

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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September 3, 2017

8:30 AM Service

Senior Pastor, Reverend Robin Hynicka

Deacons, Reverend Nikki Kelley Kleinberg,

Reverend David Krueger,

Deaconess, Darlene DiDomineck

US2, Carmen Francesco

Music Director, Adam Haines

Secretaries, Anne McCormick, Charlie Meyers

Building Supervisor, Frank Jones

Sextons, Devon Goodwin, Russell Whaley,

John Buzby, Toni McIlwaine, Joe Kalil



*Praise the Lord! Praise God in his
sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament!
Psalm 150:1*

PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE

September 3, 2017

13th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

PRAISE SINGING #116 "The God of Abraham Praise"
#451 "Take Up Thy Cross"
#448 "Go Down, Moses"

OPENING PRAYER

WELCOME TO ARCH STREET & PASSING OF THE PEACE

JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

REGISTRATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OF TITHES & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE READING Dottie Wells

Exodus 3:1-15

Romans 12:9-21

SPECIAL MUSIC #449 "Our Earth We Now Lament to See"

GOSPEL Matthew 16:21-28

SERMON "Follow?"
Reverend Robin Hynicka

COMMUNION #2272 "Holy Ground" (Instrumental)

CLOSING #2129 "I have decided to follow Jesus"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE #2242 "Walk With Me"

Musician: James Dell'Orefice
Worship Leader:

Calendar of Events

September 3rd through September 12th

SUN	09/03	8:30 Worship Service, Chapel 9:45 Adult Sunday School 11:00 Children's Sunday School, Chapel 11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary 2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service
MON	9/04	<i>Church Closed on Labor Day</i> 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
TUES	9/05	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary 6:00 Unity Bible Study
WED	9/06	10:00 One Step Away 6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
THUR	9/07	5:00 Diversity, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
FRI	9/08	10:00 One Step Away, Room A
SUN	9/10	8:30 Worship Service, Chapel 9:45 Adult Sunday School 11:00 Children's Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service, Sanctuary 12:20 Get Acquainted Time 2:00 Unity Fellowship Church Service 5:30 Grace Café Devotions 6:30 <i>Grace Café Community Meal</i>
MON	9/11	10:00 One Step Away Room A 1:00 Tea & Talk 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Band
TUES	9/12	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary 6:00 Unity Bible Study

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING



5 Things You Can Do In Response to Hurricane Harvey

1.) Please **continue to pray** for those whose lives have been impacted by hurricane/tropical storm Harvey. Please also pray for the Early Response Teams, disaster coordinators, and the many staff and volunteers who are working tirelessly to provide relief after Harvey.

2.) **Make flood buckets, relief kits and health kits.** - UMCOR has warehouses across the country stocked with Relief Kits and other supplies ready for the next truck headed to an area of immediate need. Putting together Relief Kits can be done by a family or small group or as a larger church effort.

3.) **Give to UMCOR's relief and recovery efforts.** -You can give online to UMCOR's Domestic Disaster **Advance #901670**; or send a check for UMCOR, with the Advance number in the notation line, to our **Conference Treasurer**, Eastern PA Conference, United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 820, Valley Forge, PA 19482.

4.) **Wait to donate only those items requested.** As needs become known in Texas and neighboring states, the affected conferences will reach out. Please do not send "stuff" to the damaged areas. Wait for specific requests from UMCOR or local governments.

5.) **Please wait** for an invitation to volunteer

Arch St. United Methodist Women's Calendar 2017

United Methodist Women Meet on September 17th

The United Methodist Women invite all women to join them for their first meeting of the fall on Sunday September 17th. We meet in the second floor conference room, immediately following the 11 am worship service. Everyone is welcome. If you are unsure where that is, ask anyone for help.

Although we usually meet on the second Sunday of the month, in both September and October we are meeting on the third Sunday instead. At the September meeting we will discuss our plans for the year and how you can become involved in our work to support women and children both near, at home, and around the world. We will also be distributing the book for our October book discussion, Falling Into Place: A Memoir of Overcoming, by Hattie Kaufman. Don't worry you have plenty of time to read it before the discussion on October 15th.



Request for Assistance from Scranton, PA

Dear Arch Street Church,

My name is Evie, and my daughter is Maria. She is adopted from Russia. Maria is 20 and has Aspergers. We live in NE, PA. Maria will be getting special services in Philadelphia over this year to allow her to become more functional in her adult life, which is only available in your area. We are looking for temporary housing during the week for September through June 2018, excluding weekends and holidays. It could be a room with kitchen privileges or part of a house. I could even be a senior companion while my daughter is busy during the day. I can pay for housing. I am very active in church. Thank you for your time and prayers.
EvangelineMur@msn.com

Ideas Request From Reverend Robin

Think about a word that describes the 8:30 & 11am service and write it down in your service card.



ACT

NOW

DACA has allowed thousands to pursue their dreams, to live without fear of deportation in the country they call home, and to invest in their future and in the future of our country. Ending DACA would be morally reprehensible, denying hundreds of thousands of young people the chance to integrate and thrive. Our immigrant brothers and sisters deserve dignity, welcome, and the opportunity to flourish.

Everyone: SAVE DACA (Deferred action for Childhood arrivals) by making calls today!

Tell the White House ([202-456-1111](tel:202-456-1111)) & Congress ([202-224-3121](tel:202-224-3121)) that You OPPOSE Terminating DACA!

The United Methodist Church supports the steps taken by President Obama (including DACA) as a necessary, temporary step that allowed certain groups of immigrants to apply for temporary legal status ([Book of Resolutions, 3281](#)). The Church also supports the adoption of the DREAM Act as legislation to protect DACA recipients ([Book of Resolutions, 3164](#)).

The Other

Arch Street plays host once more to a Fringe Festival performance on September 8th at 7 PM and 9th at 3PM and 7PM.

Yes! And. Collaborative Arts' Shadow Company

The teens of the Shadow Company of Yes! And...Collaborative Arts are back with another original, innovative piece using the power of shadows, movement and... music. Dive into the world of "The Other", a place where people have segregated themselves into us vs. them. Who have you made the other? Tickets are available at the door or contact the Fringe box office at 215.413.1318.

\$10 / 60 minutes



Betsy, Wilhelmina, Dottie, and Nancy went to an exciting Action Team meeting on August 8th and we want to share it with you. Briefly, POWER is developing a 5-year strategic plan to attract funding and keep our efforts focused. The first step was for each strategy team to draft a 1-year plan. We heard those presentations and gave feedback. The teams will now refine their plans for presentation at the September meeting. Here is what they are proposing:

Education – In time for the 2018/19 school year: (1) pass a new state law to distribute 100% of school funding through the Fair Funding Formula; (2) dissolve the SRC and return control of city schools to Philadelphia.

Economic Dignity – (1) Enact a Twenty-first Century Minimum Wage of \$15/hour for city contractors and subcontractors; (2) get PECO's commitment to source 20% of its energy from local renewable sources by 2025.

Live Free – End cash bail. This would reduce Philadelphia's jail population by two-thirds and end the devastation caused to individuals and families when a poor person is unable to make even a modest cash bail and loses his or her job and home while waiting for a trial date.

This is a bold, prophetic vision for changing entrenched laws and practices that hurt some of our most vulnerable communities and neighbors. Stay tuned for ways you can help in this important work—and start by joining us at the September 12th Action Team meeting!

You can read the full strategic plans at the bulletin board in the chapel lobby or ask Nancy Megley for a copy. And of course, if you want to get involved in this work, you can contact the POWER office (215-232-7697, info@powerphiladelphia.org) or speak directly with Betsy Connor (215-232-7186, betsyfconnor@gmail.com), Nancy Megley (215-574-8320, nmegley@msn.com), or Wilhelmina Young (thecatalyst212@yahoo.com, 215-227-4034).

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 Exodus 12:1-14, Romans 13:8-14, and Matthew 18:15-20. Readings for NEXT week are Exodus 14:19-31, Romans 14:1-12, and Matthew 18:21-35.

New Sanctuary Movement

Join the Petition Delivery to Mayor Kenney in Support of Live Stop Campaign on September 7th at 1 pm

On Thursday September 7th at 1pm please meet other New Sanctuary Movement members at the northeast corner of City Hall to deliver petitions to the Mayor about the Live Stop Campaign. This is a campaign to end discriminatory towing in Philadelphia. Only drivers in Philadelphia who are stopped by the police that can't show a driver's license have their car towed immediately. They aren't given the opportunity to call friend or family members who have a driver's license to come meet them and drive the car away. This means that they must pay for towing and other fees to retrieve their car. The Live Stop Law penalizes poor people who have to drive to meet their basic needs in Philadelphia. By automatically towing cars and charging cumulative fees for their recovery, it disproportionately affects people who cannot afford to renew their insurance, undocumented immigrants who by law cannot obtain driver's licenses, and drivers of color who are frequently stopped as a result of racial profiling.

Good News! ASUMC Youth and Young Adult Travel to Robeson County

The Youth and Young Adults, accompanied by Pastor Robin Hynicka and Marge Donnelly, have returned safely from their Mission Trip to North Carolina. For the last eight years, **ASUMC Youth** have traveled to Lumberton and Pembroke NC to work alongside local leaders on various improvement projects. This year they helped restore a home of an elderly couple whose house was destroyed in last year's Hurricane Matthew and the flooding that ensued. After the flood, they sought to raise a relief fund; we are happy to say that the **ASUMC** has accomplished the goal of raising over **\$8,000 for Robeson County**. We thank you for your generosity.

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday August 27th was 87. Your tithes, gifts, and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you

Bill Gatewood

Bill passed away on August 8th. A memorial service will be held here at Arch Street UMC on September 23rd. Our prayers go out to Rick Taylor and the Gatewood family.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Reconciling United Methodists of Eastern PA's (RUM-EPA) participation at the 2017 Philadelphia Trans Health Conference is taking place at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Center City, Philadelphia. The conference runs from Thurs., 07-Sep-2017 to Sat. 09-Sep-2017. There are still several slots available (marked "OPEN") across each of the 3 days, particularly on Friday and Saturday. Their goal is to staff 2-3 volunteers at the table at a time for 3-hour shifts.

RUM-EPA currently has a table reserved at the Convention Center where we will be circulating pamphlets and literature about our organization in a manner similar to what was done at the UMC's Annual Conference and last year's Outfest. **If anyone has any extra pamphlets, business cards, banners, signs, posters, etc. that they would like to use at the table to advertise their congregation, please let me know.** There's a short baptismal renewal liturgy we will be performing at our station for conference attendees who are transitioning to male or female and are interested in renewing their baptismal vows. Any of us can recite the liturgy and I think doing so at the conference will highlight our organization's support of the LGBTQIA community.

<https://www.mazzonicenter.org/trans-health>

Open Shifts:

September 7; 8:30-11:30am (one spot)
11:30-2:30pm (two spots)

September 8; 12:00-2:30pm (three spots)
2:30-5:30pm (two spots)

September 9; 8:30-11:30am (two spots)
11:30-2:30pm (two spots)
2:30-5:30pm (two spots)

Email : secretary@archstreetumc.org if you're interested in participating.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *Rethel, M. McCormick, Debbie DeShields Michael Adams, Owen Brazelton, Rick Taylor, Holly McVaughn, Bill Witman, Laura Dragon, Joyce Mojher, Bill Hilley, Anna Burton, Jonathan Legg, Lisa Lore, Max Northouse, Pat Taylor, Cynthia Dupree, Mrs. Mastrando, Chris Whaley, James Hearn, 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 Darounda A.Nichols, The family and friends of Michael Canon, Anna Burton, Marge Donnelly and family, Mat Hearn, 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, 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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