

PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2014

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude

“Lamb of God”

Douglass Wagner

***Call to Worship**

When I waited patiently for you, O God, you bent down to me and heard me cry.

You put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; I have not restrained my lips as you know, O Lord.

Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and faithfulness keep me safe forever.

Let us worship God!

***Hymn #103**

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We come back to you, O Holy One, to renew our commitment. We confess that pride has led us to embrace false gods. We spend more time with our hobbies than with your cause. We pay more attention to our toys than to your truth. Your law is no longer in our hearts. We have neglected the spiritual gifts entrusted to us. We have forgotten that we have been named and baptized and commissioned for service. O God, bring us back to yourself. Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Junior Bell Choir

“Ode to Joy”

Ludwig Von Beethoven
arr. Charles Maggs

Scripture

John 1:29 – 42 (NRSV p. 862 – 863; LP p. 1658 – 1659)

Children’s Sermon

Children’s Church

Liz Kennedy, Rainbow Bells

***Hymn #498**

“I Love to Tell the Story”

Sermon "Lamb of God"

Senior Choir "Lamb of God" Twila Paris
arr. Lloyd Larson

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 "I Love to Tell the Story" William Fischer

***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**

**As the Lamb of God takes away the sins of the world, we
remember that we are baptized as a sign of new life. Accept
these gifts, O God, which we offer as we recommit ourselves
to ministry in Christ's name. May your Spirit empower us for
the tasks that await, and the waters refresh us as we go forth
to serve. Amen.**

***Hymn #743** "Christ for the World! We Sing"

***Benediction**

Postlude "The Old, Old Story Medley" Harold DeCou

*All who are able, please stand.

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:

Judy and Richard Miller, Reverend Ed Winslow, Carol Eschbach, Jane Shermer, Ernie Guldin, Vern Weller, Marty Glowacki, Vera Boykin, Charles Krauss, Betty Serff, Mary Jane Burianek, Barbara & John Kirwin, Karen Freed, Clark Schultz, Brad Hoffman, Donald Cook, Dave Jaeger, Harold Smoll, Robert Margerum, Mary and Harold Hartman, Helen Miller, Rob Ziegler, Kathy Bartman, John Hathaway, Bryan Schwoyer, 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 Olivet Schwenkfelder Church.

Bible Study

This week's online Bible Study will present 1 Samuel 13:8-14 as Samuel's great sin, because plain reading produces a false witness of a God Who changes Plans and stacks history against His Disciples. To join the discussion, please contact Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

Keep catching those Kids being Kind ☺

Youth Birthdays

Happy Birthday, Johanna Kinsler (1/25)

Family Glow Bowling

Have your family join us on Saturday, February 8th at Limerick Bowl from 3:00 – 5:00pm for a fun afternoon of glow bowling. Please sign up by next Sunday. Youth are free. Adults are \$5 each. Meet at Limerick Bowl, at 2:45pm. Please see Barb Master with any questions.

Check Out Our Updated Church Website

Have you looked recently at www.palmschwenkfelderchurch.com? You will find it has changed and includes a lot of new helpful features. Our home page is an invitation to “Get Started,” “Get Connected,” and to “Get Involved.” You will also find our “Upcoming Events,” “News” and “Recent Facebook Posts” on the home page. Send your friends and family to our webpage where they can explore more “About” our “History,” “Present” and “Affiliation” or “Meet” our congregation and staff. Particularly helpful will be our “Calendar” where you can check out when and at what time things are happening. If you missed church or didn't carry home your bulletin, you can find the weekly bulletin under “Media” as well as our newsletters and photos. Do you need to contact the church office or want to let a friend know how to get to Palm or to one of the other Schwenkfelder sites in South Eastern PA? You can send them to our “Contact Us” page which includes lots of information, phone and email addresses as well as interactive maps. You can also find, to download, our building use forms on that page. Let us know what you think of our updated website and we hope that it will be helpful as we all work together “*To Proclaim the Living Word of God, which empowers us to care for and share with our community and the world.*”

Card Shower & Open House 80th Birthday Celebration for Suzanne Carlin

Please join the family on Saturday, February 15, 2014, any time between 1:00 - 3:00 PM at Frederick Living Community, 1st floor lounge Magnolia East. Help us celebrate Sue's 80th Birthday by sharing stories and enjoy some light refreshments. Unable to join us then please remember Sue on her special day and send a card to her at:

Frederick Living
1123 Magnolia West
P.O. Box 498
Frederick, PA 19435

Annual Report

Please submit your information for the Annual Report as soon as you are able. If you can, the best way to submit information is via email:

palmadministrator@comcast.net.

Bulletin and Flower Sponsorships

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

We have openings for flower sponsorships on:

January 26th, February 23rd, March 9th

We have openings for bulletin sponsorships on:

January 19th, February 2nd, March 16th, 23rd, 30th

The cost for flower sponsorship is \$50, and the cost for bulletin sponsorship is \$15.00. Please sign up on the chart in the hallway outside of the office. And, thanks!

Altar Flower Sponsorship Announcement from the Deacons

Due to rising costs, the donation amount for Sunday altar flowers is \$50. Your participation in sponsoring flowers defrays the cost to the church and brightens our sanctuary with beautiful flowers each Sunday. Sponsorship of bulletins remains at \$15 per week. 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!

Used Greeting Cards

The 5th & 6th grade Sunday School class needs your help. They are looking for old/used greeting cards. They will use the pictures on the cards to help create a special book of Bible verses. Please drop off your used/unwanted cards in the designated box located in the Narthex coat closet. Thank you in advance for your help with this special project!

Senior Hand Bell Choir

Do you enjoy music? Please consider joining the senior hand bell choir as we need a couple more ringers. We will be glad to teach you. Musical experience is not necessary. If you have questions please feel free to contact Joanne Luz at 215-679-8237 or just show up for our next regularly scheduled practice on Wednesday, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM.



Mark your calendars! Join us to see the World Premiere of Sight & Sound Theatres' newest show – MOSES! The parting of the Red Sea...the Burning Bush...the Plagues...the Ten Commandments...the greatest Biblical epic of the Old Testament comes to life on the Sight & Sound stage. The show is on Saturday, March 29, 2014. It starts at 2:45pm (bus leaves Palm Schwenkfelder Church at 12 noon). The price includes Perkiomen Tours bus transportation, show ticket, and dinner at Shady Maple Restaurant. The cost is \$130 for adults, \$92 for children (18 and under). Flyer and registration forms now available in the church Narthex. Questions – contact Karen Schultz at 215-679-6747 or karen.schultz12@yahoo.com

Valentine's Day Wishes

Please prepare valentine cards or treats for the church members listed below. You may make your own cards, or use store bought cards. Place the cards in the Valentines box in the Narthex by **February 2nd**. The valentines will be delivered (in some cases mailed) in time for Valentine's Day, February 14th.

Anna Bieler	Margaret Schultz
Betty & Charles Krauss	Meg Lester
Bryan Schwoyer	Sue Carlin
Carol Shafer	Verna Badman
Clara Graber	Betty Pope
Dora Mohr	Brad Hoffman
Doris & Clyde Masemore	Clark Schultz
Donald Cook	Earl Yerger
Dorothy Trumbauer	Alyssa Guldin
Erma Kriebel	Adam Walter
Gladys Hoffman	Louise Watt
Harold Smoll	Helen Miller

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.

Mr. & Mrs. William Ivey
1028 Garry Oaks Avenue
Dupont, WA 98327-7711

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Ross
21370 Shakespeare Court
Moreno Valley, CA 92557 – 8446

New Schwenkfelder Booklets

The Publication Committee of The Schwenkfelder Church is pleased to announce that the new *Schwenkfelder Heritage Sites in Southeastern Pennsylvania* booklets will be available for sale. The 70-page booklet contains historical and current information, locations and full-color photographs of Schwenkfelder churches, meetinghouses, cemeteries of the immigrants, and other places of interest. You will find a copy on display in the Narthex. There are maps of the three main Schwenkfelder districts, and smaller maps of selected sites. Two appendices list the immigrants, their “E” numbers, and places of burial. The booklets cost \$15.00 per copy. Please make checks out to “The Schwenkfelder Church.” We’d like to thank the many people who assisted the Committee, in providing photographs, history and information to make this booklet possible. The booklets may be purchased in the church office or by contacting the Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center (shipping \$3.95 additional.)



January 19, 2014

News from the PSEC Ecumenical Relations Mission Team



First row, left to right: Jerel Gade, Judy Fryer, Russ Mitman, Wanda Craner, ACM, Joanne McGee; Second row: Bruce Fryer (guest), Carlton Borden, Darcy Borden, Houghton Kane, Martha Kriebel, chair, Bob Stewart.

At the Dec. 9th meeting, the PSEC Ecumenical Relations Mission Team celebrated Pastor Gade's report on the recent visit of four shared-ministry pastors to our German partner, Anhalt District Church. They discussed their mutual ministries, both challenges and creative responses to a secular society, saw historic sights in Leipzig, Wittenberg, and Berlin and enjoyed being hosted by families who are now close friends. A PowerPoint presentation is being prepared for our congregations.

The team also heard a report from Houghton Kane on behalf of our partner, the Fellowship of Baptist Churches of Cuba, where children whose families are too poor to provide meals are fed three times a week at a cost of \$66.48 a year. This could be a possible mission project for our congregations. There is also the possibility of a musical group's visit in 2014. Another anticipated visit will be in 2017 when the Anhalt District Church will invite our Conference to send visitors to their Luther event.

Happy 10th Anniversary **Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia**



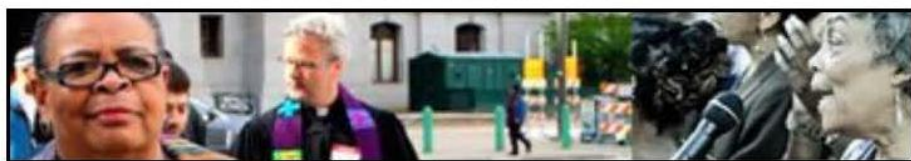
During the last 10 years the Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia has served 18,000 individuals, partnered with more than 225 local religious congregations and institutions, civic and service organizations, and to this day, remains one of the few organizations of its kind across the country.

Visit: interfaithcenterpa.org to learn more or join in the Interfaith mission to advance mutual trust, understanding and cooperation among faith communities by:

- Attending their free 10th Anniversary Celebration on **Sunday, January 26th at the Philadelphia Cathedral in West Philadelphia**,
- “Liking” them on Facebook and share their birthday news with a friend,
- Give a birthday gift to the Interfaith Center to support their work during the next 10 years.

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POWER Winter Fundraiser



Celebrate Sustain sing for Justice

Join Voices of Power for a multi-faith, multi-racial choral celebration and fundraiser for POWER on **Sunday, January 26, from 3-5pm at the Congregation Rodeph Shalom**, 615 N. Broad Street in Philadelphia PA. Parking is available on Green and Mt. Vernon Streets. Proceeds from the event will help support the 2014 campaigns for fair school funding, living wages and a pathway to citizenship. To learn more, visit: powerphiladelphia.org/events/winter-fundraiser.



Prayers are requested for Allegheny UCC in Mohnton and their pastor.

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Our Schedule: January 19 Through January 26, 2014

Sunday, January 19, 2014

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School

10:15 a.m.: Sunday Worship Service

Monday, January 20, 2014

Church Office Closed

2:30 p.m.: Music Committee Meeting

7:00 p.m.: Board of Christian Education Meeting

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

8:00 a.m.: Quilters

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open

6:30 p.m.: Brownies

7:00 p.m.: Boy Scouts

Wednesday, January 22, 2014

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open

5:30 p.m.: Children's Choir

6:00 p.m.: Junior Bells

6:30 p.m.: Senior Bells

7:30 p.m.: Senior Choir

Thursday, January 23, 2014

Friday, January 24, 2014

Saturday, January 25, 2014

Sunday, January 26, 2014

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School

10:15 a.m.: Sunday Worship Service

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Ministers: All Church Members

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Pence

Pastor Emeritus: Ronald R. Krick

Director of Music: Ed Bieler

Children's Choir: Gail Ferry

Children's Choir Accompanist: Joan Pusey

Junior Bells: Beth Croll

Senior Bells: Joanne Luz

Organist: Peg Jacob

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

Youth Director: Barbara Master

Sexton: Kevin Master (484) 358-1684

Greeter: Joan Pusey

Ushers: Tim Hoffman, Kenneth Kuhns, Maria Kuhns, Brian Shelly

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman 610-845-7208

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