

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.”

Proverb 22:6

May 14, 2017
8:30 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

PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE

May 14, 2017

Fifth Sunday in Easter

PRELUDE

PRAISE SINGING

#545 "The Church's One Foundation"

#2146 "His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

#2246 "Deep in the Shadow of the Past"

OPENING PRAYER

WELCOME TO ARCH STREET & PASSING OF THE PEACE

JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

REGISTRATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE READING

Dottie Wells

Acts 7:55-60

1 Peter 2:2-10

SPECIAL MUSIC # 2214 "Lead Me, Guide Me"

*GOSPEL LESSON John 14:1-14

SERMON "Heart Trouble" Reverend Robin Hynicka

CLOSING HYMN # 2272 "Holy Ground"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE #2208 "Guide My Feet"

Musician: James Dell'Orefice

Nursery: Guy McNeill

Worship Leader: Nicola Jefferson

Calendar of Events

May 14 to May 19, 2017

SUN	05/14	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 12:20 to 3:00 Deaconess Darlene, Sanctuary 2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service 5:30 Grace Café Devotions 6:00 Grace Café
MON	05/15	1:00 Tea & Talk, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
TUES	05/16	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary
WED	05/17	6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
THUR	05/18	5:00 Diversity, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
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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



DON'T FORGET TO VOTE THIS TUESDAY, MAY 16TH

In Pennsylvania there is an important Primary Election this Tuesday May 16th. Polls are open from 7 am to 8 pm.

In Philadelphia, we are choosing the Democratic and Republican candidates for District Attorney and Controller, as well as Judges for the Court of Common Pleas and the Municipal Court. Since Philadelphia is so heavily Democratic, the winners of the Primary will probably be the winners in the General Election in November. This means that the Primary Election in Philadelphia is extremely important.

In addition, Philadelphia voters, as well as all Pennsylvania voters, will be choosing the Party candidates for the PA Supreme Court, the PA Superior Court, and the PA Commonwealth Court.

The judicial races are very important because after the census of 2020, there will be redistricting in Pennsylvania and the Supreme Court will have an important role in that process. In addition, the Commonwealth Court is very important because that is where cases involving funding for public education, environmental protection, worker rights, and healthcare are likely to be decided.

If you would like information about the candidates, see Margaret Harris in church, email her at margaretharris@me.com, or call her at 215-568-2206.

Student Recognition and Choir Appreciation Sunday

Sunday, June 4, 2017 is Choir Appreciation and Student Recognition Sunday. Most of ASUMC's 2017 graduates will be in worship that Sunday and will take part in the service. Several of ASUMC's graduates have been featured in recent announcements. Parents, guardians and friends of our graduates are asked to submit information about each graduate so they too can be featured in the What's Happening.

Also on Sunday, June 4, 2017 The Sanctuary Choir under the direction of Adam Haines will be featured and honored for their dedicated service to the congregation. Everyone is encouraged to share with Adam and the choir their personal thanks and appreciation for the beauty and depth of meaning they add to the worship experience at ASUMC.

Central District Conference

The Central District Conference and celebration entitled "Celebrating Our Past As We Look Forward to Our Future" is scheduled for Sunday, May 21, 2017. The conference will be held at the Berwyn United Methodist Church, 140 Waterloo Road, Berwyn, PA 19312. The District Conference will be held from 3:00-3:45 for Delegates to Annual Conference. (No fee or registration required). A reception celebrating the ministry of Dr. Powell with music and refreshments will follow at 3:45pm. (Registration Required. Cost \$7.00). Everyone is welcome to attend the celebration. The deadline for registration is today, May 14, 2017. Register at <https://epaumc.churchcenteronline.com/registrations/events/56030>.



HEALTH FAIR
SUNDAY, MAY 21
1-4 PM

More ASUMC Graduates

ASUMC member, Brian Schenk received his Master of Fine Arts degree from the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts on Friday, May 12. His art work, along with those of his fellow students, will be on display at an exhibition at the Academy, three floors of the M. V. Hamilton Building, until June 4, 2017. Members and friends of the congregation are encouraged to go see the exhibit. Congratulations, Brian, and God bless you!

Jordan Harris, ASUMC member and former staff member will graduate on May 20th, 2017 with a Master's in Divinity. He was inducted into the Student Leadership Society of The Boston University School of Theology. This honor is especially meaningful because students, faculty and staff vote to select persons who demonstrate outstanding leadership in the community. In addition, on Friday, May 19th, Jordan will be inducted into the Alumni of the Association of Black Seminarians. On July 1st, Jordan starts his first full-time appoint as the Associate Pastor of Union United Methodist Church in the South End of Boston. Union was the first Historical African American UMC Church to become reconciling and will be celebrating 200 years as a congregation in 2018. Great work Jordan. Your ASUMC Family is very proud of you and we remain in prayer with and for you.

Grace Café Health Fair

The Grace Café Community will host a Health Fair on Sunday, May 21, 2017 from 1pm – 4pm. Everyone is welcome to visit the various tables in Nichols Hall where they can access health related services and information. For more information contact Deaconess Darlene DiDomineck at darlene.didomineck@gmail.com

HELP US HELP ROBESON COUNTY !!



Spring is here and Robeson County Church is hard at work.

For the last eight years, **ASUMC Youth** have traveled to Lumberton and Pembroke NC to work alongside local leaders on various improvement projects. The Robeson County Church and Community Center is the heart and soul of support for the poor of Robeson County – the poorest county in NC. The Center was under flood waters in the Fall of last year due to Hurricane Matthew. The Center and the people that work there are well known to Arch Street UMC. Currently, the Home Store has been restored but there are other buildings of the center that still need work. Pastor Kelly stated that funds and volunteers are desperately needed to clean up and restore the Center so they can resume all functions. **The United Methodist Church is the driving force behind the Center's work** and the **ASUMC Youth** are so close to this NC community they ask for your help. **Pastor Robin has set a stretch goal of \$8,000.** We have collected a little over \$3000. Please use the special offering envelope inserted in the bulletin for your gift. Checks should be made out to Arch Street UMC with the words **Flood Relief** on the memo line. Bless your heart for your generosity.

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for those able to get around The Broad Street Run last Sunday May 7, 2017 was 97 and Grace Café was 250. Your tithes, gifts, and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.



News and Events

It was good to see some ASUMC POWER regulars and a few new volunteers at last week's POWER events.

At the Justice Revival in Mother Bethel Church last Sunday night Rev. Dr. Traci Blackmon, who was in the national spotlight in Ferguson Missouri in 2014, preached powerfully that God wants us to stick together to work for the people that need us.

At the Legislative Assembly on Tuesday we heard reports from the Economic Dignity, Live Free, and Education Strategy teams. These teams, voted into existence years ago in early POWER meetings, have had impressive successes and have plans to work together for living wages, true criminal justice, and better public schools.

And of course the work continues.

We are asking for your participation. Please commit to one or more of the following actions:

Rapid Response Training **May 15 and 30**. Remember when thousands of Philadelphians gathered at the airport with only a few hours notice to protest the travel ban (that has since been suspended by the courts)? There are so many threats to our causes and our people that POWER has established a Rapid Response Team to alert us to urgent issues and what we can do (like show up to protest, write letters, call legislators). Contact Betsy, Nancy or Wilhelmina (see below).

On **May 22 at 12:00 noon**, March from City Hall to PECO to ask them for a commitment to solar jobs and 20% of electric power from solar energy by 2025. This is the last leg of a total of 100 miles of walking to local examples of "dirty" and "clean" energy in the area.

Please save the date of **Wednesday June 21** to take a POWER bus to Harrisburg. We will join hundreds of other PA citizens to demand that our legislators end the immoral and racist funding of our schools. Fact: if Philadelphia received the funding it is entitled to if all state dollars were fairly distributed our schools would receive \$1900 more **per child (!)** than we are getting now through a system proven to be racist.

We can make a huge difference together. Please join us.

Betsy Connor (215-232-7186, betsyfconnor@gmail.com),
Nancy Megley (215-574-8320, nmegley@msn.com),
or Wilhelmina Young (215-227-4034, thecatalyst212@yahoo.com)



The Shalom Center invites you to meet and to honor three crucial activists who “Sow the Seeds of Transformative Leadership” at a celebration on **Sunday May 21, 2017** in Philadelphia:

Bill McKibben, world-renowned leader of 350.org and of campaigns against the Keystone XL Tar Sands dirty-oil pipeline.

Bishop Dwayne Royster, political director of PICO, the national umbrella for religious congregation-based community organizing, with a special concern for and involvement with African-American and Latino communities.

Sophia Wilansky, the young anti-pipeline organizer who, after stints working against oil-delivery pipelines in New England and New York, came to Standing Rock as a Water Protector and was cruelly wounded by the militarized police.

The celebration will include a dinner and an honor event where we will hear from these three activists. Registration is now open. It is \$50 for an individual registering for the honor event, and \$180 for both the dinner and the honor event. A student/disemployed discount is available.

Seating is limited, and prices go up on 5/8/17. Register today at: <https://theshalomcenter.org/SowingSeeds>

Proceeds of the event go to the Shalom Center's work for justice, peace, and healing of the Earth.

Arch St. United Methodist Women's Calendar 2017

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 Emilie United Methodist Church. 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 gracecafehilly@gmail.com Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcome

Summer Camp Information

Check out the EPA UMC Camp & Retreat Ministry camps

Carson Simpson Farm: csfarm.org

Gretna Glen: gretnaglen.org

Pocono Plateau: poconoplateau.org

Camp Innabah: innabah.org

Written materials available from the church office.

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 17:22-31, 1Peter 3:13-22, and John 14:15-21. Readings for NEXT week are Acts 1:6-14, 1Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11, and John 17:1-11.



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: *The family of Leroy Middleton, Anna Burton, Rick Taylor and family, Marge Donnelly and family, Bill Gatewood, 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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