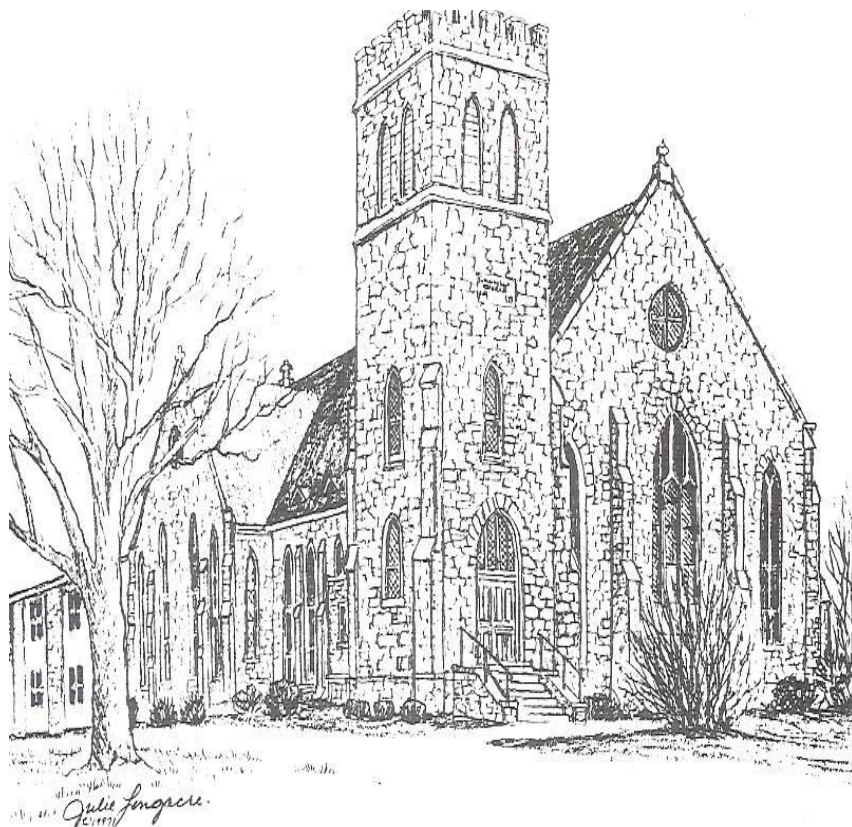


# **PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

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## **SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2014**

### **PALM SUNDAY**

**Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prayer**

**Prelude**

“The Palms” Jean-Baptiste Faure  
(duet – Ethel Soffa, pianist/Peg Jacob, organist)

**\*Call to Worship**

This is a day of joyous welcome.

Yet joy is tempered by impending doom.

**We welcome Christ with waving branches.**

**We wait with Christ through hours of agony.**

Our leader comes humbly, riding a donkey.

Blessed is the one who comes in God’s name.

**Jesus rides into the tumult of our times.**

**People still oppose the way of love.**

Yet love prevails in spite of opposition.

Give thanks that God’s steadfast love endures forever.

**Open to us the gates of righteousness.**

**Let us enter in the light God offers.**

**\*Hymn #204**

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Holy God, we have blamed you when the hosannas die and the parade turns into a mob scene. We heap our doubts on you even though our inaction adds power to those who shout, “Crucify!” We rebel against the risks of discipleship. Why raise our voices against the evil we see? One voice simply becomes one more victim. O God, we protest, but we know down deep that the victim of our silence is the way of love, the way of life. Forgive our cowardice, and help us to stand with Christ in a world that has forgotten humility and obedience to you. O God, we want to be faithful. Why does it cost so much? Amen.**

**Time of Personal Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Senior Choir Anthem**      “Ride On, King Jesus”      Traditional Spiritual  
arr. Philip Kern

**Scripture**      Matthew 21:1 – 11 (NRSV p. 802; LP p. 1541 – 1542)

**Children’s Choir**      “Little Lamb”      John Nielson

**Children’s Sermon**

**Children’s Church**      No Children’s Church Today

**\*Hymn #203**      “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

**Sermon**      “Hosanna!”

**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**      “The Holy City”      Stephen Adams  
(Ken Jacob, baritone)

**\*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**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Blessed are the gifts that are received in Christ’s name. We  
come before you, O God, with the many blessings that you  
have bestowed upon us. Accept them as in Christ you accept  
us. Use what we bring so that others can shout, “Hosanna,  
Christ reigns!”**

**\*Hymn #209**      “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

**\*Benediction**

**Senior Choir Anthem**      “Jesus Died Alone”      John Parker and Joel Raney

\*All those who are able, please stand.

The bulletins are sponsored in loving memory of Arlene Kriebel Bieler by Francis and Ethel Soffa and Andy and Sandy Kriebel.

The flowers are presented in loving memory of Andrew Roznowski by Marilyn Roznowski.

**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:**

Wanda Gentry, the family of John Kirwin, 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 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 the online Bible Study begins 1 Samuel 15. It is Samuel's most important teaching. Jesus Himself teaches it to His Disciples. To take part in the discussion, please contact Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

**Youth Birthdays**

Happy Birthday, Abigail Pusey (4/17)

Happy Birthday, Irene Pusey (4/17)

**Youth Palm Sunday Egg Hunt**

The Youth Egg Hunt will be held **today**, at 11:30 a.m. 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 a 8:30 a.m. to hide the eggs. Please let Barb Master know if you can volunteer. Thanks.

## **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 12:00 p.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: Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00pm, and Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>, after worship. Please pack a lunch for Sunday, May 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.

## **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 work on the quilts on Tuesday mornings from 8:00 – 11:00 am, for the next several weeks. And we will also be working on them on two Monday evenings, April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 – 8:30 pm. 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.

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

The Ladies' Aid will again be selling Easter candy today after the worship service in the Narthex.

## **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 Super Raffle**

Attention....Attention.....Attention! The Palm Schwenkfelder Church Relay For Life Team has once again put together a “Super Raffle” as a team fund-raiser. Tickets are \$5.00 each and will be available from mid-April till the end of the Relay. Many nice prizes have been donated including a \$400 gift card for Boscov’s, a \$300 gift card for Cabella’s, a Weber Gas Grill, a \$100 Amazon gift card, plus a variety of hand-crafted items and other gift certificates. A complete listing of prizes and sponsors will be posted in the narthex. The drawing will take place at the Relay Event held at the Upper Perkiomen High School on May 17, 2014. You need not be present to win. Please consider purchasing a ticket or two and maybe YOU could be a lucky winner.

## **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.

## **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.*”

## **Pastoral Relations Committee**

The next Pastoral Relations Committee meeting will be held Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, after the worship service in the Contemporary Issues Classroom.

## **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.

Kylene Bertoia Hart  
671 S. Gulph Road  
King of Prussia, PA 19406

## **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.)

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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*

**Mar 20 - TAVERN TALKS** at 7 pm the **Appalachian Brewing Company, 50 W. Third Avenue, Collegeville Station, Second Floor in Collegeville, PA 19426**. Captain Gerald L. Hale, Chaplain and Director of Character Development, Valley Forge Military Academy & College, will present "Faith in the Military, One Man's story" To learn more, contact Rev. Ann Few [pastorann@atlukestrape.org](mailto:pastorann@atlukestrape.org).

**Mar 25 - SPIRIT ON TAP** at 7 pm the **Crowne Plaza Hotel Goodnites Lounge, 1741 Papermill road in Reading, PA 19610**. Patrick Donmoyer will present "Pennsylvania Dutch Folk Spirituality."

**Apr 1 - QUIET DAYS** are held on the first Tuesday of each month from 9:30 am to 1 pm at **New Goshenhoppen UCC, 1070 Church Rd., East Greenville, PA 18041**. They are designed to open new avenues to communing with God, and to provide an opportunity for sharing faith journeys and stories. *Each participant is asked to bring a Bible, journal, pen and a bag lunch*. There is no formal registration, but a minimum donation of \$5 is requested on Quiet Day.

**Apr 4-6 - PSEC SPRING YOUTH EVENT** will be held at **High Point Camp, 200 Chapel Road in Birdsboro 19508** for youth between the ages of 13 to 18. Registration fee of \$90 per person includes meals, lodging, events, and activities. The only additional monies needed would be for the coffee shop which offers a variety of both coffee and non-coffee choices along with some snacks and munchies. Most of the beverages cost between \$3-\$5; most snacks are between \$.50 to \$1. Reg. deadline: March 23.

### **May 6-8 - 20th ANNUAL CLERGY CONVOCATION - This Odd and Wondrous Calling**

All clergy are invited to attend the 20th annual Clergy Convocation sponsored by the Pennsylvania Southeast and Penn Northeast Conferences of the UCC. This clergy retreat will be held at the **DoubleTree by Hilton, 2400 Willow Street Pike in Lancaster 17602**. Our presenter will be Rev. Lillian Daniel, Sr. Minister of the First Congregational Church UCC in Glen Ellyn, IL. It will be a time of collegiality, spiritual renewal and education for authorized ministers and members in discernment. Reg. deadline: April 2.

**May 31 - PSEC ANNUAL SPRING MEETING** will be held at Zion Blue Mountain UCC, 6573 Old Route 22, Strausstown, PA 19559.

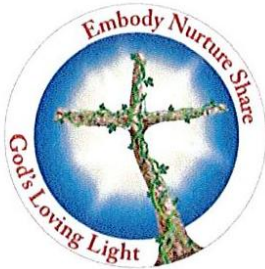
**Jul 9-13 MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT** at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA. To learn more: Rev. John Folk at [jfolk@Stpaulsfleetwood.org](mailto:jfolk@Stpaulsfleetwood.org).



## Getting to Know :

## St. Paul's UCC

300 W. First Street, Birdsboro, PA 19508



Like our namesake, St. Paul's UCC in Birdsboro has responded to the call of God to live out our faith in new and transformative ways. Gathered as a people of many generations and a diversity of backgrounds, freely we have given ourselves to the ministry of being a welcoming, Christ-centered community called to Embody, Nurture, and Share God's Loving Light both within St. Paul's and our wider community.

Within our walls, the unchurched, the de-churched, and the never thought they would be church are finding a home and spiritual lives unimagined to them. Through little more than the authentic embrace of our members, individuals are discovering what it means to be touched by the healing love of Christ – no matter where they are on life's journey.

In our work within the community, we've sought to be a cornerstone of ecumenical prayer, worship, and community service. We've pioneered

innovative youth events like Shack-a-thon, where youth and adults experience homelessness in spiritually transformative ways. We've partnered with other organizations, including our local school, to feed the hungry and to clothe the poor. And we've been recognized by our local borough for the restorative work we are doing in our community parks.



Inspired by the example of Trinity UCC, Pottstown, we are developing a ministry of summer mission trips that never leave our community. The vision is one of lasting relationship of hope and healing that transforms us and the community that we call home.

The most exciting part though, is that God is only just getting started. Within our congregation and within our community, God has so much more Loving Light to shine! Website: [stpaulsbirdsboro.org](http://stpaulsbirdsboro.org).



Prayers are requested for the mission and ministry of St. Paul's UCC in Birdsboro and Rev. Joseph A. Motz.

## **Lenten and Holy Week Schedule**

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 13 Through April 20, 2014**

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

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School  
9:00 a.m.: Sunday School Teacher Easter Egg Hunt  
10:15 a.m.: Palm Sunday Worship Service  
Easter Candy for Sale Immediately Following the Worship Service  
Brass Rehearsal Following the Worship Service  
11:30 a.m.: Youth Easter Egg Hunt

### **Monday, April 14, 2014**

Church Office Closed  
6:30 p.m.: Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting  
7:30 p.m.: Board of Trustees Meeting

### **Tuesday, April 15, 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 16, 2014**

*8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.: Church Office Closing Early*  
5:30 p.m.: Children's Choir  
6:00 p.m.: Junior Bells

### **Thursday, April 17, 2014**

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open  
7:30 p.m.: Maundy Thursday Worship Service

### **Friday, April 18, 2014**

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.: Church Office Open  
12:00 p.m.: Good Friday Walk Begins @ New Goshenhoppen Church  
1:00 p.m.: Good Friday Worship Service at St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
Fellowship at McDonald's After the Worship Service

### **Saturday, April 19, 2014**

### **Sunday, April 20, 2014**

7:00 a.m.: Easter Dawn Service  
Covered Dish Breakfast Following Easter Dawn Worship Service  
9:00 a.m.: Sunday School  
10:15 a.m.: Easter Sunday Worship Service

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## **Serving You at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

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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