hear about POWER's 100 Days of Faithful Resistance and how you might participate. Even if you can't join the resistance, come to follow the progress of this amazing organization that is so important in the life of our church and in improving lives in Philly and PA.

For those of you who want to know what you can do in these frightening times, here is a great opportunity to get started.

For further information please contact:

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A Place for Javier

We welcomed Javier Flores Garcia in to safe sanctuary at Arch Street to prevent his deportation to Mexico. This is a moment in history and a precious opportunity to do something prophetic and faithful. Javier will be living at ASUMC. We will make provisions for family, friends and supporters to visit throughout his stay with us. Javier was the breadwinner in the family. If you would like to assist his family please donate to any of the three organizations indicating your donation is to go to his family.

<http://sanctuaryphiladelphia.org/get-involved>

<http://vamosjuntos.org/>

<http://archstreetumc.org/>



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *Jonathan Legg, Lisa Lore, Luca, Max Northouse, Pat Taylor, Alma Dopson, Cynthia Dupree, Marion Ambrose, Mrs. Mastrando, Chris Whaley, Sarah Rowe, James Hearn, Zeke Sanders, Geraldine Bradley, 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 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, 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: *Marge Donnelly and family, Bill Gatewood Bill & Marlene McCormick, Mat Hearn, 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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