

# Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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**September 10, 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*



**Musician:** Adam Haines

**Worship Leader:** Remone Mundle

**Nursery Attendant:**

# **PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE**

**September 10, 2017**

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

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**PRELUDE** Instrumental

## **PRAISE SINGING**

#557 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

#2178 "Here Am I

#2172 "We Are Called"

## **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

Exodus 12:1-14

Romans 13: 8-14

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Instrumental

**\*GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 18:15-20

**SERMON** "The God That Wasn't There"  
Rev. Warren Cederholm

**CLOSING HYMN** #77 How Great Thou Art

## **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** Instrumental

# *Calendar of Events*

## September 10<sup>rd</sup> through September 16th

<b>SUN</b>	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>
<b>MON</b>	9/11	10:00 One Step Away Room A 1:00 Tea & Talk 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Band
<b>TUES</b>	9/12	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary 6:00 Unity Bible Study
<b>WED</b>	9/13	10:00 One Step Away 6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
<b>THUR</b>	9/14	5:00 Diversity, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
<b>FRI</b>	9/15	10:00 One Step Away, Room A
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# 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.



### **Last Chance to share your ideas with Rev. Robin**

Think about a word that describes the 8:30 and 11am services and write it down in your service card. He is looking for words that reflect the services which are different and unique. Thanks for your help.



## Skilled Volunteers Need

Do you enjoy crafts? Do you paint? Knit? Have a steady hand? Perfect! Come sign up to complete the mural in Nichols Hall. Our new secretary Charlie Meyers is also an artist. He has volunteered to lead in the completion of the mural. Email him at [charliejmeyers@gmail.com](mailto:charliejmeyers@gmail.com) if you would like to participate and when you are available.



## CCORD Asks, “Where is the Restaurant?”

The Aloft Hotel (101 N Broad Street) is a new hotel development, immediately across the street from Arch Street United Methodist Church (ASUMC). They are benefitting from \$33 million in tax-payer subsidies. In return for those subsidies it is reasonable that the project provide a significant community benefit. Often that benefit is defined in terms of the number of permanent jobs created. In this case, the project promised 170 jobs, but due to a change in plan 115 of those jobs were eliminated when they decided not to include a full-service restaurant. That change in plan did not affect the public subsidies. In fact, one funding source required that the project benefit a low-income community and it is clear Center City is not that.

ASUMC along with Old Frist Reformed United Church of Christ, The Ethical Society and POWER are a member of *Center City Organized for Responsible Development (CCORD)*. **CCORD** is registered with the City Planning Commission as a Recognized Community Organization and are authorized to engage developers in dialogue about their projects. **CCORD** has many questions concerning the community benefit now associated with the Aloft Hotel and has made several requests for information and a meeting to discuss questions without any success!

**The time has come to stage an action** that will press the developer to sit down with the members of **CCORD** and have a forthright dialogue about the public benefit the project will provide.

*Please help us make this ask by joining us:*

**Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 5pm:**

On the steps of ASUMC, on the Arch Street side across from the Aloft Hotel

Our goal is to gather 115 people to represent the number of jobs eliminated from their broken promise.

*Our message is clear: Where is the restaurant? Where are the jobs? Where is the community benefit? Where is the accountability? There is a "RESTAURANT THEME" for the action and those attending are asked to wear an apron, chef's hat or bring cooking utensils, pot and pans.*

ASUMC is responsible for turning out 20 people to the event. Reverend Hynicka has been asked to address the rally and would appreciate your support.



**ACT  
NOW**

## **New Sanctuary Movement**

Trump Ends DACA: Immigrants Respond and Call For Action  
Today Attorney Jeff Sessions announced that DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) will end in six months, betraying 800,000 youths who have DACA, their families and friends. Here are the details:

- The Administration will end DACA in 6 months - on March 5, 2018.
- Those who have DACA will be able to keep it until their permits expire.
- It closes the door on all new applicants.
- For those DACA permits expire between now and March 5th, they can renew them for another 2 years, but must apply before October 5th.

**"I am so sad and so angry. I am on maternity leave, and I was just thinking about looking for a job and going back to work in a few months. Now what? How am I supposed to tell a job that I will only be able to work until my permit expires? It's not fair that Trump is**



**taking that away from me. We need to come together and fight for something better."** -Yesika Martinez, DACA recipient, NSM member from St. Peter the Apostle Church

**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](#)).



**On Tuesday, September 12th**, come to POWER's monthly Action Team meeting to hear each strategy team present their plan for the coming year and learn how you can support their work. The meeting will take place at the POWER office, 1149 N. 11<sup>th</sup> Street (2 blocks north of Girard on SEPTA's #23 bus route) from 7:00-9:00 PM with pizza available at 6:30. Here is what the teams 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](mailto: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 14:19-31, Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 (UMH 135) Romans 14:1-12 , and Matthew 18:21-35 . Readings for NEXT week are Exodus 16:2-15, Philippians 1:21-30, and Matthew 20:1-16.

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### **A Look at Our Faithfulness**

Combined attendance for last Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup> was 69. Your tithes, gifts, and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you

### **Bill Gatewood**

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

### **Welcome back 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 volunteer groups. Today's dinner is provided by the Whaley Family in

memory of Michael Cannon, who was a volunteer and helped with our Christmas Breakfast. Tonight, our own Joe Kalil and staff are responsible for the preparation. 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 [gracecafe Philly@gmail.com](mailto:gracecafe Philly@gmail.com) Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcome.



## 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, Cynthis 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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