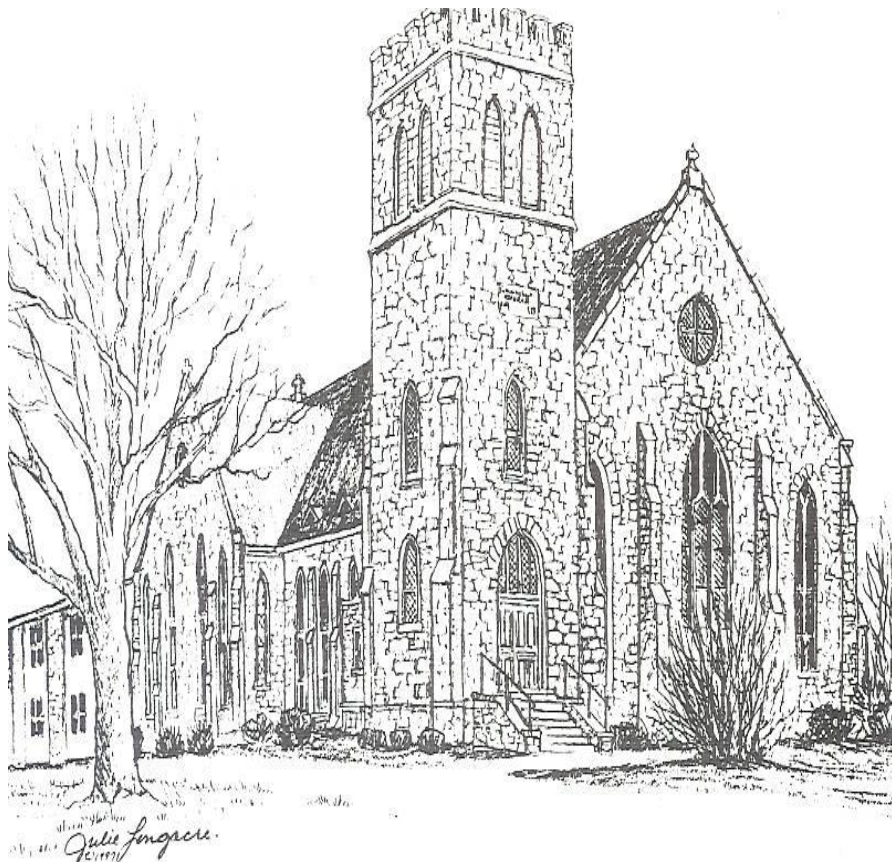


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REFORMATION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018

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.

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Paul Manz

***Call to Worship**

I will bless the Lord at all times,

God’s praise will continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord,

let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me,

let us exalt God’s name together!

***Hymn #43**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we have not been humble. We have discouraged others from seeking you. We have not sought your wisdom.

Forgive us, O God, and teach us to boast only of you. Help us to celebrate when others seek after you. Give us the light of your wisdom and ways, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Senior Bell Choir

“Serenity”

Jason Krug

Scripture Psalm 34 (NRSV p. 441 – 442; LP p. 865 – 866)

Children’s Sermon

Children’s Church

Barb Master
(pumpkin painting activity – all youth)

***Hymn #689** “The Church’s One Foundation”

Sermon “Our Refuge”

Senior Choir Anthem “Blessed Be the Name” Patti Drennan

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 “Built on the Rock the Church Does Stand” Scott M. Hyslop

***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**

Hear our prayer for all who may be helped by what we give. We offer more than money; we offer ourselves. May the sympathy and comfort we share with people in need serve to draw them closer to you. Keep us strong, that this church may give radiant witness to truth, constructive opposition to evil, and merciful redemption to those caught up in the wickedness of our time. Amen.

***Hymn #705** “Built on the Rock”

*Benediction

Postlude

“The Church’s One Foundation”

James Mansfield

*All who are able, please stand.

The bulletins are sponsored today in loving memory of my wife, Dorothy, by Bob Graber.

The flowers are presented today in loving memory of Barbara R. Goda by Anne, Daryl, Kerm, & family.

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

This week, please keep in your daily prayers:

Chandler Williams, Leroy Brown, Pauline Kloenne, Eric G., Grace Kuhns, Roger Steele, Bob Croll, Sr., Evelyn and Jack Bold, Mae Gerhart, Jill Schubert, Donna Weller, Ray Fox, Jeremy Master, Autumn Reyburn, Ray Lepley, Elaine Fox, Dakota Laudenslager, Merle Leh, Keith Miller, Anna Schloder, Cody Belmont, Liz Snook, Liem Zbyszinski, Barry Slemmer, Jean Boreman, Leon Wohlbach, Bryan Schwoyer, Judy Yerger, Jacki Hensler, Rochelle Ginder Manuel, Deena Updegrove, Rebecca Himmelwright, Ernie Guldin, Meg Lester, Willard Long, Lucile Jones, Sheryl Tomlin, 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 Palm Schwenkfelder Church Ladies’ Aid Society.

October Youth Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

Michael Kennedy 10/06, Ethan Raab 10/15, Kate Pence 10/27

Children’s Church

Thank you to everyone who provided snack donations and who signed up to volunteer. We are set for the remainder of this year.

Pumpkin Painting Activity

Today for children’s church the kids will be in the Social Hall for a devotional and pumpkin painting activity. Parent pick up is in the Social Hall. Older youth are needed to help.

Harvest Home

Volunteers delivered the Harvest Home and Food Drive Collection to Open Link. It weighed in at 866 pounds of food and hygiene items. Thank you for blessing the Upper Perk Valley!

T-Shirt Sponsorship

We reached our goal! Thank you! T-shirts for the youth will be ordered soon.

Chocolate Pretzel Night

Youth of all ages join us on Friday, November 2nd from 6 pm – 9 pm in the Social Hall to dip pretzels in chocolate that we will sell at the Holiday Bazaar. Sign up or tell Barb if you plan to attend.

Kids' Corner

There will be free crafts and children's activities at the Holiday Bazaar in the Social Hall. And be sure to stop by to see the Youth and stock up on their famous chocolate covered pretzels.

College Care Packages

We are looking for donations of small items or gift cards to add to the college care packages. Monetary donations will also be accepted to help purchase items and ship the packages. The packages will be shipped out after the Thanksgiving holiday. Please contact Sarah Linsinbigler (484) 752 – 9549 with any questions (please leave a message).

Organist Wanted

Palm Schwenkfelder Church, 833 Gravel Pike, Palm PA 18070 is seeking a Part-Time Organist/Accompanist for Sunday Services at 10:15 a.m., occasional holidays and special services, and adult choir rehearsals generally held Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. A completed job application (which can be found at www.palmschwenkfelderchurch.com) and résumé can be mailed to the church at P.O. Box 66, Palm PA 18070, or email them to palmadministrator@comcast.net. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please have them go to our website or email any questions they may have. This position is open starting February 1, 2019.

Calling All Bakers – We Need Your Help!

The Ladies' Aid is holding an Election Day Bake Sale on November 6th. Many homemade goodies will be needed. Best sellers are breakfast cakes, shoofly, apes, funny cakes, along with muffins, cookies & brownies. Please bring donations to the church Monday evening 6:30-7:30 PM or any time Tuesday morning.

Support for the United Choir

The United Schwenkfelder Choir is seeking your financial support in order to carry out its ministry of music. If you wish to be a donor, please contact Beth Croll, Anne Goda, Bill Ludlow, Lee Schultz, Rev. Nick Pence, or Ed Bieler.

The following giving options are available:

- The Patron level requires a contribution of \$5 or more
- The Contributor level requires a contribution of \$10 or more
- The Sponsor level requires a contribution of \$25 or more
- The Business Card level requires a contribution of \$40 or more, along with your business card which will be slightly reduced and reproduced in our concert program.

The deadline for all donations is **today**. And don't forget to support the choir with your attendance at this year's performance. Mark your calendar for the concerts which will be held Sunday, December 2nd at 2:30p.m., and 7:00 p.m. at the Central Schwenkfelder Church.

Miller Keystone Blood Drive

Mark your calendars for the Miller Keystone Blood Drive sponsored by the Palm Mission Board on Saturday, November 17th, 2018. The blood drive is from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. You can sign up in the narthex, online at www.giveapint.org, via email (palmadministrator@comcast.net), or by calling the Church Office (215 – 679 – 5321). Walk-ins are also welcome. Thank you for your support.

Symposium @ SLHC

You are invited to the Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center for the symposium “The Spirit’s Awakenings: Origins and Growth of Spiritual Movements” on Saturday, November 10th, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm. The year 2018 marks the 500th anniversary of the spiritual visitation or awakening of Caspar Schwenckfeld (1489 – 1561) which inspired him to join the Reformation movement and ultimately become an independent visionary throughout this tumultuous period of church history. This symposium examines and reflects upon church leaders and movements inspired by spiritual awakenings. Presentations and presenters are: “The Awakening of Caspar Schwenckfeld,” Peter C. Erb, Ph.D., Emeritus, Religion & Culture Department, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Canada; “The Awakening of Martin Luther,” Philip Krey, Ph.D., President Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of Early and Medieval Church History at Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia; “The Awakening of John Wesley,” L. Dale Patterson, Ph.D., Archivist Records Administrator, General Commission on Archives and History, The United Methodist Church; “The 1727 Awakening of the Moravian Church,” Paul Peucker, Ph.D., Director and Archivist, Moravian Archives; “The Awakening of Conrad Beissel,” Jeff Bach, Ph.D., Director, Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietistic Studies and Associate Professor, Department of Religious Studies, Elizabethtown College; “The Awakening of Jemima Wilkinson,” Candace Perry, M.A., Curator of Collections, Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center. Registration required; \$75 – includes presentations, lunch, arrival, and break snacks – contact Joanne at the Heritage Center to register: 215-679-3103 or info@schwenkfelder.com.

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.

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October 28, 2018

Are you and your Church Delegates Registered for the ...

2018 PSEC Fall Meeting

November 10, 2018

10:00 am—3:30 pm

Church of the Good Shepherd, Boyertown, PA



We know our past, we are living our present and at the 2018 PSEC Fall meeting we will decide our future. Join fellow members to review the 2019 Budget, get an update on the Pension Board Campaign Proposal, learn about the new Manual on Ministry and most importantly decide the future of our conference. The final vote on the possible merger with the PNE Conference will take place at this meeting.

All documents for this meeting may be found on the PSEC website (psec.org) at: <https://psec.org/fall-meeting-2018/>

A quorum is needed to conduct business.

REGISTER AT: <https://psecfall2018.eventbrite.com>



Bookkeeper / Treasurer Training

November 3, 2018

@ Calvary UCC, Barto

9:00 am—12:00 pm

Topics to be covered include but are not limited to, general bookkeeping/accounting issues you should understand, accountable vs non-accountable reimbursement plans, budgeting, credit card policies, employee issues, Our Church's Wider Mission (pledging), best practices, W2s or 1099s, gifting and in-kind contribution rules, housing allowance calculation, record retention, FICA/SECA tax, and any other questions you may have.

Register at: psecbookkeeper.eventbrite.com

Accountable vs Non-Accountable Expense Reimbursement Plans

(There are only two ways to reimburse your employees/pastor for expenses)

ACCOUNTABLE PLANS

A plan under which an employee is reimbursed for expenses or receives an allowance to cover expenses is an *accountable* plan **only** if the following conditions are satisfied:

there must be a business condition for the expenses;

- the expense must be in connection with performance of services as an employee

- the reimbursement must be for an expense the employee could deduct on his/her tax return

the employee must either substantiate or be deemed to have substantiated the expenses;

- Generally, substantiation consists of receipts and/or cancelled checks and invoices that show the nature and amount of the expenditure

- Expenses deemed to have been substantiated are such things as using the mileage allowance rate (54.5 cents per mile for 2018) rather than actual expenses for operating a vehicle or use of a per diem rate for overnight travel rather than requiring receipts for meals

3. the employee must return to the employer amounts more than the substantiated (or deemed substantiated) expenses within a reasonable time.

Amounts paid under accountable plans are not income to the employee and are not shown on Form W-2.

Remember that all the requirements must be met in order for it to be an accountable plan!

NON-ACCOUNTABLE PLANS

A non-accountable plan is a reimbursement plan or policy which does not meet all the requirements for an accountable plan. Amounts paid under a non-accountable plan are income to the employee and must be included in wages with appropriate tax withholdings. An employer can have an accountable plan for some items, and a non-accountable plan for others.

If you have any suggestions or questions for an upcoming article, please contact Tammie Wisniewski at tammie@psec.org or call the conference office at 484-949-8774 X304.

Update: Flood Clean-up Continues in PSEC and PNEC

During the past several weeks several parts of Penn Northeast Conference and Pennsylvania Southeast Conference have sustained severe damage due to the heavy and continuous rains. Hundreds of homes and a few churches in both conferences have suffered severe damage. The churches and members of both conferences have responded with funds, clean up and hygiene kits and volunteers. Local pastor and church leaders and members of the Disaster Ministry Teams of the two conferences have also been heavily engaged in coordinating our efforts. For that we are very grateful.

Help from the United Church of Christ family has also been made available. The Ohio Conference delivered nearly 1,000 clean-up and hygiene kits to Susquehanna County in Penn Northeast Conference. UCC national disaster ministries staff have helped to guide the efforts. Later this week, Bill and Ellen Matten, Penn Central Conference Disaster Coordinators, will deploy to Schuylkill County to begin the process of damage assessment. Bill and Ellen have done this work for the UCC in many parts of the country. The process of property damage assessment is always a difficult one, but it is a most important step in the process to recovery!

You can help as well.

1. You can organize a work team or serve as a volunteer. For work in our conferences you can contact Conference Disaster Coordinator Karl Jones at 570-617-4018 – kjones275@comcast.net. Or you can go to http://www.ucc.org/disaster_disaster-volunteers to discover more about any of the intermediate and long-term recovery volunteer opportunities that are currently open and seeing volunteers.
2. Your church can assemble clean-up buckets, hygiene kits, and/or school kits. Go to <https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/emergency-cleanup-buckets/> to learn more about these kits. Completed kits can be delivered to either of our Conference offices or St. Luke's United Church of Christ, 200 W Main St, Trappe, PA 19426 Phone: (610) 489-4933.
3. You can raise funds for this important work. In long-term recovery funding is always one of the best ways to respond. This funding will be used throughout the two conferences for the work of recovery. Funds can be sent to: Pennsylvania Southeast Conference, 1441 Laura Lane, Suite 100, Pottstown, PA 19464.
4. You can become a member of the Disaster Ministry Team. Contact Karl Jones for more information.

Please keep everyone affected by and who will help in the recovery process in your prayers.

Rev. Karl Jones
PSEC Disaster Response Coordinator

This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

Sunday, October 28

9:00am Sunday School

10:15am Sunday Worship Service

10:30am Pumpkin Painting Activity During Children's Church

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 15–17; 2 Timothy 2

Monday, October 29

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 18–19; 2 Timothy 3

Tuesday, October 30

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 20–21; 2 Timothy 4

7:00pm Boy Scouts – Troop Meeting

Wednesday, October 31

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 22–23; Titus 1

6:00pm Junior Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:30pm Senior Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:30pm Senior Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 1

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 24–26; Titus 2

3:30pm Staff Meeting

7:00pm Deacon's Meeting

Friday, November 2

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 27–29; Titus 3

6:00pm Youth Chocolate Covered Pretzel Night

6:00pm Leh Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, November 3

12:00pm Leh Wedding

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 30–31; Philemon

Sunday, November 4

9:00am Combined Sunday School

10:15am Sunday Worship Service

11:30am Board of Music Ministry Meeting

11:30am Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Jeremiah 32–33; Hebrews 1

Special Event at SLHC

Next Sunday, November 4th, at 2:00 pm, the Friends of the Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center will present *Musings of an Old Man: Pastor Henry Muhlenberg Reflects on His Life*. Retired Lutheran Pastor Tom Kochenderfer will portray Pastor Henry Melchior Muhlenberg (1711 - 1787) reminiscing in his final days about his life as the first ordained Lutheran Minister sent to the early Pennsylvania Colony and scion of a remarkable family of pastors and patriots. With the recent commemorations of the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's posting of his 95 "theses" and the 300th anniversary of the founding of Trappe where the Muhlenberg family lived, Rev. Kochenderfer talks about events that helped shape our region and our country in the mid-1700s. Arriving in Philadelphia in 1742, by 1745 Muhlenberg married Anna Maria Weiser, daughter of colonial leader and Penn Family Indian Agent Conrad Weiser, and together they raised 11 children. Among them, three entered the ministry, and Peter was a Major General in the Continental Army. Another, Frederick, served as the first Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives. Others achieved similar fame. They were a remarkable family, instrumental in establishing our national identity. Based largely on his reading of Muhlenberg's multi-volume journals for the period 1742 - 1787, and his own deep knowledge of the Lutheran Church in America and local history, Rev. Kochenderfer aptly presents *Musings of an Old Man: Pastor Henry Muhlenberg Reflects on His Life*. Remaining in character throughout his performance, Rev. Kochenderfer will convey a realistic portrait of the life of an important and well-connected family in this region during those years that brought such a fundamental change to America and to the world.

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Senior Bells: Joanne and David Luz

Organist: Peg Jacob

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

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Sexton: Kevin Master 484 – 358 – 1684

Greeter: Dave Woodward

Ushers: Alex Jalowy, Joanne Jalowy, Kevin Master, Barb Master

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman

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