

# **PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

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## SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2016

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude "Praise to the Lord" Johann Gottfried Walther

**\*Call to Worship**

Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

**We will praise God as long as we live.**

**We will pour out our joyous thanksgiving.**

Do not put your trust in rulers of this age.

Do not rely on things that are perishable.

**God keeps faith with us today and forever.**

**The oppressed and hungry receive from God what they need.**

We have received grace to minister in Jesus' name.

We are called to proclaim the faith to others.

**We want to rise to the challenge set before us.**

**We seek to keep the faith by sharing it.**

\*Hymn #26 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Giver of life, we have not thanked you enough for each breath we can take, each moment we live, each experience we enjoy or endure. We are more likely to complain than to appreciate, to wallow in cries of agony and loss than to pour out joy and gratitude. We repeat our mistakes instead of learning from them. We try to keep you out of our lives instead of turning to you daily and trusting your providence. Turn us around, God; we want to experience the confident joy of living for you. Amen.**

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture: 1 Kings 7:8 – 16 (NRSV p. 270; LP p. 532)  
Luke 7:11 – 17 (NRSV p. 839; LP p. 1613)

Children's Sermon

**Children's Church**

No Children's Church

**\*Hymn #635**

"He Leadeth Me"

**Sermon**

"Widows and Sons"

**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 Gifts Christ Freely Gives"

Mark Bender

**\*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**

**We praise you with joy, holy God, for the gospel that extends  
our human vision and challenges our cherished traditions. We  
commit ourselves and our gifts to the sharing of life-giving  
good news. May we be equipped to preach the faith in word  
and deed. Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

"I Danced In The Morning (Lord Of The Dance)"

I danced in the morning  
When the world was begun  
And I danced in the moon  
And the stars and the sun  
And I came down from heaven  
And I danced on the earth  
At Bethlehem I had My birth  
*(Chorus)*

*(Chorus)*  
*Dance then wherever you may be*  
*I am the Lord of the Dance said He*  
*And I'll lead you all*  
*Wherever you may be*  
*And I'll lead you all*  
*In the Dance said He*

I danced for the scribe  
And the Pharisee  
But they would not dance  
And they wouldn't follow Me  
I danced for the fishermen  
For James and John  
They came with Me  
And the dance went on  
*(Chorus)*

I danced on the Sabbath  
And I cured the lame  
The holy people said it was a shame  
They whipped and they stripped  
And they hung Me on high  
And they left Me there  
On a Cross to die  
*(Chorus)*

I danced on a Friday  
When the sky turned black  
It's hard to dance  
With the devil on your back  
They buried My body  
And they thought I'd gone  
But I am the dance  
And I still go on  
*(Chorus)*

They cut Me down  
And I leapt up high  
I am the life  
That'll never never die  
I'll live in you  
If you'll live in Me  
I am the Lord  
Of the Dance said He  
*(Chorus)*

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Sydney Bertram Carter

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**\*Benediction**

\*All who are able, please stand.

The flowers are presented today in loving memory of Denise Dolloff by Gene Dolloff and family.

The bulletins are sponsored today in honor of my grandson Douglass Needs, stationed in Afghanistan, by Mae Gerhart.

**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:**

Dorothy Parker, Carmen Davis, Sharon Stevens, Pierce Wright, Sarah Gentry, Jack Bold, Marian Fox, Helen Miller, Ray Fox, Goldie Graber, Kylene Bertoia Hart, David Dotterer, Edmund Kuhns, Mary and Heinz Herrmann, Wanda Gentry, Beth Cleverly, Martha Wolford, Becky and Kraig Kimmel, Marvin Zeisloft, Gladys Hoffman, Bud Johnston, Betsy Yoder, Devon Hawkins, Kerm Goda, Vern Weller, Bryan Schwoyer, Donna Weller, Donald Long, Mary Hartman, Alice Davis, Jen Fries, Margaret Wallinger, Reverend Ed Winslow, Ernie Guldin, Betty Serff, Mary Jane Burianek, Dave Jaeger, Robert Margerum, Rob Ziegler, 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 Board of Trustees.

**Bible Study**

The online Bible Study will open 1 Samuel 26 this week. Help us put it in context and draw proper lessons by contacting Rick Jones or the Church Office.

**May Youth Birthdays**

Happy Birthday...

Ethan Reynolds (6/12), Margo May (6/29)

**Teens & Adults ~ You Version Holy Bible App**

Current plans: Beauty Begins: Making Peace With Your Reflection, Hungry for God: Biblical Reflections on Food, 7 Laws Of Love, A Daily Word For Parents with Ron Hutchcraft, Acts of Repentance

**Teens** ~ Current plans: Switch TV Presents: ReNew, Set Apart, Anger, Identity, How To Be The Church

## **Sunday School Closing Picnic**

The church picnic will immediately follow the worship service **today**. Hope all can attend this fun event to end the Sunday School year.

## **Migrant Hospitality Project Action Update**

While MHP is on-call for a single-person household, we seek to add beds and linen. That will make us more flexible for the first household or give us a head start on the second. Donated twin beds are particularly useful. Types of double beds can be used, as well. Forms available in the Narthex are a reliable way to declare your intention to donate a bed. Give your completed form to any Deacon or put it in the slot of the Office door.

## **Donations for the Migrant Hospitality Project**

Offerings to support the Migrant Hospitality Project are welcomed. Please mark "Migrant" on your Envelope to direct your donation. Thank you.

## **Special Meeting of the General Conference of The Schwenkfelder Church**

A special meeting of the General Conference of The Schwenkfelder Church has been called for **today** @ 6:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Salford Meeting House immediately preceding the Salford Pilgrimage celebration. The sole purpose of the meeting will be to ratify the motions presented at the May 22, 2016, Spring General Conference: namely the approval of the previous year's minutes and the election of Board members to Executive Council and Advanced Living. The meeting is necessitated because the May 22, 2016, meeting of Spring General Conference lacked a quorum. The 34 members in attendance at that meeting did vote unanimously in favor of all motions presented. It is anticipated that this special meeting will be brief.

## **Salford Pilgrimage**

Join our Schwenkfelder churches at the historic Salford Meeting House in Harleysville **today** for worship and a hymn sing at 6:00pm. All are welcome to stay for ice cream afterwards.☺ If you are interested in attending, please write your name and phone number on the designated sheet outside of the church office.

## **Thank You**

Dear Members of Palm Church,

Thank you so much for all the get well cards and phone calls to my mom, Jean Gentry, while she was dealing with all her health issues. Also, thank you for the sympathy cards and phone calls to me after my mom's passing. I really do appreciate your kindness. Thank you, Pastor Nick, for the beautiful service, and to the Ladies' Aid for the nice lunch after the funeral.

Wanda Gentry

## **It's Barbecue Time!**

The Men of Palm Chicken BBQ is coming! Join us **this Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>** from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. for the best chicken BBQ east of the Mississippi! You won't want to miss this finger lickin' good time! Please contact a member of the Men of Palm for tickets, or see Dan in the office. And if you'd like to help out with the chicken BBQ, contact Tom Long at (267) 307-3512.

## **Brown Bag Lecture at Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center**

This coming Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, come to the Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center to hear a presentation by Allen Viehmeyer entitled “David Schultz: Recently Discovered Diaries for 1743 and 1744.” Since Andy Berky published the *Journals and Papers of David Shultze* in 1952 and 1953, diaries for 1743 and 1744 have been discovered at the American Antiquarian Society in Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1989. This presentation summarizes what Schultz wrote about his farming activities as well as his record of Schwenkfelders and events near and far in these two unpublished diaries.

## **Summer Music**

Spring is in the air, and summer will be here soon. This means our regular choirs get a break. Summer special music for Sunday worship services is being scheduled. If you know of anyone who would be willing to share their musical talent, please speak to anyone on the music committee, or sign up on the sheet posted outside the church office.

## **Spring Cleaning Dumpster**

Dates that a large dumpster will be available at the Church will soon be announced. We are asking our boards, committees, groups and church members to prepare. Plan to use this dumpster to dispose of unneeded materials throughout the church and church grounds. Time for a big spring cleaning, everyone!

## **Make Music Upper Perk**

Here is a great way to spend the first day of summer, Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>: A variety of FREE musical events will be happening in 10 different locations around the Upper Perkiomen Valley throughout the day, all open to the public! Stop by any of these locations for some great music: Upper Perk Library 10:00 am– 4:00pm; Community Thrift Shop 10:00 am-4:00 pm; YMCA 10:00 am-7:00 pm; Java Good Day 10:00 am-7:00 pm; Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center 12:00 pm-3:30 pm; Porch at Pennsburg UCC 3:00 pm– 10:00 pm; Art on Main 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm; St. Mark’s Gazebo 3:00 pm – 8:30 pm; New Goshenhoppen Park 9:00 pm– 10:00 pm. Community Life Center 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm. Lunchtime music is also available at The Wing Man, Goodyz, Mario’s Pizza, and Schultheis’ Carriage House (dinner music there too). Grab a bite and tap your toes! In addition, preview events will be held during the weekend prior; at the Wingman on Saturday evening, June 18<sup>th</sup>; on Sunday, a flute recital, featuring Evelyn Gerhart at Pennsburg UCC (June 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.); and at the Community Meal where pianists are providing dinner music on Monday June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Join us to celebrate music on (and around) June 21<sup>st</sup>! Watch the Town and Country for more information. Or go to [ValleyArtScene.wordpress.com](http://ValleyArtScene.wordpress.com) for details. You can also “Like” and follow MMUP on Facebook for up-to-date information.

**Treasurer's Report – May 2016**

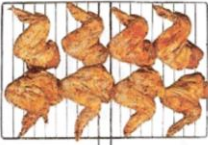
	<u>May</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Operating Cash On Hand Start of Month/Year	\$11,238.57	\$ 35,761.03
Operating Income Received	\$24,185.95	\$122,790.45
Operating Expenses	\$16,681.00	\$139,807.96
Operating Cash On Hand - 5/31	\$18,743.52	\$ 18,743.52

Annual

# CHICKEN BARBECUE

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THE MEN OF PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

SATURDAY, June 11, 2016



4:00pm to 7:00pm

AT



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PALM, PA

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Tickets are \$10.00

(Half-Chicken, Pepper Cabbage, Baked Beans, Baked Potato,  
Roll & Butter, and Dessert)

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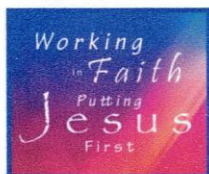
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June 5, 2016

What *very* exciting thing is happening in the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference that hasn't happened in quite a number of years?  
A multiple-day Spring Conference Meeting, of course!

No matter what the format – single or multiple day – the gathering of the churches of the conference is an uplifting occasion, and a great opportunity for bond-building fellowship, extraordinary worship, strengthening covenantal relationships, valuable speakers and workshops addressing issues that we all encounter in our ministries, AND, of prime importance, the wider church experience – something that we often miss as we focus on the ministries within our own churches. This year, the PSEC Spring Meeting will take place on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup>, at West Chester University. Our theme is ***Working in Faith, Putting Jesus First***; our focus scripture: Matthew 25:31-46.



During the course of the weekend, we will have the opportunity to hear four exciting guest speakers, beginning Friday, when Rev. Dr. William Lentz, Pastor of Messiah United Methodist Church in Lafayette Hill, will lead a two-part session on *“Leading Between the Times.”* In our opening worship on Friday evening, Rev. Alan Miller, PNEC Conference Minister, will be our guest preacher, and on Saturday evening, we will hear Dr. Anthony Campolo, Professor of Sociology and Special Assistant to the President of Eastern University. Finally, as part of Sunday morning's Celebration Worship, our guest preacher will be Rev. Dr. James Alexander Forbes, Jr., The Harry Emerson Fosdick Distinguished Professor at Union Theological Seminary.

Also woven into the flow of the weekend are a wide assortment of practical and stimulating workshops, a conferring session to handle the business of the Conference, time to peruse exhibit tables, pool and recreation time, opportunities to be together!

It's going to be an exciting and transformational weekend for all of us!  
See you in West Chester!

Glenside UCC is a church that is growing. We are growing younger. We are growing in racial and cultural diversity. As an Open and Affirming congregation we reach out to everyone, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.

Youth play an important part in our congregation. Our youth choir leads worship once a month and draws member and nonmember families. Either way, the young people know they belong here. We're preparing to send a group to the National Youth Event in Orlando and a second group of youth and leaders to serve with Appalachia Service Project to repair homes in West Virginia this summer.



"Drumming Workshop"

At Glenside UCC, on the first Sunday of each month, the children scatter throughout the congregation to gather food items that members bring for the Inter-Faith Food Cupboard and bring them to a "treasure chest" at the front of the sanctuary. The first Sunday is Communion Sunday,

and just as Christ shares bread with us from his table, Glenside UCC shares bread with our hungry neighbors. That says a lot about how this congregation understands its faith.

The members of this church love to be personally involved in mission. Every month a group goes to Old First UCC to help prepare breakfast or distribute clothing. Our youth have been involved with Appalachia Service Project for 14 years. An annual Latin American dinner raises money to help internally displaced refugees in Colombia. This year we plan to start a free community meal.

To learn more about our mission and ministry, visit our website: [glensideucc.org](http://glensideucc.org).



Prayers are requested for Glenside UCC in Glenside and Rev. Beth G. Lyon.

# **This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

## **Sunday, June 5**

- 9:00am Sunday School
- 9:00am Rehearsal for Youth Sunday During Sunday School
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 6:00pm Salford Pilgrimage

## **Monday, June 6**

- 11:00am Board of Music Ministry Meeting
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

## **Tuesday, June 7**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 1:00pm Ladies' Aid Meeting
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts - Troop Meeting
- 7:00pm Girl Scouts Senior/Ambassador Troop 72134

## **Wednesday, June 8**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 12:00pm Brown Bag Lecture Series @ SLHC

## **Thursday, June 9**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

## **Friday, June 10**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

## **Saturday, June 11**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 4:00pm Annual Chicken Barbecue (Take-Out)

## **Sunday, June 12**

- 9:00am Combined Sunday School
- 10:15am Youth Sunday Worship Service
- 11:30am Sunday School Closing Picnic
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

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**Sunday School 9:00 a.m.**

**Worship Service 10:15 a.m.**

## Church Office Hours

Tuesday through Thursday 8:00am – 4:00pm

Friday 8:00am – 3:00pm

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

Ministers: All Church Members

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Pence

Director of Music: Ed Bieler

Junior Bells: Beth Croll

Senior Bells: Joanne and David Luz

Organist: Peg Jacob

Piano Accompanist: Ethel Soffa

Piano Accompanist: Joan Pusey

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

Youth Director: Barbara Master

Sexton: Kevin Master 484 – 358 – 1684

Greeter: Lawrence Croll

Ushers: Emily Badman, Phillip Badman, Bob Croll, Lawrence Croll

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman 610 – 845 – 7208

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