

PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2014

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“Voluntary”

Gordon Young

***Call to Worship**

Early in the morning, our thoughts turn toward God.

We have been led to this mountaintop of worship.

We come, trusting in God’s steadfast love.

We gather, seeking the way of salvation and peace.

God has made an everlasting covenant with us.

Let us proclaim God’s faithfulness to all generations.

Sometimes we think God has forgotten us.

Often we do not understand what God expects of us.

God deals bountifully with us in much that we take for granted.

God shows us the value of life and helps us celebrate it.

We bring our sorrow and pain to this healing time.

May God provide what we need to grow in Christ.

***Hymn #29**

“O Worship the King”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Free us, O God, from such absorption in our own concerns that we forget your loving intention for us. We find it hard to view what is happening around us through any eyes but our own.

We obey our own passions rather than joining your intention for the good of all. It is hard for us, who so value our

autonomy, to speak of obedience. Yet we are ashamed of things we have done and things we have failed to do. We want to claim your free gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ. We sense that you intend for us to accept and live within that gift here and now. Help us, loving God. Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 (NRSV p. 475; LP p. 925 – 926)

Matthew 10: 40-42 (NRSV p. 791 – 792; LP p. 1522)

Children’s Sermon

Barb Master

Special Music

Vacation Bible School Songs

***Hymn #518**

“He’s Got the Whole World”

Sermon “Should You Choose to Accept This Mission...Part 2”

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

“God Will Take Care of You”

arr. Harold DeCou

***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 bring our offering, not with thought of reward, but because we are grateful. We give, not from guilt over having so much, but because it is such a privilege and joy to share. We dedicate these gifts, not to pay bills, but to enable a ministry that meets basic human needs with the good news of the gospel. May your people be empowered to give the service each moment requires, in even a deed as simple as giving a cup of cold water to quench another’s thirst. Amen.

***Hymn #840**

“God Be with You”

***Benediction**

Postlude

“Trumpet Tune”

Jean-Joseph Mouret

Reverend Frances Chester

Rev. Frances Chester is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. She served as associate pastor of the United Church of Christ at Valley Forge from March 2004 until February 2011. While not currently serving a church, Frances provides occasional pulpit supply in the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference. She is a “Buckeye,” hailing from Columbus, Ohio. Frances received her undergraduate degree in English from Mount Holyoke College and her Master’s in Divinity at Andover Newton Theological School. In between degrees, she spent eight years in various publishing jobs in New York, Minneapolis, and Boston. She is married to Barry Chester, who is employed by Pfizer, and they have two children, Sam and Abby. The family lives in Phoenixville where they are members at St. Paul’s UCC in Lionville.

Thank You

We would like to thank Barb Master, all the volunteers, and all the children who attended Vacation Bible School for providing our special music today.

*All who are able, please stand.

Today’s altar flowers are presented in loving memory of our daughter, Audrey, by Ray and Miriam Hausman.

The bulletins are presented today in loving memory of Mae E. Schultz by Jean & Gregory Ross and Barbara & Gerry Colvin and families.

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:

Bryan Schwoyer, Jean Gentry, Doris Masemore, Diana Atkins, Kurt Weiss, Sharon O'Donnell, Caroline Haines, Michelle Eschbach, Wanda Gentry, Jane Shermer, Sue Carlin, Charlie Krauss, Kelsie Josie, Margaret Wallinger, Reverend Ed Winslow, Ernie Guldin, Vern Weller, Vera Boykin, Betty Serff, Mary Jane Burianek, Barbara Kirwin, Karen Freed, Brad Hoffman, Donald Cook, Dave Jaeger, 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 Board of Trustees.

On-Call

During Pastor Nick's sabbatical, there will be a schedule of ministers taking turns to be on-call for any emergency needs. For today and tomorrow, Rev. Chuck Romanowski will still be on-call (610) 368 – 0968. Starting July 1st, Rev. Ron Krick will be on call (610) 462 – 2726.

Bible Study

How does 1 Samuel 15 impact those called to authority? That is the planned topic for this week's online Bible Study. To be part of the discussion, please contact Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

Summer Sunday School

A Summer Sunday School will be available on non-Meetinghouse Sundays this summer. We will assemble at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Is there a topic you meant to discuss a little more either from Sunday School, popular culture, or from your own study? Bring it! We will drop our planned topic and make your topic our focus.

Build a House to Make a Home

The Mission Team is ready to take on its next challenge, and in July 2014 it is to make this year's mission trip a truly inspirational one. The team will be putting their hands and hearts to work in Long Branch, NJ to help re-build a home devastated by Hurricane Sandy, while their faith in God will provide the strength to accomplish such a mighty goal. The community of Long Branch, like many along the seashores of New Jersey, was devastated and it has been a long road to recovery for its residents. The Mission Board would welcome your invaluable support through contributions that will help make the Mission Team's efforts a success in Long Branch. Please see the fundraising campaign display in the Narthex, which details how you can help purchase the materials needed to build a house, so that a New Jersey family will once again have the opportunity to make it a home and welcome the Lord into it. Any and all donations are welcome and greatly appreciated. Contributions are payable to: Palm Schwenkfelder Church, re: Mission Trip 2014. **"I will lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety" Psalm 4:8.**

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 office. Please the chart on page 11 for the remaining dates.

Nursery

There will be no church approved personnel to provide child supervision during the summer worship services in 2014. Attendants are welcome to use the nursery with their children, but are responsible for the supervision of their children. If anyone is interested in being available to provide child supervision please contact Gregg Hoffman.

Time to Make the Chow Chow

Ladies' Aid will be making Chow Chow on July 25th & 26th. 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 25th to help wash & count jars & chop fresh vegetables (time to be determined). The monumental task of canning will start at 7:30 am on July 26th. This endeavor is no small task and will take many hands. Please save these dates & consider helping with this Ladies' Aid sponsored project.

Bulletin and Flower Sponsorships

There are several upcoming dates open for sponsorship of our Sunday flowers and bulletins. We have one remaining opening for flower sponsorship on:

November 30th

We have openings for bulletin sponsorships on:

August 3rd, 10th, and 17th; September 14th, and 21st

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!

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.)

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.

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.”*

Schedule of Guest Preachers

- June 29 – Rev. Frances Chester
- July 6 – Dr. Drake Williams, III
- July 13 – Rev. Ronald Krick
- July 20 – Washington Cemetery – Historic Sermon of O.S. Kriebel
- July 27 – Rev. Deb Timmins
- August 3 – Historic Sermon of Martha Kriebel
- August 10 – Rev. Mike Tannous
- August 17 – Hosensack Meetinghouse – Rev David Luz (Hymn Sing)

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June 29, 2014

**Letter from PSEC Acting Conference Minister, Rev. Wanda D. Craner
Dated June 17, 2014 (sent as Special eNews email on June 17)**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I write to you today experiencing a wide range of feelings. The Pennsylvania Southeast Conference Consistory has just voted to enter into a **tentative** agreement of sale of our Mensch Mill properties, pending a due diligence period for the buyer. The Conference Consistory as well as members of the Budget and Finance Committee; our Realtor, Mr. John Roedig; Mr. Robert Fogal; and Ms. Tammie Wisniewski, PSEC Financial Manager, gathered to review the agreement in detail - asking questions and discussing concerns - and prayerfully coming to a decision which we are hopeful will serve the future ministry and mission of the Conference. We will make an announcement as soon as the due diligence period is completed and the final sale papers are signed. We anticipate making that announcement within the next few months.

I am grateful for the seriousness and care that the Conference Consistory, Conference staff, and all involved demonstrated while working through the sale process. We all agreed that the decision we made was the decision that was needed. But I believe each of us felt some tinges of sadness and grief, too. These feelings were accompanied by a feeling of relief and a sense that we are moving into a new era of ministry that will be broader and will continue to be faithful to the Spirit of God's movement among us. The good news is that if all unfolds as it is hoped, the spiritual retreat aspect of Mensch Mill will continue in ways different, yet connected to the past.

In Christ's peace,
Rev. Wanda D. Craner, Acting Conference Minister, PSEC

The **Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia** has moved to 100 W. Oxford Street, Suite E-1300 in Philadelphia. Contact information: 215-222-1012; email: info@interfaithcenterpa.org; website: interfaithcenterpa.org.



Prayers are requested for Gulph UCC in Gulph Mills and Rev. Mary Lake.

Jul-Oct Events at Locations Throughout the Conference

Visit psec.org to learn more

- Jul 7- Aug 10 - SUMMER CAMP AT NEW GOSHENHOPPEN PARK** 1070 Church Rd. in East Greenville 18041. Learn more: newgoshucc.org or 215-679-2041.
- Jul 9-13 - REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT** at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove for youth grades 7-13 and young adults 18-30. Deadline: June 15 at maryeucc.org.
- Jul 10-13 - UCC MUSICIANS NATIONAL NETWORK 2014 CONFERENCE** "Make a Joyful Noise" at Congregational UCC in Greensboro, NC. Info: UCCMNN.com.
- Jul 14-Aug 1 - ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE** AT Wentz's UCC, 3246 Skippack Pike in Lansdale 19446. Learn more: Lauren Trezza laurenggrayce@bellsouth.net.
- Jul 27 - WYOMISSING BAND** at Phoebe Berks, 1 Reading Dive in Wernersville from 6-8pm. More info or inclement weather: 610-927-8200.
- Aug 3 - GOLF TOURNAMENT** sponsored by Maiden creek Church at 1 pm at Richmaiden Golf Course, 234 Richmaiden Road in Fleetwood 19522. For tickets or more info: 610-926-3907 or maiden creek church@frontier.com.
- Aug 24 - PRETZEL CITY DIXIELAND JAZZ BAND** One of the summer band concerts at the Village Green at Phoebe Berks, 1 Reading Drive in Wernersville. For more info or inclement weather, call 610-927-8200.
- Sep 27 - ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT** sponsored by Epler's Church in Leesport at 12 pm at the Rich Maiden Golf Course in Fleetwood. To learn more call Cindy Petro: 610-478-9246.
- Oct 7-8 - PARISH SECRETARY SEMINAR** Join us the annual Parish Secretaries' Seminar "Welcome To My World" at the DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Hotel in Lancaster, PA. Register at LutheranCongregationalServices.org and click the link for Parish Secretaries under the Congregations column. Registrations are due no later than August 23.
- Oct 20-24 - COMMUNITY NIGHTS AT SCHOOLS** Churches and youth groups are encouraged to attend assemblies to connect with students and families needing prayer or a local church. UCC churches sponsoring/helping are: St. Paul's of Douglassville, Community of Exeter, St. Peter's of West Lawn. For more info, 610-763-8043 or visit berksbase18.org.



Classified Ads [Visit psec.org for more details](http://psec.org)

Supply Organist available during summer: Jun 15, 22, Jul 20, 27, Aug 10, 31, contact Kevin O'Connell kdoconnell2003@gmail.com

PT Director of Music - Havertown

PT Youth Group Leader - Douglassville

PT Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry - Norristown

PT Christian Outreach Coordinator - Perkasie

PT Coordinator for Youth Ministries - Glenside

Choir Director - First UCC, Hamburg

PT Administrative Assistant - Phoenixville

PT Christian Education Associate - Chalfont

PT Director of Worship Music - UCC Warminster, Warminster

SUMMER MUSIC 2014

July 6	Ethel Soffa & Peg Jacob
July 13	Dottie Heebner & Family
July 20 <i>Washington Meeting House</i>	
July 27	Bill Ludlow & Peg Jacob
August 3	Betty Hildenbrand
August 10	Gail Ferry
August 17 / Hymn Sing <i>Hosensack Meeting House</i>	-----
August 24	
August 31	

This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

Sunday, June 29th

9:00am **Combined Sunday School**

10:15am **Sunday Worship Service**

Tuesday, July 1st

8:00am **Quilters**

7:00pm **Boy Scouts**

Thursday, July 3rd

6:30pm **Boy Scouts of America – Patrol Leaders Council**

Friday, July 4th

Independence Day!

Office Closed

Sunday, July 6th

9:00am **Combined Sunday School**

10:15am **Sunday Worship Service**

3:00pm **Mission Team Leaves for Long Branch, NJ**

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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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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

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Greeter: Deb Callodonato

Ushers: Phillip Badman, Bob Croll, Lawrence Croll, Dave Woodward

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman 610 – 845 – 7208

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