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SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2015

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

Dale Wood

***Call to Worship**

May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble, and may the name of the God of Jacob protect you!

May the Lord remember all of our offerings and regard with favor our sacrifices of praise.

May the Lord grant you your heart’s desire and fulfill all of your plans.

Our pride is in the name of the Lord who hears us when we pray and answers our needs.

Let us worship God!

***Hymn #379**

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of all truth, who can stand before you? We judge by outward appearances, but you examine our hearts. We see what is on the surface, but you discern beauty deep within. We measure importance by paychecks, but you find value among those we deem lowly and insignificant. You offer us the deep and profound joy of living in your realm. We forget your promises and turn to pursuits that separate us from you and destroy community. We seek forgiveness and a new direction for our lives. Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

This morning we welcome into the household of faith

Gabriel Keith Hernandez

Son of Eddie and Brittany Hernandez

Godparents Tom and Amanda Frederick

Godparents Justin and Erica Stitt

Welcome

Address

Questions of the candidates

***Congregational Response**

We receive this child as a new person in Christ.

We offer our understanding and support as he explores life. We enfold this child in our love, seeking together to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all people. We join with these parents in telling the gospel in our midst so that this child may live with us for Christ, showing forth His love for all people.

Prayer of Baptism

Act of Baptism

Prayer

Introduction to the Congregation

Welcome by Deacon

Scripture Mark 4:26 – 34 (NRSV p. 815 – 816; LP p. 1568)

Children’s Sermon

Children’s Church Barb Master Rosemary Heffner

***Hymn #758** “Baptized in Water”

Sermon “Scattered Seeds”

Special Music “The Love of Jesus Medley” arr. M. Hayes
Performed by Betty Hildenbrand

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

“Baptized in Water”

Richard Blake

***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**

**O God, your goodness surrounds us, your grace sustains us,
your mercy redeems us; by your love we are saved. We come
before you, offering our praise for your indwelling Spirit and
giving you thanks for Christ Jesus, who sends us new life.
Placing before you the fruits of our labors, we confess anew
our trust in your goodness. We rely on your grace. We are in
the hands of your mercy as we seek to love others as you
command. Amen.**

***Hymn #678**

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”

***Benediction**

Postlude

“Trumpet Song”

Lani Smith

*All who are able, please stand.

The bulletins today are sponsored in honor of the wedding of Sarah Jayne (James) Anderson and Christopher Gipson by Rick and Darlene Jones.

The flowers today are presented in loving memory of my mother, Harriet Ryan, and of Drew 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:

Bill Ludlow, Verna Badman, Donald Long, Brian Shelly, Bob and Lucile Jones, Jean Gentry, Glenn Hoffman, Mary Hartman, Bob Frey, Sandy Zuchero, Janet Esposito, Alice Davis, Mary and Heinz Herrmann, Rick Jones, Bryan Schwoyer, Clara Graber, Earl Yerger, Jen Fries, Doris Masemore, Wanda Gentry, Margaret Wallinger, Reverend Ed Winslow, Ernie Guldin, Vern Weller, Betty Serff, Mary Jane Burianek, Karen Freed, Donald Cook, Dave Jaeger, Robert Margerum, Helen Miller, 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 Music Ministries.

Bible Study

Michal, in 1 Samuel 19:11-17, will be the focus for the online Bible Study this week. Help us discern the passage by contacting Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

June Palm Youth Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

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

Camp Discovery ~Vacation Bible School

We love because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19

Journey down the trails of Camp Discovery and step out in faith! Explore Bible truths that point to Jesus, our True North. Kids discover that God has a plan and a purpose for us. He calls us to serve our neighbors. Join us beginning next Sunday, June 21st thru Thursday, June 25th, 6:15 – 8:30pm. Registration will be next Sunday, June 21st at 6:00pm or you may pre-register by filling out a form and handing it in to the church office. Our program is for ages 4 years through 5th grade. Older youth volunteers are needed and very welcomed to help.

You Version Holy Bible App

This is a wonderful app for daily Bible reading. You can choose plans that focus on family, devotionals, youth, religious times of the year, reading partial Bible segments at a time, or a plan that helps you read the whole Bible so it doesn't feel cumbersome. It also includes some plans with music and some plans with videos. It keeps you on track and gives you many choices so you can choose what's right for you. Current New Plans: Pray, God Is..., Finding Hope at Home, Fearless, Chosen, Ambition and Your Work, and Deeper Into Scripture: 2 Thessalonians

Bible App for Kids

Current new stories: Waters Part and Walls Fall (Entering the Promised Land), A Hairy Tale (Samson), A Voice in the Night (Samuel is called to God), Stones Slings and Giant Things (David and Goliath). This is a great app for kids of all ages. Download it for a fun interactive way to read about God's Holy Word.

Sunday School Calendar

Sunday, June 14th – Combined Sunday school – closing program

Church Picnic

To help us celebrate another wonderful year of growing together in faith, *Congregation*, please join us after worship next **today** for a picnic. The Board of Christian Education will provide hot dogs and drinks. Everyone is invited to bring sides, snacks, or desserts.

Thank you to everyone who was involved throughout the Sunday school year in the many different ways that helped to keep our programs running.

Ruth 2:12 “May the Lord reward you for your deeds, and may you have a full reward from the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge!”

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 any one on the music committee, or sign up on the sheet posted outside the office. The remaining available dates are: June 21st, July 5th, 12th, and 26th, August 9th and 30th.

Spread The Word About Palm

Are you on Facebook? Did you know the church has our own Facebook page? Please consider “LIKING” our Facebook page to see the weekly happenings at church – and enjoy occasional inspirational messages. If you already follow the church’s Facebook page – please consider asking your fellow “Facebook Friends” to like our page, so they too can see our upcoming events and enjoy our church’s activities. Thank you.

Make Music Upper Perk

Make Music Upper Perk is a community festival held annually on June 21st – invites the congregations of the Valley to join for a special day of fellowship and musical performances. This year several churches will host festivities – the Gazebo at St. Mark’s Lutheran and the Porch at Pennsburg UCC’s – along with the Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center, as well as other venues around the Valley. All performances are free to the public and will feature local musicians, bands, and choirs. The day will be a celebration of music in our local community and will include genres for all ages. The full schedule will be released in the Town & Country in June as well as at the ValleyArtsScene.wordpress.com .

Time to Make the Chow Chow - Pint & Quart Canning Jars Are Needed

Ladies’ Aid will be making Chow Chow on July 24th & 25th. This process actually will start on July 7th, when we will be cutting up cucumbers for pickling. Then we will need many hands on July 24th starting at 9:00AM to help wash jars & chop fresh vegetables. The monumental task of canning will start at 7:30AM on July 25th. This endeavor is no small task and will take many hands. Please save these dates & consider helping with this Ladies’ Aid sponsored project.

Thank You

We would like to thank Betty Hildenbrand for providing the special music for today's worship service.

Treasurer's Report - May 2015

| | <u>May</u> | <u>2015</u> |
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| Operating cash on hand: | \$ 5,533.28 | \$ 29,325.78 |
| Operating income received: | \$18,871.00 | \$119,611.31 |
| Operating expenses: | \$26,910.23 | \$151,443.04 |
| Operating cash on hand May 31: | \$ (2,505.95) | \$ (2,505.95) |

Thirteenth Annual Car Show

St. Philip Neri Parish will be holding its annual Car Show on the Church grounds on Friday, July 24th, from 4:00pm – 9:00pm. Registration begins at 3:00pm. The rain date is Saturday, July 25th from 10:00am – 3:00pm, registration begins at 9:00am. There will be a Pastor's Choice Award, Top 100 Awards, and Special Awards, Dash plaques for the first 100 pre-registered, door prizes, great food and music by Hodge Podge. For additional information, call 215 – 679 – 9275 between 10:00am and 4:00pm, or 215 – 679 – 6942 (evenings).

Altar Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships

There are several upcoming dates open for sponsorship of our Sunday flowers and bulletins. Dates available for flower sponsorship on:

August 2nd, September 6th, October 4th and 11th

We have openings for bulletin sponsorships on:

August 9th and 16th, September 6th, October 25th

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!

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.

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June 14, 2015

General Synod 30 - *Unexpected Places* - June 26-30 in Cleveland Ohio

The following 30 delegates will be representing Pennsylvania Southeast Conference at General Synod. The delegation will also include three staff members, Revs. Worley and Morris and Donna Tomlinson as well as 31 visitors from PSEC local churches. Three PSEC attendees will serve in a capacity for the UCC as follows: **Rev. Dwayne Royster** –Pastor, Living Water UCC, Philadelphia, Mbr, UCC Board of Directors - will lead Community Worship on Sunday, June 28; **Ms. Elizabeth Walker, Esq.** – Mbr, UCC Board of Directors; **Rev. Dr. Chandra Soans**, Pastor, Grace Trinity UCC, Philadelphia – Mbr, UCC Nomination Committee.

Delegates-Class of 2015

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| EB | Rev. Christian Creyer |
| EB | Rev. Patrick W. Morris Sr. |
| NP | Rev. Steven Hamilton |
| NP | Rev. Dorothy Shelly |
| PH | Mr. Charles D. Kuthuru |
| PH | Rev. James M. Neal |
| PH | Rev. Les Milliner |
| RD | Mr. Marvin J. Coldren |
| RD | Rev. Selina Hamilton |
| RD | Rev. Rebecca Hoover |
| RD | Rev. Dr. Robert A. Stewart |
| RD | Ms. Sue A. Wunderlich |
| SC | Ms. Morgan M. Bates* |
| SC | Ms. Kara Druckenmiller |
| UR | Rev. Nicholas L. Pence Jr. |

UR Mr. Paul Sullivan

Delegates-Class of 2017

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| EB | Ms. Hannah Hetrick* |
| EB | Ms. Kathryn Latshaw |
| EB | Rev. Roger Ulrich |
| HB | Rev. Walter Breiner Jr. |
| HB | Ms. Tammie Wisniewski |
| PH | Rev. Cean James |
| PH | Ms. Kimberly Kendrick |
| PH | Rev. Kathryn Aikins |
| PH | Mr. Samuel Brackeen |
| RD | Rev. Zachary Jackson |
| SC | Mr. Anthony H. Dooley |
| SC | Rev. Mary Lou Eckels |
| UR | Ms. Chelsea E. Cornwell* |
| UR | Ms. Kara L. Sullivan* |

*Youth and Young Adult delegates

We invite you to learn more about General Synod at synod.uccpages.org/. Your delegates will be reviewing, discussing and voting on resolutions at Synod. These resolutions are available at synod.uccpages.org/resolutions/index.html.

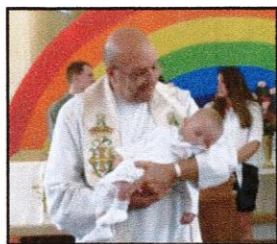
The Conference received a **wonderful** response from PSEC churches for school items for the **Stuff the Pack**, the UCC-wide mission project taking place at General Synod. We thank everyone for their donations to this mission that will bless many young learners. To learn more about this project, visit ucc.org/service_project_literacy_general_synod_03172015. To learn more about starting a similar project in your community, visit events.uccpages.org/reading-changes-lives.html.

We look forward to hearing stories from our delegates when they return.

Getting to Know:

St. John's (Pricetown) UCC

3713 Pricetown Road, Fleetwood, PA 19522

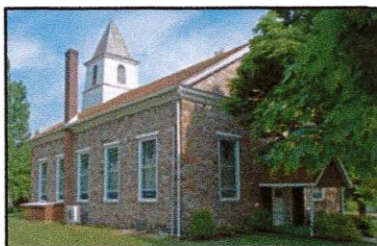


We are a church with deep roots. We were founded in 1841 as a union church with both German Reformed and Lutheran congregations. Over the years, we have shared pastors and been yoked with several nearby churches. Those roots anchor and nourish our active and Spirit-filled UCC congregation today.

We are a church with a heart for God. On any given Sunday, 35 "disciples-in-making" gather in our fieldstone structure. As in your church, during worship the acolytes light candles, choirs sing anthems, lectors read Scripture, bread is broken, prayers are uplifted, and God's word comforts, transforms, and challenges us. In addition, our reactivated Sunday School, led by a dedicated and faithful staff, offers age-appropriate ways for us to grow in faith and service.

We are a church with a heart open to others.

Those new to our fellowship tell us that we offer a genuine welcome, allow them to be part of the church regardless of who they are or where they are in their faith journey, inspire them to be better disciples, and offer them an opportunity to serve Christ and the community.



We are a church with a heart for others. Our Pot-Pie Dinners have a mission purpose: All of the monies raised by these 3 or 4 dinners is set aside for 12-15 people to participate in our Youth Mission Trips. Six times a year, we prepare a hot breakfast for 70+ guests at Opportunity House (Reading). Twelve times a year we take a special offering of canned goods to support the Oley Food Pantry. At Thanksgiving and Christmas, we bring hot meals and smiles to the homebound.

We are a church with a heart for one another. People connect with one another during church activities like Sunday School, the Busy Bee Quilters, grass cutting and cemetery care, choir rehearsals, candy making, and dinner preparations. Church life fosters these deepening connections and trustworthy friendships.

We are a small church that beats with the heart of God! We consider our "smallness" to be a gift of God. Our size enables us to know one another by name. We are familiar with each other's joys and sorrows. We include all generations in each of our activities. Each person's God-given gifts are discovered and called upon.

Thank you for uplifting St. John's (Pricetown) UCC in your prayers! May we all continue to be faithful and joyful "disciples-in-the-making!" And may God continue to be glorified in all that we do!



Prayers are requested for St. John's (Pricetown) UCC in Fleetwood and Rev. Paul L. Jones.

Palm Schwenkfelder Church
Please join us in worship:
Kraussdale
Sunday, June 21st
10:15am Worship Service



- Turn left out of the church parking lot and head east on PA 29S/Gravel Pike.
- After approximately 1.8 miles you will come to a light at Kraussdale Road.
- Turn left onto Kraussdale Road.
- In approximately 1 mile you will see a sign for Kraussdale Meetinghouse.
- The entrance to the parking area will be on your right

This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

Sunday, June 14

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

Monday, June 15

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 7:00pm Board of Christian Education Meeting

Tuesday, June 16

- 8:00am Quilters
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm Mission Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 17

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

Thursday, June 18

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- Office Closing at 3:00*

Friday, June 19

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

Saturday, June 20

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

Sunday, June 21

- 9:00am Combined Summer Sunday School
- 10:15am Kraussdale Meetinghouse/Father's Day Sunday Worship Service
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 6:00pm Vacation Bible School Begins

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

Church Office Hours (Week of 6/14/2014)

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00am – 4:00pm

Thursday & Friday 8:00am – 3:00pm

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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 and David Luz

Organist: Peg Jacob

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

Youth Director: Barbara Master

Sexton: Kevin Master 484 – 358 – 1684

Greeter: Lawrence Croll

Ushers: Robert Croll, Lawrence Croll, Alex Jalowy, Joanne Jalowy

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman 610 – 845 – 7208

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