

Arch Street United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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October 22, 2017

10:00 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

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM

October 22, 2017

20th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING MUSIC

PRELUDE "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" Ferguson

CHORAL INTROIT "As the Deer"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN #101 "From All that Dwells Below the Skies"

*ACT OF REPENTANCE

Gathered here on this Holy Ground, The Psalmist reminds us that **The earth is the Creator's, and everything in it - this world and all who live in it.**

We confess that many who have come before us misrepresented Holy Scripture to dispossess indigenous inhabitants of their homes and sovereignty; claimed divine authority to take these lands; and used treaties as tools of imperial exploitation.

They forgot, but we must remember: The earth is the Creator's, and everything in it - this world and all who live in it.

We confess that the "Doctrine of Discovery" harms all it touches: the generations of those it has oppressed; the spirits of those who use it to oppress. Hope of Healing calls us to remember:

The earth is the Creator's, and everything in it -this world and all who live in it.

We confess that as present-day residents of our precious Mother Earth, we have not been faithful stewards of her care nor of the circle of life and all our relations, human and non-human. All Creation calls us to remember:

The earth is the Creator's, and everything in it - this world and all who live in it.

(Moment of Silence)

Let us pray together:

On this day we come, seeking divine forgiveness and holding ourselves accountable to live in faithfulness and reconciliation for the sake of the earth and the generations to come. We believe in the Holy One, Maker of us all, who is faithful and frees us to walk in wholeness. We believe and accept the good news of Christ's peace, justice, healing and joy!

Adapted from a Call to Confession written by The Rev. Ann Jefferson, Pastor, and Director of Community Life and Pastoral Care, Pacific School of Religion and member of City of Refuge UCC in Oakland, CA.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Spirit Wing

CLAIMING OUR HOPE

SCRIPTURE READING

Rhonda Moore

Exodus 33:12-23

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Sithi Bonga"

South African

***GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 22:15-22

SERMON

Barbara Durmont-Hill

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Spirit Wing

AFFIRMING OUR MISSION

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Spirit Wing

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 #428** “For the Healing of the Nations”

***BENEDICTION** “I Am Not Forgotten” Grace Café Worship Team

***POSTLUDE** “I Believe” Mark Miller
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Hearing devices available in the church office.*



Musician: James Dell'Orefice

Worship Leader: Remone Mundle

Nursery Attendant: Guy McNeill



Calendar of Events

October 22nd to October 29th

SUN	10/22	10:00 Native American Sunday 11:30 Get Acquainted Time 12:00 Charge Conference 12:20-3 Deaconess Darlene 12:30 UMW 2:00 Unity Fellowship Serv, Chapel 5:30 Grace Café Devotions <i>6:00 Grace Café</i>
MON	10/23	1:00 Tea & Talk 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall 7:00 Band
TUES	10/24	12:00 Hour of Power, Sanctuary 6:30 Unity Bible Study
WED	10/25	6:00 AA, Nichols Hall
THUR	10/26	5:00 Diversity, Chapel 5:30 AA, Nichols Hall
SAT	10/28	10:00 United Methodist Men
SUN	10/29	8:30 Worship, Chapel 9:45 Adult Sunday School. 2 nd fl. 9:45 Choir Rehearsal, choir 11:00 Worship, Sanctuary 11:00 Children's Sunday School 2:00 Unity Fellowship Serv, Chapel 5:30 Grace Café Devotions <i>6:00 Grace Café</i>

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Today's Guest Speaker

Biography of Barbara Dumont-Hill



Barbara Dumont-Hill, a First Nation Algonquin (Native American), was born on the Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg Reserve which is located in the Province of Quebec. She is the tenth of 13 children born to courageous Algonquin parents, and she is descended from a long line of Anishinabeg. Barbara is Turtle Clan and has been following the red road for over 30 years. She was humbled by being asked to serve as an Elder with the 2015 Walking With Our Sisters memorial installation, and she has served as Elder for Algonquin College's Mamedosewin Centre and

Tewegan House, a transition place for young Indigenous women in Ottawa. Most recently, Barbara was asked to serve as Elder adviser to the Canadian Department of Justice legal team working with the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. Barbara continues to promote reconciliation by facilitating Blanket Exercises - a participative exercise that teaches Canadian Indigenous history. Barbara continues to deepen her culture by studying her language, and by drumming and singing the songs that honour her ancestors.

Charge Conference

Arch Street UMC's Charge Conference will be held here today at 12:00 NOON. All members are invited to attend.

Welcome to 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. *187 people attended last week's Grace Cafe.* Today's dinner is provided by *Emilie UMC Levittown PA*. 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 and Carmen Francesco at gracecafephilly@gmail.com. Greeters, servers and clean-up crew are needed and always welcome.



Climate Justice and Jobs Convening

Climate, Justice, and Jobs | Building the Beloved Community | Oct 23. 17

powerinterfaith.org

TO REGISTER

Visit

<https://goo.gl/2stVpW>

On Monday from 12-2pm, we will gather at Community College of Philadelphia for a lunch and fireside chat that includes the perspectives of Community, Faith, and Labor followed by questions and discussion, cosponsored by CCP, AFT Local 2026. There is no cost for this program.

Music, Dance & Worship Night

Dream, Believe, and Achieve | Join Us For Worship | Nov 3. 17 | 7 PM

For more information, please call

267-229-5980

Are you tired of abject poverty, devastating disease and brutal meaningless, conflicts? Let's start here! Be a part of the solution!

350 West State Street Media, PA 19063; Admissions \$25.00



In its 6-year history, POWER has faced—and changed—significant social injustices. The results of our work have impressed:

- Powerful politicians who take meetings with our leaders and members
- Organizations that fund good causes when they realize that POWER’s people of faith and conscience are effective and are not going away
- New member churches, synagogues and mosques in Philadelphia, in the suburbs, in cities further to the north and in the center of the state who want to be part of our work

Our Executive Director, Rev. Gregory Holston, believes that—although racial injustice is present in the areas in which we have chosen to work (education, living wage, mass incarceration, climate change impact, healthcare, immigration) —the key to our future success lies in working across racial lines with all those who are hurting in our city and state.

The story of POWER can feel like a roller-coaster ride—low moments when city council and state reps break promises, and exhilaration when our campaigns succeed resoundingly. We get through the low times with God’s help, support from POWER friends, and more planning and hard work—even a setback often results in an uplifted spirit and we know we will reach our goal if we keep trying.

POWER’s next monthly meeting is **Tuesday Nov. 14** at 7:00 PM (6:30 for pizza!). Rides from church are available. ASUMC’s POWER Local Organizing Committee will give you a warm welcome when you join us.

Please contact Betsy Connor (betsyfconnor@gmail.com, 215-232-7186), Nancy Megley (nmegley@msn.com, 215-574-8320), or Wilhelmina Young (thecatalyst212@yahoo.com, 215-227-4034) with questions. Information is also available at the POWER website (www.powerphiladelphia.org) or through the POWER office (215-232-7697).

POWER plans and events are posted on the bulletin board in the chapel lobby—read them when you can and watch the bulletin board and this bulletin for announcements about upcoming actions that need our support.

Arch St. United Methodist Women's Calendar

Arch Street reads *Age of Dignity* in November

Arch St. United Methodist Women invite everyone, including men, visitors, curious bystanders, to join us in discussing the book *Age of Dignity* by Ai Jen-Poo on Sunday **November 12**, immediately following the 11 am Worship Service, in the second floor conference room. **Copies of the book will be available from Margaret Harris at church every Sunday until that date, or until we run out!**

Why should you read this book?

In *The Age of Dignity*, thought leader and activist Ai-jen Poo offers a wake-up call about the demographic reality that will affect us all. “We have more senior citizens in America today than we’ve had at any time in our history,” Poo writes, pointing out that more than 14 percent of our population is now over sixty-five; by 2030 that ratio will be one in five. In fact, our fastest-growing demographic is the eighty -five-plus age group—over 5 million people now, a number that is expected to more than double in the next twenty years. This change presents us with a new challenge: how we care for and support quality of life for the unprecedented numbers of older Americans who will need it.

Despite these daunting numbers, Poo has written a profoundly hopeful book, giving us a glimpse into the stories and often hidden experiences of the people—family caregivers, older people, and home care workers—whose lives will be directly shaped and reshaped in this moment of demographic change. *The Age of Dignity* outlines a road map for how we can become a more caring nation, providing solutions for fixing our fraying safety net while also increasing opportunities for women, immigrants, and the unemployed in our workforce. As Poo has said, “Care is the strategy and the solution toward a better future for all of us.” From Amazon Review. Hope you can join us on November 12th.

Celebrate Thanksgiving with immigrants and refugees on Saturday November 18th

Each year NSC (Nationalities Service Center), our neighbor at 1216 Arch Street, welcomes newly arrived refugees and immigrants to a Thanksgiving celebration. This year we are once again hosting this wonderful event in Nichols Hall at Arch St. Church, with our own Marge Donnelly preparing the feast in our kitchen. Guests are invited to come between 1:30 and 3:30 on Saturday November 18th. Would you like to help to make sure everyone feels welcome and has a great time? If so, contact Margaret Harris at margaretharris@me.com or 215-568-2206

It's Not too soon to think about Christmas- Volunteer for our Christmas Party

Every year Arch St. Church hosts a Christmas Party for the Moms and Kids living in the Salvation Army's Eliza Shirley Shelter next door to the church on Arch Street. For years, this party has been organized under the very able and dedicated leadership of Betsy Connor, but this year she has stepped down, so I am asking you to step up so we can once again make it happen.

The date and place are set and on the calendar: Saturday December 9th from 2 to 4 pm in Nichols Hall.

Here are some the ways you can help join in the fun:

- Bake cookies or brownies to share.
- Come early on Saturday to help set up and decorate
- Come to the party and play games, serve food, line dance, and give out presents to Moms and kids.
- Donate money to help cover costs
- Stay late after the party to help clean up
- Invite your friends to volunteer for the day of the party
- Suggest new ideas to make the party more fun

Please talk to Margaret if you have any questions or to volunteer. I can found sitting near the front of the church near Wilhelmina at the 11 am Worship service, reached by telephone (215-568-2206) or email:margaretharris@me.com

UMW Calendar

Arch Street United Methodist Women (UMW) Schedule 2017-2018 Calendar

We usually meet in the second floor conference room of Arch Street UM Church on the second Sunday of the month, but there are several exceptions to this schedule so please check the calendar below to be sure of the dates. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday October 22: UMW GAT in the chapel following the 10 am Special Native American Indian Awareness service.

Sunday, Nov. 12: **UMW Meeting:** Book discussion of Age of Dignity by Ai Jen-Poo.

Saturday, November 18: 1- 4pm. **NSC Thanksgiving Celebration in Nicholls Hall at Arch St. UMC.**

Sunday November 26: UMW GAT in the chapel following the 11 am service.



Javier Flores Garcia Leaves Sanctuary

To the delight of his family, kids, and friends, Javier left sanctuary last Wednesday October 11th after spending 11 months at ASUMC. The recipient of a special visa for

assisting the police whilst being a victim of a crime, Javier is now able to rejoin his family and no longer risk deportation by I.C.E. His case was a rare win within the sanctuary movement, bringing hope to those facing deportation and has brought the attention of media including the New York Times, Washington Post, and ABC News. Throughout the day, his little boy Javier ran through the halls of the office with delight, waiting for everything to be over, happy for his Dad to finally come home. Suffice it to say, it was a very good day.

"Joyful Noise"
Gospel Concert

Featuring: Philadelphia Mission ConneXion Choirs
at
Tindley Temple United Methodist Church
750 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146

November 5, 2017 at 3:00pm

East District Mission ConneXion



Arch Street - Devereux - Emmanuel
Haven Peniel - Mid-Town Parish - Mother African Zoar
Mount Zion - New Vision - St. George's - Tindley Temple - Trinity

STATEMENT FROM UNITED METHODIST BISHOPS

‘A Clean Dream Act’

WASHINGTON – Today (October 5) was the deadline for DACA recipients to have their renewal forms in to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). They had exactly one month to gather their documents, and raise the funds for their renewals and to pay lawyers to assist them. This was no small effort for young people who all too often live in extreme poverty.

We are praying for DACA recipients and their families and all undocumented immigrant communities as they continue to find themselves in the unending crisis of being undocumented in this country. By March 5th, 2018, Congress must determine how it will respond to this crisis. We urge Congress to begin by passing a Clean Dream Act.

A Clean Dream Act would allow undocumented young people the opportunity to work, receive an education and serve in the U.S. military. It would also provide them with a pathway to citizenship. What it would not do is use undocumented young people against their parents, families, and immigrant communities.

Some of the negotiating that is already occurring in Congress and with the Trump Administration would grant a Dream Act but demand the compromise of more dollars for increased immigration enforcement, border security and the building of a wall between the U.S. and Mexico. Enforcement, border security and a wall are not the solutions to our broken immigration policies. Using young people to leverage funding for such misdirected efforts that unjustly punish their parents and others, including these very young people, is cruel and gains nothing positive for them or the country.

We continue to believe that government leaders have the wisdom and the resources at their disposal to create and implement a Clean Dream Act that will protect vulnerable young people for whom the U.S. is the only home they know and have. A Clean Dream Act could be the beginning of helpful and healing immigration reform in the U.S., and even inspire the reform of migration laws around the world that would help young people everywhere.

Bishop Bruce R. Ough: President, Council of Bishops
Bishop Minerva Carcaño: Chair, Immigration Task Force

HEALTHY COOKING WORKSHOP

Join us for a free healthy cooking workshop that includes:

- Low-cost cooking Ideas
- Nutrition Tips
- Food Tastings
- Giveaways!

When: Every Other Tuesday

Dates: October 24th-December 19th

Time: 5:00pm-6:00pm

Where: The Serenity House

1209 W. Lehigh Avenue, Philadelphia

Cost: FREE

For more information please contact: Chalise Saunders

Email: csaunders@thefoodtrust.org

Phone: 267-658-4148



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NATIVE AMERICANS and The United Methodist Church



149

Number of Native American
United Methodist churches

Number of Native American members
of The United Methodist Church

21,365



Celebrate and give on Native American Ministries Sunday

Every gift we receive on Native American Ministries Sunday supports incredible work of Native Americans in our United Methodist family. Every gift honors the contribution and importance of Native Americans.

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 Deuteronomy 34:1-12, 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, and Matthew 22:34-46. Readings for NEXT week are Joshua 3:7-17, 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, and Matthew 23:1-12

A Look at Our Faithfulness

Combined attendance for last Sunday October 15th was 106. Your tithes, gifts, and offerings help ASUMC make a difference in our community. Thank you.



We are looking for Volunteers!

Arch Street is looking for volunteers for many tasks, reception, finance, and of course help in completing the mural in Nichols Hall. If you have any interests and would like to share them with us please contact Anne, Charlie or Pastor Robin at 215.568-6250 or email

secretary@archstreetumc.org



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of Healing for: *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, 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: *William McCormick and family on the death of his mother, 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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