

Arch Street United Methodist Church

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April 23, 2017
8:30 AM Service

Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka
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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

PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE

April 23, 2017

2nd Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE

PRAISE SINGING

#304 "Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

#162 "Alleluia, Alleluia"

#2196 "We Walk by Faith"

OPENING PRAYER

WELCOME TO ARCH STREET & PASSING OF THE PEACE

JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

REGISTRATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE READING

Regina Bedell

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

1 Peter 1:3-9

SPECIAL MUSIC # 2272 "Holy Ground"

***GOSPEL LESSON John 20:19-31**

SERMON

"In the Garden"

Reverend Robin M. Hynicka

CLOSING HYMN # 2043 "Alleluia"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE #2153 "I'm Gonna Live So"

Musician: James Dell'Orefice **Worship Leader:** Remone Mundle

Nursery Attendant: Guy McNeill

WHAT'S HAPPENING



Sowing the Seeds of Transformative Leadership

The Shalom Center honors three activists on **Sunday, May 21st**, and we invite you to join the celebration. They will honor Bill McKibben (350.org) Bishop Dwayne Royster (PICO and POWER) and Sophia Wilansky (a young anti-pipeline activist) in an event titled “Sowing the Seeds of Transformative Leadership”. The three honorees will be present to speak to their experience building leadership for social justice. All are welcome but space is limited.

To reserve your seat, register today at
<https://theshalomcenter.org/SowingSeeds>.



News and Events

Philadelphia's 2017 primary election will be held Tuesday, May 16th. Last week, here at Arch Street, POWER and its allies in the *Philadelphia Coalition for A Just District Attorney* held a lively candidates' forum titled "Decarcerate DA." Our sanctuary was packed as six of the eight candidates for DA answered tough questions from the sponsoring organizations and audience members on racial profiling, bail reform, keeping children under 18 out of adult jails, not cooperating with ICE, and much more. WURD Radio broadcast the event live and WHYYY covered it (newsworks@whyy.org for April 19).

On Tuesday, April 25th from 6:30–8:00 PM at the POWER office (1429 N. 11th Street), POWER will hold a training on **Funding the Movement**. Power equals organized people + organized money. A successful movement for change can't have one without the other. If we truly want to build sustainable movements and organizations for long-term justice work, then we need to build our skills in grassroots fundraising and donor organizing. If you can join Nancy at this training, please RSVP to her or the POWER office (215-232-7697).

Here are the next events POWER will be hosting. Be sure to *mark your calendars and plan to be there*.

POWER Social Justice Revival: On Sunday, May 7th at 6:00 PM, POWER will hold a "Social Justice Revival" at Mother Bethel AME Church (419 S. 6th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147).

POWER Legislative Assembly: On Tuesday, May 9th from 7:00–9:00 PM, POWER will hold its spring Legislative Assembly (location to be determined).

And if you missed the DA forum last week, you have another chance. On Thursday, May 4th at 7:00 PM, POWER's Live Free Strategy Team will host a **District Attorney Candidate Forum** at Mishkan Shalom Synagogue in Roxborough (4101 Freeland Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19128).

As always, please contact Betsy Connor (betsyfconnor@gmail.com), Nancy Megley (nmegley@msn.com), or Wilhelmina Young (thecatalyst212@yahoo.com) with any POWER-related questions.

Hearts on Fire!

This event will feature ASUMC members: Deaconess Darlene DiDomineck, US-2 Missionary Rachel Ternes, and Grace Café Worship Team Member John Buzby

Faithful Christians from around the Eastern PA Conference, whether committed to or just concerned about biblical and Wesleyan values of peace with justice, are invited to gather on **Saturday, May 13, at Holy Cross UMC in Reading, PA from 9am to 3pm**. There they will explore and engage hearts and minds in their shared struggles against racism and other forms of oppression. **“Hearts on Fire: Stories of Shalom and Social Holiness”** is planned as a major learning, networking and mobilizing event, unlike any before it, to create “a diverse network of people connected by story, committed to justice and collaborating for peace.” The theme is inspired by the Apostle Paul’s encouraging admonition in Romans 12:11-13: “Never let the fire in your heart go out. Keep it alive. Serve the Lord. When you hope, be joyful. When you suffer, be patient. When you pray, be faithful. Share with God’s people who are in need. Welcome others into your homes.”

Sunday May 7th: Learn about Wage Theft and the Upcoming Primary Election!

On Sunday May 7th, in a belated celebration of International Workers Day which takes place on May 1st, we invite you to join the United Methodist Women as they discuss wage theft and the upcoming Primary Election. We will meet immediately following the 11 am worship service in the second floor conference room. Everyone is welcome - men, women, children, crying babies---come one, come all! The basis of our discussion is a **16-page comic** in Spanish and English written by Interfaith Worker Justice entitled **Wage Theft: Crime and Justice**, which will be available from Margaret on Sunday April 23 and April 30. In addition to the discussion of the topic of wage theft, there will also be a discussion of the **upcoming Primary Election on Tuesday May 16**. In this election, voters will elect the Party candidates for District Attorney, Controller, and Judges on the Court of Common Plea and the Municipal Court in Philadelphia. In addition, there are three important state-wide elections in Pennsylvania—we are electing judges for the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court, and Pennsylvania Superior Court. **We will have information on all the candidates**. So plan to join us on May 7th! For more information, contact Margaret Harris (margaretharris@me.com).

Arch St. United Methodist Women's Calendar 2017

Sunday April 23: UMW GAT

Sunday May 7: UMW: Discussion of Wage Theft, which is an 18 page comic. I've ordered it. This counts as Social Action. We will also have a discussion about the upcoming Primary Election. Know your candidates, etc.

May 20 - Spiritual Life Retreat 9:30 - 12:00- Theme - A Bead & a Prayer presented by our own Rachel Ternes. This is a Conference UMW event.

June 4: UMW: Quarterly Book Discussion: Spiritual Growth Book: Living into Hope by Joan Brown Campbell.

June 11: Pride Parade Sunday! March everybody, march!
June 25 UMW GAT.

Friday August 11: 6 pm to whenever. Annual UMW Potluck at Margaret's house. No book discussion. No agenda. Just fun.

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 Arch Street 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 gracecafehillly@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 Acts 2:14a, 36-41, 1Peter 1:17-23, and Luke 24:13-35 readings for NEXT week are. Acts 2:42-47, 1Peter 2:19-25, and John 10:1-10.

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday, April 16, 2017 was 248 and Grace Café was 165. Your tithes, gifts, and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *Laura Dragon, Joyce Mojher, Arlice White, Bill Hilley, Anna Burton, Ms. Dolly, Virginia Wilks, Evelyn James, Jonathan Legg,*

Lisa Lore, Max Northouse, Pat Taylor, Alma Dopson, Cynthia Dupree, Mrs. Mastrando, Chris Whaley, James Hearn, Zeke Sanders, Geraldine Bradley, Michael Bowman, Jazzy, Helena & Jackie Yorker, Mrs. Bowman, Ann Bishton, Rev. James Pittman, Evelyn Tinsley, Constance James, Deanna Cotton, 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: *Pastor Hynicka and family, Regina Bedell and family, Dale Shillito and family, Anna Burton, Rick Taylor and family, 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, 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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