JUNE/JULY 2016

PALM LEAVES

Palm Schwenkfelder Church

Special Points of Interest:

 Youth News Vacation Bible School Flyer

• Caspar's Corner—Elmer Johnson—Visit to Harpersdorf 1905; Part 5 of 5

• Men of Palm Chicken BBQ

• Brown Bag Lectures

Trustees' Tidbit

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Treasurer's Report

Summer Music

Good Friday Walk Pics

Salford Pilgrimage

Scholarship Applications

Meetinghouse Services

Pastor's Pause - Gathered Together

During the 100th Anniversary year of Palm Schwenkfelder Church, we began a practice of worshipping at all three of our historic locations over the summer months. These communities of origin all remind us of our roots in both this area and our faith tradition. The Meetinghouse services have become something that I look forward to every year. Whether it is singing together in these simple buildings, being embraced in creation as we worship outdoors at Washington, or playing in the creek after worship at Hosensack, these moments of gathering provide a look back at our beginnings, as well as renewal for whom God has called us to be today.

Our Meetinghouse

services begin on Father's Day, as we travel to Washington Cemetery (Weather Hopefully Permitting) on June 19th. We are once again delighted to welcome Suite Brass as they provide our music for the service that day.

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On July 17th we will be worshipping at Kraussdale Meetinghouse. Back in 2013. Kraussdale was vandalized, with nearly every pane of glass broken. It is a celebration of restoration

and redemption every time we gather there, but we will also be able to see that Sunday the newly completed repairs of the facility.

Our Meetinghouse services will conclude with a visit to Hosensack on August 21st, and a hymn sing included in our worship that day. For the adventurous, young and young-at-heart, I am planning on walking over to the grove after the service and seeing how cold the creek water is again this year. If you would like to test the water out for yourself or would just like to see if I fall in, all are welcome.

Gathered together in Christ's name, it is my hope that we may be able to join together in

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

June Birthdays

A Very Happy Birthday to... Margo May (6/29), Danielle Manley (7/18), Shaelyn Korn (7/25)

Please notify the church office if someone has been missed or if a date is incorrect.

Youth Sunday — Church Picnic

Youth Sunday will be held this year on June 12th, and at 9:00am that day we will have the End of Year Sunday School Celebration for youth, parents, and the congregation. The church picnic will be immediately following the worship service.

Please bring a covered dish to share. Christian Ed will supply hot dogs, rolls, drinks, cupcakes, and games. Hope all can attend this fun event to end the Sunday School year.

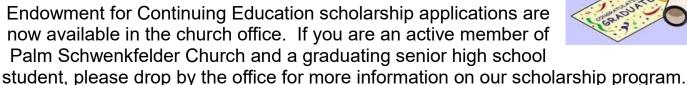


Salford Pilgrimage

On Sunday, June 5th, join our Schwenkfelder churches at the historic Salford Meeting House in Harleysville for worship and a hymn sing at 6:00pm. All are welcome to stay for ice cream afterwards:-) If you are interested in attending, please write your name and phone number on the designated sheet outside of the church office.

Congratulations!

Announcing Our Annual Scholarship Opportunity for Graduating Seniors



All applications and their accompanying references must be submitted no later than Monday, August 1, 2016.





VBS IS UPON US AGAIN!! HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!

DATE: JUNE 19 — 23, 2016

TIME: 6:00 — 8:30 PM





Good Friday Walk











Pictures by Lee Schultz

PALM LEAVES

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Caspar's Corner — Elmer Johnson – Visit to Harpersdorf 1905: Part 5 of 5

Monday, July 31, 1905 This morning S. A. Anders and I looked over the baptismal lists of 1699–1721 of the church book. I wrote postal to HWKriebel also letter to him. At noon I

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went with S.A.A. again to the Parsonage & completed the book. At 4 pm S. A. A. went out to the woods with the ladies & Rolland, I went down the road of dorf to #37 occupied by Ernst Reimer. It is a very old house and is said to have been the 1st Schwenckfeld house here. I take it that such a statement must be taken with a grain of salt. It used to be the Förster's [Forester's] house in olden times and is very old indeed. From there I went to August Mühner's Bauergut [farm] #86 N Hdrf. This is where Melchior Dorn lived. The whole family received me very kindly. I asked

them if they had any papers relative to the place – they replied "I'h glaube nich das wir was weren finden" they searched but found nothing. Both Mr. and Mrs Mühner said that they always heard that the Schwenckfelders were a God-fearing and pious people. Of Melchior Dorn they said that in a small low wing of the old Dorn house he used to hold meetings with his fellow believers where they would pray and sing and read sermons. Herr und Frau Mühner expressed their belief that in this old house the blessing of Dorn's piety was still a real experience. Indeed they spoke feelingly about the way in which they had been blessed on this estate. They told me that Dorn's daughter was married to a man named Arnholt. Herr Mühner saw her in her last years. He told me to call on Gottlob Hoffrichter in NHdrf. who is now in the 81st year of his age and might give me facts.

Tuesday, August 1, 1905 This morning I received 6 rolls of film from Adolf Herbst in Wolfenbüttel. I went down to Ernst's and asked to have his glass. At 10 am Frau Sommer came with a rickety old team and took Mr. & Mrs. Anders, Rolland, Agnes and myself to the Gröditzberg. We drove through Pilgramsdorf where we passed a barn with the following inscriptions: Wer Got ertraut hat wohl erbaut [Whoever trusts in God

builds well] Nikol Scholz 1574. We just passed through the upper end of Ulbersdorf then turned from the chaussee or main road and drove over a badly kept cemetery road to Neudorf through which we passed with its great church and came to Wüttchenau und ten minutes later to Gröditzberg. At a little hostelry near the base of the mountain the old dame stopped and we left her with her old team. We were now at the base of the mountain whereon many a Schwenckfelder suffered for his faith. But how different our journey. It was similar to that of the fathers who were dragged to jail here by Catholics in that a Catholic woman drove us

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hither today. She lamented the fact that the poor Schwenckfelder were driven from their homes and related how their last priest before the present

one read the history of the Catholic Church in NHdrf to his congregation, saying that the Schwenckfelders gave the money for the building of their church here and that the Schwenckfelders were a pious people doing nothing but good in the world. We climbed up the steep sides of the mountain by a beautifully kept walk and step past the little booths of trinkets, etc of which Dr. Hartranft speaks in his Itinerary.

At last we came to the old moat and a tower with gate and staircase. We took a picture, then climbed up to the main ruin itself. It is in fairly good preservation, many towers and ruined walls which indicate how vast the Schloss and grounds at one time must have been. We took a dozen pictures in all of the ruins and the mountain. The dinner given us was very poor and the water a great deal worse. We were on the top for three hours viewing every conceivable point of it. At 3 pm we made for the Gasthof at the foot and were soon on our way back to Harpersdorf. We took the chaussee now and went toward the Neudorf Bahnhof. A short distance beyond the dorf Wüttchenau I took a picture of our rig with the Groditzberg on it. Then we proceeded on past the chaussee leading to Neudorf. We stopped at the big

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stone quarries beyond the men working there knew us as Schwenckfelders from America and greeted us kindly. Then we drove past the Neudorfer Bh. [railroad station] to Hockenau thence through Hainwald, where we picked many blueberries, to the village of Hainwald where a stone marks the sight of a chapel that long since disappeared. In

the house wall opposite is an old tablet on which is carved: anno * dur * 1* 4* 91* / gechar * geiscler* kirgen / veter * shuf * maria* / helft * czv * dem * gotts* / haose * maria ****. Mr. Anders went into the Gasthaus there and the lady interpreted it thus: anno dom. 1491 / Gerhard Geisler. Kirchen beter / Hilf Maria / Hilf zu dem Gottes hause Maria. Then we drove down the chaussee and soon came to Neuwiese where we met Otto Goldman who received us very kindly. We spent about 20 minutes with him. He showed us his bees. He told us that Deutmansdorf had very old church books. He also offered to do anything he could possibly do for us to help us find what we were hunting. He also said he would take me to the Pastor at Pilgramsdorf. I told him that I would return next Monday to Harpersdorf & would then let him know. Then we resumed our journey and came home via the Ziegelei and the Catholic church. We ate a hearty supper. After Supper I called on the Gerichts Schreiber Speer in NHdrf. He offered to try in Goldberg on Saturday to see if one could run properties book. Both he and his wife spoke very feelingly to me about the work of the Schwenckfelders. Both of them are much interested and would like to see me get what I am hunting. I returned to the Hotel and went to bed.

Caspar's Corner is provided monthly to The Schwenkfelder Church by the Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center

Pastor's Pause— Gathered Together (Cont.)

these predecessor bodies which gave life to Palm Schwenkfelder Church, as we worship the Living God.

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When shall I come and behold the face of God?
My tears have been my food day and night,
while people say to me continually, 'Where is
your God?'

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul:
how I went with the throng,
and led them in procession to the house of God,
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,
a multitude keeping festival.
Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my help and my God.
(Psalm 42)



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Sympathies to...

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...the family of Jean Gentry.

...the family of Reverend Ron Krick.

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...the family of Louise Watt.

Congratulations to...

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...Elias Gabel-Tripp ...Payton Keyser

...Darrell Manley ...Pierce Wright

...Tori Leh ...Whitney Leh

...Stephanie Mundy ...Lauren Schultz



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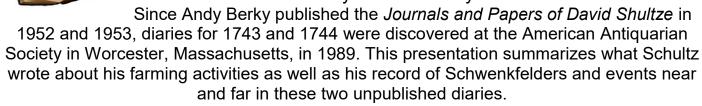
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SLHC LECTURE SERIES

Wednesday, June 8th, Noon

David Schultz: Recently Discovered Diaries for 1743 and 1744

Presented by Allen Viehmeyer





The Haube Revolt: Conflict and Disagreement Over Women's Dress in the Moravian Community of Nazareth, PA, 1815

Presented by Paul Peucker, Moravian Archives

This presentation presents the changing attitudes among American Moravians during the early 19th century as revealed by the conflict that arose when the Moravian women at Nazareth refused to wear the traditional headdress (German Haube) that had been in use since the 1740s. This presentation will clarify the traditional ways of solving conflict within the Moravian Church and how the women of Nazareth bypassed all this in order to get their way. The event also reveals how Moravians were beginning to become Americanized and how they developed different expectations regarding personal freedom vs. church control.



VBS Special Summer Music

The VBS kids and helpers will sing the VBS songs for the congregation on Sunday, June 26th at the worship service. Come out to enjoy listening to lively faithful songs!



The Men of Palm Chicken BBQ

Join us on Saturday, June 11th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. for the best chicken BBQ east of the Mississippi! You won't want to



miss this finger lickin' good time! Please contact a member of the Men of Palm for tickets, or see Dan in the office. And if you'd like to help out with the chicken BBQ, contact Tom Long at (267) 307-3512.

TRUSTEES' TIDBIT

 Dates that a large dumpster will be available at the Church will soon, if not already, be announced. We are asking our boards, committees, groups and church members to prepare. Plan to use this dumpster to dispose of unneeded materials throughout the church and church grounds. Time for a big Spring cleaning, everyone.



Music Sunday











Pictures by Lee Schultz



Flowers and Bulletins

Your participation in sponsoring flowers defrays the cost to the church and brightens our sanctuary with beautiful flowers each Sunday.

Dates available for flower sponsorship are: August 7th & 14th; October 2nd & 9th; November 6th, 13th, 20th

We have openings for bulletin sponsorships on:

July 31st; August 7th, 14th & 21st; September 11th

The cost for flower sponsorship is \$50, and the cost for bulletin sponsorship is \$15. Please sign up for the date(s) of your choice on the charts posted in the hallway by the church office. Make

checks payable to "Palm Schwenkfelder Church," with the notation of "flowers" or "bulletins," and place in the office lock box or offering plate prior to or on the date of your sponsorship.

Thanks for your support!



April 2016	April	Year to Date
Operating Cash On Hand		
Start Of Month/Year	\$29,517.16	\$ 35,761.03
Operating Income Received	\$21,167.31	\$ 98,604.50
Operating Expenses	\$39,445.90	\$123,126.96
Operating Cash On Hand – 4/30	\$11,238.57	\$ 11,238.57

Confirmation Class News

A Confirmation Class for 2016 - 2017 is being formed.

Anyone entering 8th grade or higher is invited to share in this time of affirming and growing in the Christian faith. If you are interested or have any questions, please speak with Pastor Nick. In order to have materials for all participants, please contact Dan in the church office to register for the class. Thank you and may God bless this congregation upon our Confirmation journey.

Palm Schwenkfelder Church Please join us in worship: Kraussdale Sunday, July 17th 10:15am Worship Service



- Turn left out of the church parking lot and head east on PA 29S/Gravel Pike.
- After approximately 1.8 miles you will come to a light at Kraussdale Road.
- Turn left onto Kraussdale Road.
- In approximately 1 mile you will see a sign for Kraussdale Meetinghouse.
- The entrance to the parking area will be on your right

Palm Schwenkfelder Church Please join us in worship: Washington Meeting House Cemetery Sunday, June 19th (please bring lawn chairs) 10:15am Worship Service

Kutztown Road & Country Line Road Hereford, PA 18041



Summer Musíc



Summer is right around the corner, which means our regular choirs get a break. Summer special music for Sunday worship services is being scheduled. If you know of anyone who would be willing to share their musical talent, please speak to anyone on the music committee, or sign up on the sheet outside the office.



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SAVE THE DATE!

June 5th — Salford Pilgrimage

June 12th — Youth Sunday

— Sunday School Closing Picnic

June 13th — Men of Palm Chicken Barbecue

June 19th — Washington Meetinghouse Site Service

— Vacation Bible School Begins

June 23rd — Vacation Bible School Ends

June 26th — VBS Summer Music Worship

July 17th — Kraussdale Meetinghouse Service



Rev. Nicholas L. Pence, Pastor Barbara Master, Youth Director Dan Ferry, Church Administrator Kevin Master, Sexton Ed Bieler, Director of Music Peg Jacob, Organist