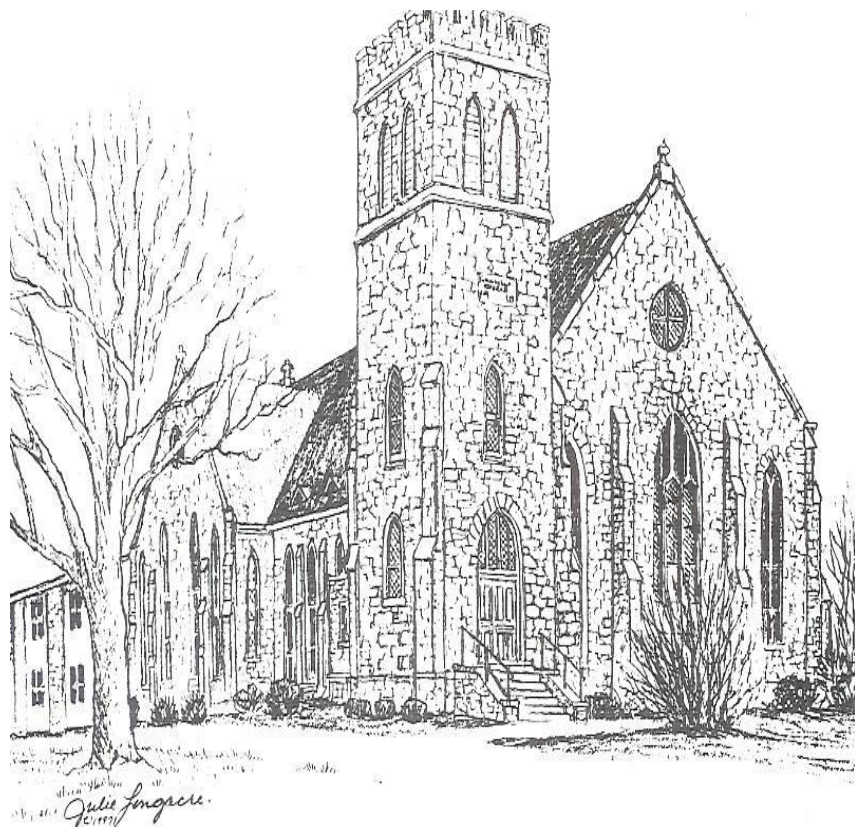


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PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019

BAPTISM OF CHRIST

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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

***Call to Worship**

Gather from East and West, from North and South.

God is calling us; listen, for God is naming you.

The voice of God thunders through our midst.

The voice of God is powerful and full of majesty.

Bow in awe before the one who created you.

God knows you completely, yet accepts you.

The voice of God commands our attention.

The voice of God is like fire and tornado.

God reaches out to strengthen, not condemn us.

God brings us through terror to a place of peace.

Ascribe to God glory and strength.

Worship God in awe, wonder, and joy!

***Hymn #761**

“We Bless the Name of Christ the Lord”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, the waters of faithfulness run deep, and we have been afraid they will overwhelm us. The fires of your Spirit burn brightly, and we fear we may be consumed if we display too much enthusiasm. We retreat to safe places where we hope to avoid challenges, conflicts, and uncertainty. When we shrink from risks, we miss much that enriches life. We fail to notice your amazing activity among those who respond to your leading. Free us, we pray, for daring service. Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture Luke 3:15 – 17, 21 – 22 (NRSV p. 834; LP p. 1604 – 1605)

Children’s Sermon

Children’s Church Charlotte Puff

***Hymn #182** “Brightest and Best of the Stars”

Sermon “Baptized”

Service of Installation

Board of Trustees (one-year term)

Moderator:	Lawrence Croll
Vice Moderator:	Dave Woodward
Recording Secretary:	
Treasurer:	Bob Croll
Financial Secretary:	Joanne Jalowy
Custodian of Endowments:	Gene Dolloff

Registrar:

Nancy Hoffman

Buildings and Grounds (one-year term)

Walt Master – Chair	Andy Kriebel
Richard Kleppinger	Brian Shelly
Alex Jalowy	

Board of Trustees Representative to Palm Country Day School:

Joan Pusey

Mission Board (one-year term)

Nancy Hoffman	Lil Master
Sarah Linsinbigler	Amy Pusey

Diaconate (three-year term)

Joanne Luz (2021)
Renée Shelly (2021)
Kate Pence (2021)
Beth Croll – Co-Chair (2020)
Blake Master (2020)

Kathy Bieler (2019)
Gail Brown (2019)
Gregg Hoffman – Co-Chair (2019)

Christian Education (three-year term)

Lisa Stitt (2020) – Chair
Lee Schultz – Sunday School Superintendent
Michelle Badman – Asst. Sunday School Superintendent
Barb Master – Youth Director
Rosemary Heffner (2021)
Corey May (2021)

Charlotte Puff (2020)
Diana Cleaver (2019)
Cyndi Kinsler (2019)

Board of Music Ministry (three-year term)

Merris Ann Hoffman (2021)
Tammy Long (2021)
Lillian Master (2021)

Michelle Badman (2020)
Marilyn Roznowski (2019)

Pastoral Relations Committee (standing committee)

Gail Ferry
Jean Ross
Ray Hausman
David Luz

Lillian Master
Jeffrey Stauffer
David Woodward
Douglas Wallinger

PA Southeast Conference Board: (one-year term)

Robert Croll

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

***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**

For bringing us safely to this hour, we give you thanks, O God of wind and fire. May our offerings honor you. May our lives reflect your mercy. May our hands bestow on others the blessings we have received. May our prayers unite us with one another and with Christ, in whose name we celebrate the privilege of giving. Amen.

***Hymn #758**

“Baptized in Water”

***Benediction**

Postlude

*All who are able, please stand.

Thank You

The congregation of Palm Schwenkfelder Church would like to thank Louise Gerdemann for sharing her musical talents and playing the organ for our worship service today.

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

This week, please keep in your daily prayers:

Ed Smith, Leon Wohlbach, Justin Gloria, Lynette Ware, Mary, Annabelle, and Brad Snow, Judy Bair, Peggy Weaver, Chandler Williams, Pauline Kloenne, Eric G., Grace Kuhns, Roger Steele, Bob Croll, Sr., Evelyn and Jack Bold, Mae Gerhart, Jill Schubert, Donna Weller, Jeremy Master, Autumn Reyburn, Ray Lepley, Dakota Laudenslager, Merle Leh, Keith Miller, Anna Schloder, Cody Belmont, Liz Snook, Liem Zbyszinski, Barry Slemmer, Jean Boreman, 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. 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 Olivet-Schwenkfelder UCC.

January Youth Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

Lily Hoffman (1/4), Ian Ross (1/5), LJ Morasco (1/14), Dillon Reinert (1/15)

Wrapping Paper Wrap-Up

Immediately following worship **today** and going until 1:00pm, we will be making different types of wrapping paper crafts. Bring uncrumpled wrapping paper, a good pair of scissors, and a bag lunch. This is an ALL AGES fun family event that's great for anyone who likes to do arts & crafts.

Children's Church

Children's Church is looking for volunteers. Please consider signing up for a Sunday this winter or spring. You can read a Bible story, create a short lesson, or just spend time sharing God's Word with our youngest church members. There is a sign-up sheet outside of the church office, and if you have any questions please reach out to anyone on the Board of Christian Education. Thank you in advance for your support.

Thank You

Thank you for the care package to help me through finals week! I honestly liked everything; just the thought of having some support from back home was all I needed! Thanks!
Elias Gabel-Tripp

Annual Report Submissions

If you have not yet submitted annual report information, please submit it to the church office as soon as possible. If you can, please submit information via e-mail to palmsadministrator@comcast.net. Any questions should be directed to Vice Moderator, Dave Woodward.

Men of Palm

On Sunday, January 27th, there will be a short meeting of the Men of Palm. We will meet in the back of the sanctuary after the worship service.

Thank You

Dear Congregation, Tom and I wish to extend our heartfelt thanks for the gift cards received upon our retirements from the Board of Trustees, December 31, 2018. It has been a privilege to serve. Thank you all!

Tom & Diane Dunn

The Friends of SLHC Present

Today at 2:00pm, the Friends of the Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center will host a talk by Patrick Donmoyer entitled *Powwowing in Pennsylvania: Healing Rituals of the Pennsylvania Dutch Country*. This talk will explore the historical and cultural roots of traditional customs, rituals, and folkways known among the Pennsylvania Dutch as Braucherei or powwowing. Drawing upon the speaker's personal and family experiences with the tradition, as well as particular emphasis placed on manuscript pieces found commonly in family Bibles, ledgers, and personal papers, the audience will be introduced to a wide range of ritual applications of prayers and processes used primarily for the healing and protection of humans and their domesticated animals. Images of ritual objects, original manuscripts, and written blessings will demonstrate the broad-reaching scope of folk customs in Pennsylvania throughout four centuries and into the present day. Patrick Donmoyer, formerly of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, is the Director of the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center at Kutztown University, a folklife museum and research center on the Kutztown campus. A fluent speaker of Pennsylvania Dutch and advocate for regional folk culture, Patrick's work blends language, traditions, and vernacular architecture in his folklife research. He is the author of numerous articles, and three books, entitled *Hex Signs: Myth and Meaning in Pennsylvania Dutch Barn Stars* in 2013, *Powwowing in Pennsylvania*, and is the editor of Don Yoder's *The German Bible in America*. The program is free to the public.

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.

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...?

- **CCTV** – We broadcast the Sunday worship service on closed circuit televisions in both the Nursery and the Adult Sunday School Room.
- **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.

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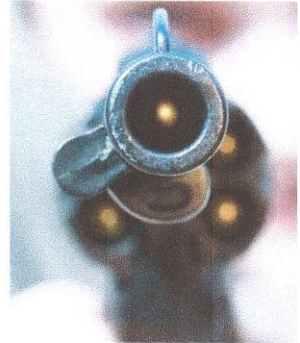
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Active Shooter Training Events

Our PSEC ALICE Trainer, Paul Hightower, will be hosting two ALICE Training Events early in 2019. The training workshop will help prepare your church for an active shooter event. ALICE stands for: Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate.

The training will include an eLearning component, which will require internet access, that participants would complete prior to the workshop.



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Cost of the workshop will be \$25 per attendee.
Workshop times will be 9:00 am—12:00 noon.

The two options for this training will be:

February 23rd @ Reformed Church of the Ascension, Norristown

Register at : <https://psecalicefeb.eventbrite.com>

March 9th @ Community UCC, Reading

Register at: <https://psecalicemar.eventbrite.com>

Once registered, attendees will receive a link to take the eLearning component of the class.

Please limit participation from your church to no more than two individuals so that more churches can participate.

Spots Still Open For The PSEC / PNEC Rebuild Mission Trip to Puerto Rico

The PSEC and PNEC will sponsor two rebuild mission trips to Puerto Rico this spring! The first trip – April 28-May 4 – is full. The second – from May 12-18 – still has a couple of openings. If you are interested register as soon as possible.

The cost will be about \$800 per person, including all costs: transportation, food, lodging, supplies, etc. Registration requires a \$50 deposit. Make the check payable to Penn Northeast Conference and mail along with the PR Mission Trip Application. The application can be found at: psec.org/disaster-recovery

To learn more about the rebuild site and the work, go to:
http://www.ucc.org/disaster_puerto_rico

If you want to be on the list of potential participants and receive trip info directly, email Gilberto at gilbertor@pniec.org; and CC Karl Jones: kjones275@comcast.net.



- PSEC will close the financial books for 2018 on January 15, 2019.
- Mileage for 2019 has risen to 58 cents per mile
- Openings for Lay Boundary Training are still available at: <https://pseclaybound.eventbrite.com>

This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

Sunday, January 13

- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:15am Sunday Worship Service - Installation of Officers
- 11:30am Reception for New Officers
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 31–32; Matthew 9:18–38

Monday, January 14

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 33–35; Matthew 10:1–20
- 6:30pm Buildings & Grounds Committee
- 7:30pm Board of Trustees

Tuesday, January 15

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 36–38; Matthew 10:21–42
- 7:00pm Cub Scout Pack 79 Meeting
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts of America - Troop Committee Meeting
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts - Troop Meeting
- 7:00pm Mission Board

Wednesday, January 16

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 39–40; Matthew 11
- 6:00pm Junior Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30pm Senior Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30pm Senior Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 17

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 41–42; Matthew 12:1–23

Friday, January 18

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 43–45; Matthew 12:24–50

Saturday, January 19

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 46–48; Matthew 13:1–30

Sunday, January 20

- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:15am Sunday Worship Service
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
Genesis 49–50; Matthew 13:31–58

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Director of Music: Ed Bieler

Junior Bells: Beth Croll

Senior Bells: Joanne and David Luz

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

Youth Director: Barbara Master

Sexton: Kevin Master 484 – 358 – 1684

Greeter:

Ushers: Robert Brown, Tim Hoffman, Andrew Pence, Leon Wohlbach

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman

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