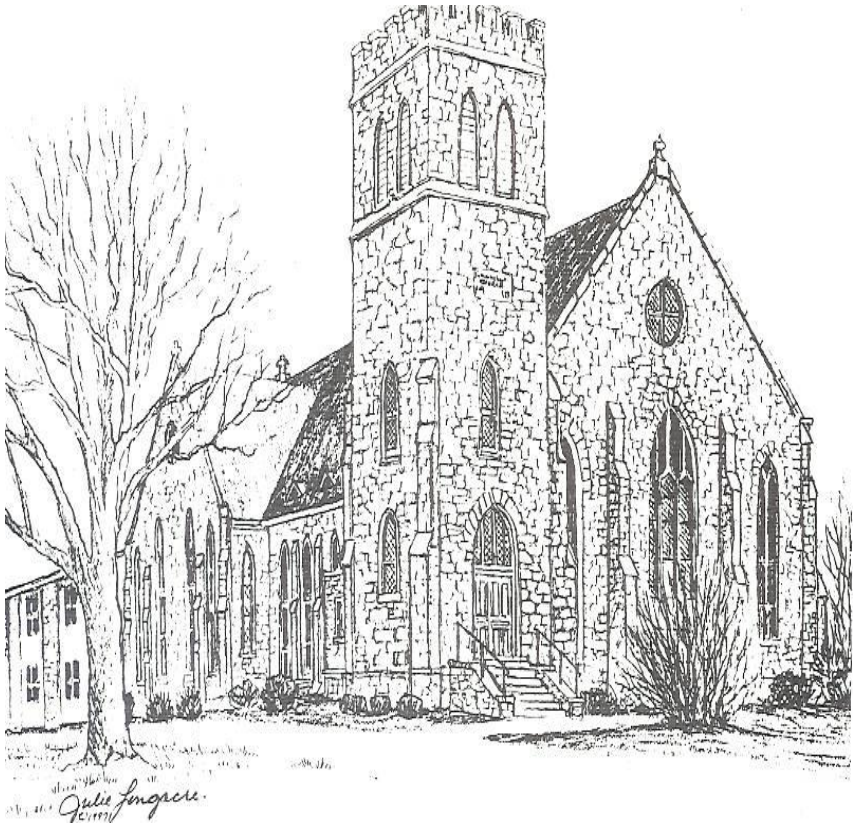


# **PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

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# **PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2014**

**Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prayer**

**Prelude**                      “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”                      Robert Hobby

**\*Call to Worship**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

**If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**

Hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and great power to redeem.

**I wait for the Lord, my soul waits; and in the word of the Lord I hope.**

Let us worship God!

**\*Hymn #558**                      “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Out of the depths we cry to you, O God. Hear our prayers, the confession of our neglect, the admission of our desire to rule in your place. Like the house of Israel in Ezekiel’s time, we are cut off from communion with you. We are like dead people, going through the motions of living. We cry out for forgiveness and a new start. We long to know you and to live in reverence before you. By your steadfast love, redeem us from our iniquities and raise us up to serve you, in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**Time of Personal Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Scripture**                      Psalm 130 (NRSV p. 500; LP p. 970)  
John 11:1 – 45 (NRSV p. 873 – 874; LP p. 1679 – 1681)

**Children’s Sermon**

**Children’s Church**                      Liz Kennedy, Rainbow Bells

**\*Hymn #561** “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

**Sermon** “See How He Loved Him”

**Senior Choir** “Days of Elijah”

Robin Mark  
arr. Jack Schrader

**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** “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” Michael Burkhardt

**\*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**

**Lift us up, O God, from the graves of our self-interest as we  
invest ourselves in sharing the good news with the world.**

**Increase our gifts of time and treasure, that all who are  
drained of hope might have their minds set on the Spirit.**

**May the Spirit raise them to new life as we celebrate the  
resurrection Jesus promised to Lazarus and to all who trust  
and follow where God leads. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #523** “Trust and Obey”

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” Henry Smith

\*All those who are able, please stand.

The bulletins are sponsored in loving memory of Claude A. Schultz, Jr. by Jean and Gregory Ross and Barbara and Gerry Colvin and families.

The flowers are presented in loving memory of Gayle Wallinger by Eric and Sasha Wallinger.

### **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:**

Bob O'Donnell, Jane Shermer, Sue Carlin, Bryan Schwoyer, Charlie Krauss, Kelsie Josie, Margaret Wallinger, Reverend Ed Winslow, Ernie Guldin, Vern Weller, Vera Boykin, 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, 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 First Church Worship Center in North Philadelphia.

#### **Bible Study**

This week's online Bible Study will note several connections for 1 Samuel 14, before moving to Chapter 15 next time. To take part in the discussion, please contact Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

#### **Youth Birthdays**

Happy Birthday, Pierce Wright (4/10)  
Happy Birthday, Aubrey Reinert (4/12)

#### **YouVersion for Kids**

The children's church kids had a great time exploring 8 Bible stories. They collected items along the way such as, the Shield of Faith, Belt of Truth, Good News Shoes and others. Bible questions were also answered along the way. A new story will be available soon.

#### **Plastic Easter Eggs**

Thank you for filling eggs for the youth egg hunt. Please return all filled eggs **today**.

#### **Youth Palm Sunday Egg Hunt**

The Youth Egg Hunt will be held **next Sunday**, at 11:30am. Meet in the Adult SS classroom (located next to the church office) for punch and pretzels before we begin. Bring your Easter baskets! Volunteers are needed that morning at 8:30am to hide the eggs. Please let Barb Master know if you can volunteer. Thanks.

## **Son of God Movie**

The time of the movie has changed. Please see Lisa Stitt or Barb Master for information.

## **Teacher Egg Hunt**

During opening devotions **next Sunday**, all classroom teachers will compete in an egg hunt to win a Dunkin' Donut party for their classroom. Come watch the fun! Youth are needed that morning at 8:30am to hide the eggs. Please let Barb Master know if your children are able to help.

## **Good Friday Walk**

Everyone is invited to join us in a spiritual walk starting at New Goshenhoppen Church and ending at St. Mark's Church with a worship service. After worship we will go to McDonald's for fellowship and free refreshments for the youth. Please be at New Goshenhoppen Church on Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, by 11:50 a.m. If you need transportation, please contact Barb Master. A parent or older sibling must accompany any children under age 11. This walk is appropriate for younger children, but if you are using a stroller it may be better to start at either St. Philip Neri School or Pennsburg UCC. Please see Barb Master with any questions. We hope to see you there!

## **Relay Banner Making**

The following dates are scheduled to make the Relay for Life team banner: today after worship, Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00pm, and Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>, after worship. Please pack a lunch for Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **VBS**

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 22<sup>nd</sup> to June 26<sup>th</sup>. Currently, we are looking for a crafts leader, 3 group leaders to take the kids around, and some registration table volunteers for the beginning of each night. Any volunteers who are not available for every night, that's okay. Let us know which nights you can help. See Barb Master.

## **Donations of Finger Foods**

After the Community Lenten Service held at Palm Schwenkfelder Church this Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, we will be serving refreshments. If you would like to contribute to the selection of delicious treats, please bring your food donations to the kitchen before the church service.

## **Can Anyone Knot Help?**

This is a call to all women, men, and children who can tie their shoelaces. Help is needed to knot quilts for the Chester County Migrant Workers. We will begin working on the quilts this coming Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 – 11:00 am, and will work on them each Tuesday at the same time for the next several weeks. You can come for just a little bit, or you can stay and help the whole time. If you have a favorite pair of scissors, you are welcome to bring them. Thread and a large-eye needle will be provided. Please come out to support a good cause, and enjoy some good fellowship while you're at it.

## **Brown Bag Lecture Series**

Come to the Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center this Wednesday, April 9, 2014, at noon, to hear a lecture by Allen Viehmeyer entitled “Hymnals and Tune Books of the Ephrata Cloister.” Between 1730 and 1766 the brothers and sisters of the Ephrata Cloister (Ephrata, PA) wrote and published original hymns and after 1742 composed their own music for these songs. Ephrata hymns differ greatly from Schwenkfelder hymns, and the Schwenkfelders did not write original music. Find out how these two colonial German communities differed in their hymnody and life style.

## **Candy! Candy!! Candy!!!**

Thank you to all who helped this week making the Easter candy! The candy will be sold today and next Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **Relay For Life Luminaria**

On Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, at dusk, at Upper Perkiomen High School, the Relay for Life of Upper Perkiomen will remember and honor loved ones through the luminaria ceremony. Luminaria will line the track. Luminaria are candle lit bags; each luminaria is lit in honor or memory of someone who has battled cancer. The honorees' names are prominently displayed on the bags. As participants walk through the night, the luminaria remind and inspire them that the fight against cancer is about real people in the Upper Perkiomen Valley community. Luminaria forms are available in the Narthex.

## **Relay For Life Super Raffle**

It's time for the “Super Raffle”!!! This has proven to be one of our largest and most popular Relay For Life fundraisers, bringing in over \$1,000 each year for the American Cancer Society. Once again, we are asking for your generosity in supplying raffle prizes. To sponsor one of our “grand prizes” please speak to any relay team member. Hand crafted items, collectibles and gift certificates are also always popular. Any item donated is gratefully accepted. Thank you in advance for your support in this very important mission project. Raffle tickets will be sold from mid-April till the end of the 2014 Relay Event. The Upper Perkiomen Relay For Life will take place on May 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> at the Upper Perkiomen High School.

## **Candy Tubes**

Just a reminder that the money-filled candy tubes benefiting the Relay for Life Team can be placed in the basket in the Narthex, or given to any Relay for Life team member.

## **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.

## **Thank You**

Thank you each and everyone, for the fun and interesting cards and objects you sent me for Valentine's Day. I am enjoying eating them and looking them over and over.

Lovingly, Louise Rothenberger Watt

## **Bulletin and Flower Sponsorships**

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

We have openings for flower sponsorships on:

May 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>

We have openings for bulletin sponsorships on:

June 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>

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!

## **Check Out Our Updated Church Website**

Have you looked recently at [www.palmschwenkfelderchurch.com](http://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.*"

## **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)

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## Upcoming Events at Locations Throughout the Conference

[Visit psec.org/psec-events](http://psec.org/psec-events) to learn more or register online

- Apr 10 - TAVERN TALKS** will present an Ursinus College student at 7 pm at the Appalachian Brewing Company, 50 W. 3rd Avenue in Collegeville 19426.
- Apr 12 - CONVERENCE-WIDE WORSHIP SERVICE** of Prayer, Reconciliation and Healing at 10 AM at St. Luke's UCC, 200 West Main Street in Trappe 19426. This is a communal and individual time for healing and peace in God.
- Apr 12 - SPRING RUMMAGE SALE** from 8 am - 1 pm at St. James UCC in Limerick. Any questions, email Nancy Ewing: [nanewing@verizon.net](mailto:nanewing@verizon.net).
- Apr 19 - 5K RUN WALK & 1-MILE FUN RIDE/WALK** at Immanuel UCC, 99 S Waverly St. in Shillington. Registration forms available at [pretzelcitysports.com](http://pretzelcitysports.com).
- Apr 21 - CONVERSATIONS AND CARE** Join Rev. Wanda D. Craner, Acting Conference Minister, for this time of listening and sharing at **7 pm at Trinity UCC, 101 South Main Street in Telford 18969**. Please register online by April 15.
- Apr 22 - SPIRIT ON TAP** presents Dr. Stephen Ohnsman speaking on "The Cancer of Fundamentalism" at 7 pm at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1741 Papermill Road in Reading 19610.
- Apr 26 and 27 - POTATO PROJEDT 2014** at the Dan Raudenbush Farm, 435 Dryville Rd. in Fleetwood 19522. To learn more, visit: [IHartHarvest.dyndns.org](http://IHartHarvest.dyndns.org) or [facebook.com/potatoproject](https://facebook.com/potatoproject).
- Apr 26-PORK & SAUERKRAUT BUFFET** from 4-7 pm at New Goshenhoppen UCC in E. Greenville. Proceeds provide outdoor ministry programs for children & adults.
- Apr 28-30 - AUCE 'MODELS FOR EXPERIENTIAL CHURCH'** 3-day workshop at the Watson Homestead Conference & Retreat Center in Painted Post, NY. For more info: [watsonhomestead.com](http://watsonhomestead.com).
- May 31 - PSEC ANNUAL SPRING MEETING** will be held at Zion Blue Mountain UCC, 6573 Old Route 22, Strausstown, PA 19559.
- Jul 9-13 - MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT** at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA for youth who have completed grades 7 through 12 and young adults from 18 to 30. Learn more: Rev. John Folk: [jfolk@Stpaulsfleetwood.org](mailto:jfolk@Stpaulsfleetwood.org).
- Sep 30, Oct 1 and Oct 14 - BOUNDARIES FOR BELIEVERS** presented from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm by the Northeastern PA Synod at various locations. To download a document with more info or to register, visit the PSEC Events page.





Blessings for College Bound

It takes vision and lots of prayer to start a church and the continue being the Church. The foremothers and forefathers of St. James United Church of Christ, Havertown did just that in 1944 when they began a church in the

pastor's home. Upon outgrowing the parsonage, they bought an 18<sup>th</sup> century dairy barn from the Grange estate and turned it into a house of worship, mission/outreach, and faith formation. The first service in the new church was just before Christmas in 1948 (they were the only ones in the area, who could truly say "Come to the stable" in the Christmas Eve advertising).

St. James still has a vision, and we are still seeking to live it out – day in and day out. We continue to see prayer as an undergirding for everything we seek to do in Chris's name and for his glory. We are a church that prays for each other, and for others – often, and aloud. This foundation of prayer has not only strengthened us, but given us both hope and courage to do what we never dreamed of nor thought we could. Thanks be to God.

Right now, at St. James a lot of our time and energy is going into:

1. Developing partnerships to help meet the needs of the 45 families who utilize our food pantry. We expect to give out \$6,000 in the form of Giant cards (to purchase gas or produce, meat or dairy, or personal care items) and 1,000 bags of groceries this year.
2. Implementing various forms of faith formation for both adults and children: customized faith formation coaching, a resource library, conference call learning and sharing, a spiritual assessment tool on our webpage, and a milestone program.
3. Living out our three-year plan for evangelism to the 12 Step recovery community, LGBT (we voted unanimously to become an ONA congregation on February 23, 2014), and college students. We have so much Good News to share; we have decided it would be a shame to keep it to ourselves (and not very Biblical at that)! To learn more, visit: [stjamesucc.org](http://stjamesucc.org).



Adult Baptism



St. James UCC in Havertown and Rev. Lynn P. Lampman would value your prayers for our evangelism efforts, food pantry families, and the continued spiritual growth of the adults and children of our congregation. Prayer changes things! Prayer changes us!

## **Lenten and Holy Week Schedule**

Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>  
Palm Schwenkfelder Church at 7:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>  
Palm Schwenkfelder Church at 10:15 a.m.

Youth Easter Egg Hunt at 11:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>  
(Communion Service)  
Palm Schwenkfelder Church at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.  
St. Mark's Lutheran Church.  
Walk begins at 12:00 p.m.  
Fellowship at McDonald's Following the Worship Service

Easter Sunday Sunrise Worship, April 20<sup>th</sup>  
Palm Schwenkfelder Church at 7:00 a.m.

Covered-Dish Breakfast Following the Service

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:15 a.m. Easter Sunday Communion Worship Service

## **Our Schedule: April 6 Through April 13, 2014**

### **Sunday, April 6, 2014**

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School

9:30 a.m.: Fire Drill

10:15 a.m.: Sunday Worship Service

Relay for Life Banner Making Following Worship Service

Easter Candy Sale Following Worship Service

### **Monday, April 7, 2014**

Church Office Closed

### **Tuesday, April 8, 2014**

8:00 a.m.: Quilting for Chester County Migrant Workers

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.: *Church Office Closing Early*

6:30 p.m.: Senior Bells

7:00 p.m.: Boy Scouts Meeting

7:00 p.m.: Daisies

7:30 p.m.: Senior Choir

### **Wednesday, April 9, 2014**

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.: *Church Office Closing Early*

12:00 p.m.: Brown Bag Lecture at SLHC

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

6:00 p.m.: Junior Bells

7:30 p.m.: Community Lenten Service Here @ Palm

### **Thursday, April 10, 2014**

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.: *Church Office Closing Early*

Deadline for Submission of Articles and/or Information for the Palm Leaves

### **Friday, April 11, 2014**

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.: *Church Office Closing Early*

### **Saturday, April 12, 2014**

### **Sunday, April 13, 2014**

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School

9:00 a.m.: Teacher Egg Hunt

10:15 a.m.: Palm Sunday Worship Service

Youth Egg Hunt Following Worship Service

Easter Candy Sale Following Worship Service

Brass Rehearsal for Easter Service Following 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: Kevin Master

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

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