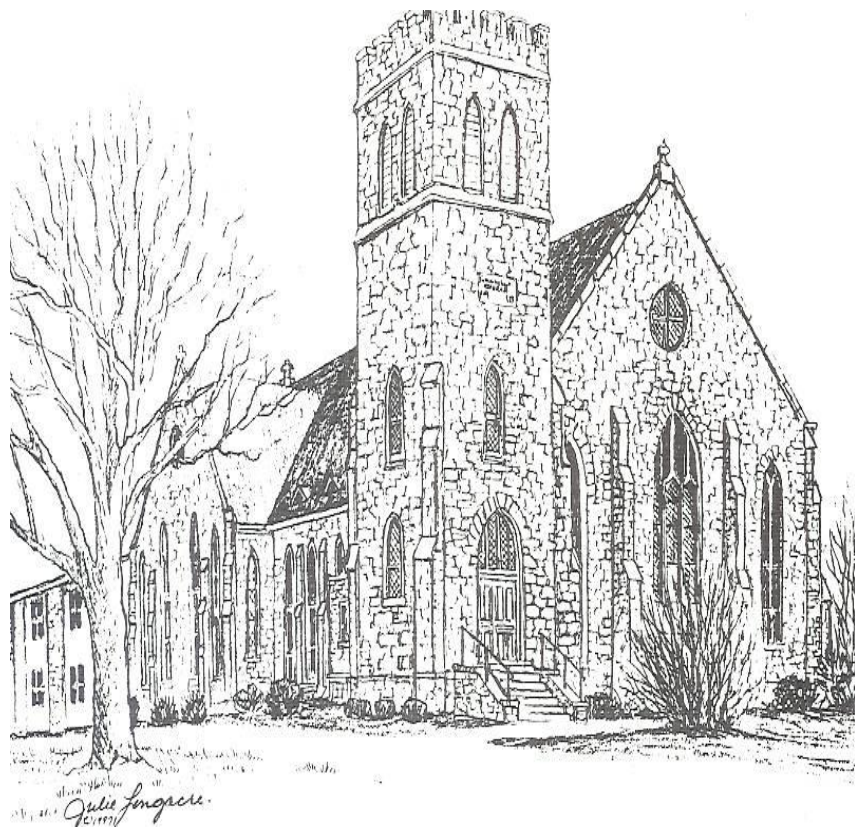


# **PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

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# **PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

## **SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2018**

**Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prayer**

**Prelude** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Allan Mahnke

**\*Call to Worship**

O Lord, you have searched me and know me. You discern my thoughts from afar.

**You search out my path and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

**Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?**

Let us worship God!

**\*Hymn #52** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**O God, hear our confession, for we still dwell in darkness. We are afflicted and crushed by a sense of inadequacy. When perplexed, we despair that there may be no hope. Persecution leaves us feeling forsaken. When foes strike us down, we assume we're destroyed. We hear that Christ resides like a treasure within us. Transform our whole being so that we live in that truth. Amen.**

**Time of Personal Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Special Music** "Outside These Walls"  
Brent Lamb, arr. Dennis Allen; performed by Gail Ferry

**Scripture** Psalm 139:1 – 18 (NRSV p. 503; LP p. 966 – 977)

**Children's Sermon**

**\*Hymn #458**

“Search Me, O God”

**Sermon**

“Fearfully and Wonderfully Made”

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil:**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory**

“Christ Be My Leader”

Edward Broughton

**\*Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**In answer to your call, gracious God, we have opened our ears  
for your instruction and our eyes to the needs of our sisters and  
brothers. Alone, our helpfulness is limited, though often greater  
than we have imagined, for you are with us. Together, our  
effectiveness is multiplied, and your work is made visible. Bless  
our sharing and our sacrifices that your rule of love may grow  
among us and extend to all we meet. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #107**

“Christ Be My Leader”

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

“Forth in Thy Name I Go”

Robert Lind

**\*All who are able, please stand.**

The bouquets of flowers are presented today in loving memory of Denise by the Dolloff family.

The bulletins are sponsored today by Lee Schultz; in loving memory of my parents.

**Mission Statement of PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH:**

Our task is to proclaim the Living Word of God, which empowers us to care for and share with our community and the world.

**Vision Statement of PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH:**

Serving the glorious God, claimed by Jesus, and inspired by scripture, honoring our history, with renewed commitment we will reach out to our community and the world through worship, spirit enriching programs, and outreaching mission.

*...Things of Interest to Our Palm Schwenkfelder Family...*

**This week, please keep in your daily prayers:**

Joanne Jalowy, Dakota Laudenslager, Merle Leh, Mary Irene Sutcliffe, Keith Miller, Donna Weller, Anna Schloder, Cody Belmont, Nathan Wright, Liz Snook, Liem Zbyszinski, Barry Slemmer, Jean Boreman, Leon Wohlbach, Bryan Schwoyer, Marvin Zeisloft Jr., Evelyn Bold, Ruth Adams, Judy Yerger, Jacki Hensler, Rochelle Ginder Manuel, Deena Updegrave, Rebecca Himmelwright, Joe and Sue Cooper, Ernie Guldin, Meg Lester, Willard Long, Lucile Jones, Sheryl Tomlin, Mae Gerhart, Goldie Graber, Kylene Bertoia Hart, Mary and Heinz Herrmann, Martha Wolford, Devon Hawkins, Kerm Goda, Vern Weller, Mary Hartman, Jen Fries, Mary Jane Burianek, Dave Jaeger, Betty Pope. Please also keep in your prayers the men and women serving in the United States Military. This month from our Schwenkfelder Prayer List we uplift the Board of Trustees.

**June Youth Birthdays**

Happy Birthday to...  
Margo May (6/29)

**June Youth Group**

Youth Group Meetings for youth in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up meet most weeks throughout the months. Join us for a Bible discussion, fellowship and fun! Please sign up if you plan to attend or contact Barb Master. Adults, if you are interested in helping to lead a night, please see Barb Master.

**June Youth Group**

Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>  
Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Closing Program & Church Picnic**

Teachers and parents are invited to attend the Sunday School Closing Program at 9:00am **today**. And, after the worship service, the entire church is invited to a picnic in the Grove. Drinks and hot dogs will be provided by The Board of Christian Education. Bring a chair and a dish, side or dessert to share. There will be a bounce house for the kids, and for the kids at heart.

## **Board of Christian Education Meeting**

The next Board of Christian Ed meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. All Sunday School teachers are invited to attend for a wrap-up discussion and a sharing of ideas.

## **Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed to help move items from an attic to a dumpster at the home of Darlene Jones. With 6 – 8 volunteers it should take one hour to fill one dumpster. Several dumpsters are needed, and this will be an ongoing project until complete. If you can assist in this project or have questions, please see Kevin or Barb Master.

## **Vacation Bible School**

Join us for a 1-Day, All-Day, Vacation Bible School Event! On Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00am – 3:00 pm, kids will blast off into space and hear God's word with 3 amazing Bible stories, songs, crafts and games! Come ready for a fun God-filled day!

## **VBS Youth Leadership**

For youth in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up who plan on volunteering at Vacation Bible School, join us on Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup> for a leadership lock-in prior to the start of VBS! This spiritually enriched night will motivate and inspire you to share God's word with our VBS kids. Dinner will be provided.

## **Special General Conference Meeting – Message from Drake Williams**

For some time Executive Council has been concerned with the difficulty in attaining a quorum at our Fall and Spring General Conference meetings. At the last 10 regular meetings held since 2012, a quorum was achieved only on three occasions. Quorum is 50 members. At the three meetings where quorum was achieved the attendance was 50, 52 and 53 members. Both the Ministerium and Executive Council have reviewed the issue and have concluded that the simplest solution is to reduce quorum for these meetings to 25. In order to effect that change, I am calling a Special General Conference Meeting **today** to be held at the Salford Meeting House scheduled to begin at 6:00 PM, immediately preceding the Salford Pilgrimage service. The sole purpose of the special meeting will be to vote on the following amendment:

ARTICLE III, Section 7. A quorum shall be 25 members.

## **Altar Flowers and Bulletins**

There are several upcoming dates open for sponsorship of our Sunday flowers and bulletins.

Dates available for flower sponsorship:

One Bouquet Still Needed—

June 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

Two Bouquets Available—

August 12<sup>th</sup>; September 16<sup>th</sup>

Dates available for bulletin sponsorship are:

July 8<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>; August 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, & 19<sup>th</sup>

The cost of bulletin sponsorship is \$15. The cost for sponsoring one flower arrangement is \$25, and the cost for sponsoring both arrangements is \$50.

## **Correction**

There was a mistake in the listings of flowers and bulletins last week. One bouquet of flowers was presented in loving memory of Betty and Charles Krauss by Nancy Menio, and the bulletins were sponsored by Patti Yokl in loving memory of our parents.

## **Recycling**

The Board of Trustees regrets that we will no longer be participating in the paper recycling program. This is due to ongoing problems with the recycling company, as well as due to having paper blowing out of the bins and onto our cemetery as well as our neighbors' property. We will research and provide a listing of alternate recycling locations.

## **Christmas Stockings**

We are starting to make our Christmas stockings for Norristown State Hospital and Pennsburg Manor. We would appreciate your help again this year. With your generous help last year, we were able to make a total of 100 stockings. We would like to do the same again this year. You can give your monies to anyone on the committee.

Thank you in advance,

Marian Hausman, Sandra Kriebel, Sally Wright, Ruth Weaver, and Ethel Soffa

## **Did You Know...?**

This is where we list items of interest to members and visitors. If you have any items to add, please call or email Dan Ferry in the church office. Thank you.

### *Did You Know...?*

- LARGE PRINT bulletins are available from an usher. LARGE PRINT Bibles are also available for use during worship services, located on the table to the left between the front and back sections of pews.
- Listening devices are available for those who would like them. Please see an usher to assist you.
- A fully accessible restroom is located in the hallway, across from the office. A baby changing table is there, also.
- There are greeting cards on the podium as you enter the sanctuary. Anyone is invited to sign – you don't need to be a member of the congregation to add your name to the well wishes.
- Donations of greeting cards to this project are welcomed and needed, especially Get Well and Sympathy cards. Please see Nancy Hoffman with your donations, or place them on the podium shelf.

### *Did You Also Know...?*

- If you are away this summer, or any time, don't forget that the Church's expenses continue and that your financial support is still needed. You might consider going online from wherever you may be and making a donation via our website, <http://palmschwenkfelderchurch.com/>, by clicking the big blue "Donate Now" button at the top right.

### **Address Changes/Updates**

As a service to our members, any address changes that come through the office will now be listed in the bulletin. There will also be a section in the Palm Leaves that will list new addresses. If you have any information on members who have may have moved, or if any of the addresses listed appear to be incorrect, please call the office to let us know. Thank You.

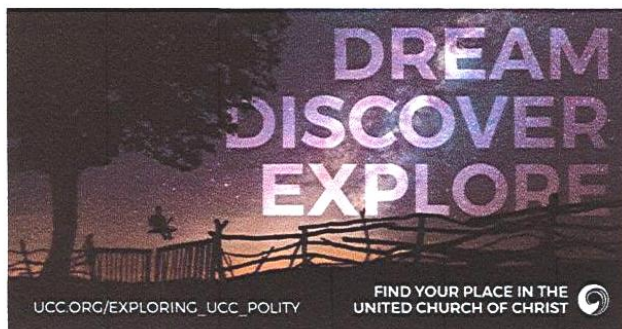
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## UCC Polity Curriculum Released for Local Congregations



A new curriculum has been released by the United Church of Christ for churches to explore UCC History, Polity, and Identity. By looking at the denomination's core values, participants will be introduced or have a chance to deepen their understanding of what it is to be a part of the UCC.

The curriculum is easily adaptable for small groups, search committees, consistories, new members, confirmands, and more. Each learning session includes a facilitator guide, video, resources, and activities to help folks explore the UCC.

Access all the lessons and resources through this site, as well as download any files you need:

[http://www.ucc.org/exploring\\_ucc\\_polity](http://www.ucc.org/exploring_ucc_polity)



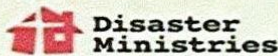


## **URGENT HELP NEEDED FOR PUERTO RICO**

**Work teams needed in response to  
2017 hurricanes starting June 1, 2018**

- ⇒ Organize a group of up to 15 volunteers and come ready to work and accompany the people of Puerto Rico. (Minimum age 16 years old.)
- ⇒ Help clean up and repair homes and church properties.
- ⇒ Anticipated work sites will be in the municipalities of Toa Baja, Ciales, and Humacao.

**To schedule your group, email:  
[uccdisaster.puertorico@gmail.com](mailto:uccdisaster.puertorico@gmail.com)**



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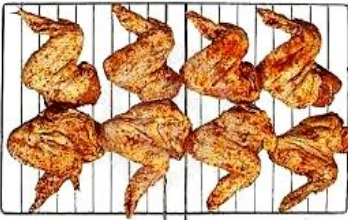
[www.ucc.org/disaster\\_puerto\\_rico](http://www.ucc.org/disaster_puerto_rico)

# Annual Chicken Barbecue

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THE MEN OF PALM SCHWENKFELDER  
CHURCH

SATURDAY, June 9, 2018

**4:00pm to 6:00pm**



AT

**PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH  
PALM, PA**

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Tickets are \$10.00

(Half-Chicken, Pepper Cabbage, Baked Beans, Baked  
Potato, Roll & Butter, and Dessert)

Please Buy Your Tickets in Advance. Limited Amount of  
Tickets Sold at the Church on the Day of the Barbecue.

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WE WILL DELIVER TO YOUR CAR!**

## **This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

### **Sunday, June 3**

- 9:00am Combined Sunday School
- 10:15am Sunday Worship Service
- 11:30am Sunday School Closing Picnic
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 19–20; John 13:21–38
- 6:00pm Special Conference Meeting @ Salford
- 6:30pm Salford Pilgrimage Worship Service

### **Monday, June 4**

- 11:00am Board of Music Ministry Meeting
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 21–22; John 14

### **Tuesday, June 5**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 23–24; John 15
- 1:00pm Ladies' Aid Meeting
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts - Troop Meeting

### **Wednesday, June 6**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 25–27; John 16

### **Thursday, June 7**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 28–29; John 17

### **Friday, June 8**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 30–31; John 18:1–18

### **Saturday, June 9**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 32–33; John 18:19–40
- 4:00pm Men of Palm Chicken Barbeque

### **Sunday, June 10**

- 10:15am Sunday Worship Service
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are  
2 Chronicles 34–36; John 19:1–22

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Director of Music: Ed Bieler

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Senior Bells: Joanne and David Luz

Organist: Peg Jacob

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

Youth Director: Barbara Master

Sexton: Kevin Master 484 – 358 – 1684

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Ushers: Emily Badman, Bob Croll, Lawrence Croll, Matt Wright

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman

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