

PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2015

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude “Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus” James Southbridge

***Call to Worship**

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in God's holy place?

Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false.

Such is the company of those who seek the Lord, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Let us worship God!

***Hymn #72** “To God Be the Glory”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of redeeming grace, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. Charged to travel light, we overburden ourselves. Commissioned to preach repentance, we ourselves do not change. Cautioned to avoid violence, we are quick to confront others. Called to be reconcilers, we create divisions. As Christ sends us forth and equips us to serve him, cleanse us of abusing his trust and his name. Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture Ephesians 1:3 – 14 (NRSV p. 949; LP p. 1828 – 1829)

Children's Sermon

***Hymn #520** “Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus”

Sermon “Setting Our Hope on Christ”

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

“Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus”

Lani Smith

***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**

With joyous praise and dancing spirits, we dedicate this offering, acknowledging our covenant responsibility to share your word and love all your people. In gratitude for the gospel of salvation, we pledge our first loyalty and highest faithfulness as disciples of Jesus Christ. Thank you for the wisdom and insight we have received. Help us now to live according to the best we know, in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Hymn #517**

“The Solid Rock”

***Benediction**

Postlude

“To God Be the Glory”

Garrett Parker

*All who are able, please stand.

The bulletins today are sponsored in loving memory of Catherine Soffa by Ethel and Francis Soffa and family.

The flowers today are presented in memory of loved ones by Alex and Joanne Jalowy.

A special bouquet of flowers is presented today in honor of Sandy and Andy Kriebel's 55th wedding anniversary by Andy Kriebel.

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 Diaconate.

Bible Study

This week's online Bible Study will continue work in 1 Samuel 20. Help us explore Biblical comparisons for this Chapter by contacting Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

July Palm Youth Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

Danielle Manley (7/18), Shaelyn Korn (7/25)

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.

Hosensack Meeting House

Please join us next Sunday, July 19th, for a hymn sing worship service at Hosensack Meeting House.

Scholarship Opportunity for Graduating Seniors

Endowment for Continuing Education scholarship applications are now available in the church office. If you are an active member of Palm Schwenkfelder Church and a graduating senior high school student, please drop by the office for more information on our scholarship program. All applications and their accompanying references must be submitted no later than Friday, August 7th.

Church Office

This office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, July 13th and Tuesday, July 14th. The office will reopen Wednesday, July 15th.

Summer Music

Summer has arrived. 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. The remaining available dates are July 26th; August 9th and 30th.

Spread The Word About Palm

Are you on Facebook? Did you know the church has its 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.

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

The Ladies’ Aid will be making Chow Chow on July 24th & 25th. This process actually started on July 7th, when we cut up cucumbers for pickling. Now 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.

Canning Jars Needed

Calling all chow chow lovers, please consider donating new or used canning jars (Mason, Kerr, or Ball only). This project still needs 30 dozen pints and 4 dozen quart canning jars before July 20th. Drop off at church or contact Carol Carlin-Woodward 215-679-3668. Thank you.

Thirteenth Annual Car Show

St. Philip Neri Parish will be holding its annual Car Show on their 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

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!

Christmas Stockings

The Ladies' Aid needs your help to fill Christmas stockings. We make a total of 75: 25 go to Pennsburg Manor, and 50 go to Norristown State Hospital. We try to put at least 6 items in each stocking. We would appreciate monetary gifts so that we can purchase the items and keep all the stockings the same. You can give your gifts to anyone on the committee: Miriam Hausman, Sandy Kriebel, Sally Wright, Ruth Weaver, Ethel Soffa.

Treasurer's Report – June 2015

	<u>June</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Operating Cash On Hand	\$ (2,505.95)	\$ 29,325.78
Operating Income Received	\$28,059.02	\$147,670.33
Operating Expenses	\$29,239.20	\$180,682.24
Operating Cash On Hand	\$ (3,686.13)	\$ (3,686.13)

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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July 12, 2015

PSEC CLASSIFIED ADS - additional details: psec.org/category/classified

PT Church Bookkeeper – Warminster (posted 7-1-15)

The United of Christ in Warminster is looking for a part-time bookkeeper (approximately 10 hours per week) This is a non-exempt position with salary dependent on experience, skills and education. Interested candidates may send a resume and cover letter to: Rev. Josh Blakesley pastor@uccwarminster.org. Phone inquiries: 215-675-8808.

Director of Music (posted 6-25-15)

Schwarzwald UCC, 75 Church Lane Road in Reading is seeking a full-time Director of Music to coordinate the music and worship program with the pastor and the Music and Worship Committee. Call 610-779-0850 or email your resume to schwarzwalducc@verizon.net.

Cottage Support Staff (posted 6-18-15)

Bethany has immediate openings for full-time Cottage Support Staff (CSS) working directly with our youth providing guidance, supervision and compassion while assisting our youth with emotional and behavioral interventions in a variety of settings. For more information, visit bethanyhome.org/employment.

Organ Sub Available (posted 5-29-15)

Kevin O'Connell is available as a sub organist/pianist/ choir director this summer. Also available for a jazz service that has been done at various Lehigh Valley Churches. To learn more: kdoconnell2003@yahoo.com or 484-357-9765.

Director of Contemporary Music and of Christian Education (posted 5-28-15)

Trinity UCC in Telford is seeking a full time director of contemporary music and Christian Education. This person will be on contract and should be able to play an instrument in a praise band, to sing in a praise band, and to be the leader of the praise element of our contemporary worship. To learn more, call Pastor Greg at 215-723-3889.

Director of Music Needed – Royersford (posted 5-7-15)

First UCC in Royersford is looking for a Director of Music to coordinate and plan the music program with the Pastor and the Music & Worship Committee and to provide appropriate organ/piano music for worship. Inquiries/resumes: fristuccroy@netzero.net.



Prayers are requested for Trinity UCC in Pottsville and Pastor James Fidler.

Epler's Undertakes Unique Method to Collect for Underprivileged



Epler's Church, UCC in Leesport recently used a unique method to collect paper products for the underprivileged. While a group from the church was volunteering at the Schuylkill Valley Food Pantry last year, Rev. Gary Rarick noticed that paper products were not being distributed. Buying toilet paper and other paper products can be a hardship for the needy, as those products rarely go on sale and are not often donated by corporations because they do not expire. Pastor Gary and four church members designed and built a 4-foot-by-4-foot outhouse to put in the front of the sanctuary, surprising the congregation one Sunday this spring. Pastor Gary challenged the Epler's Church

community to fill the outhouse with paper products for those who need assistance. The congregation came through for this mission project with 56 baby wipes, 700 napkins, 202 diapers, 115 rolls of paper towels, and 790 rolls of toilet paper (totaling 13,619 square feet of toilet paper!). Now Epler's is challenging other churches in Berks County (both UCC and other denominations) to exceed their giving. As of now,



there are five congregations who plan to participate by setting up the outhouse in their sanctuary. The outhouse was built to easily disassemble into four pieces for transportation and to be set up at the next church in a



few easy steps. If you would like to participate and take the outhouse for a one-month period, you may contact Epler's Church and Pastor Gary at 610-926-1006 or pastorrrarick@gmail.com.

Palm Schwenkfelder Church

Please join us in worship:
Hosensack Meetinghouse
Sunday, July 19th
9:45am Refreshments
10:15am Worship Service

(Yeakel Road and Hosensack Road, Palm, PA)



This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

Sunday, July 12

9:00am Combined Sunday School

10:15am Sunday Worship Service

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Monday, July 13

Church Office Closed

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

6:30pm Buildings & Grounds Committee

7:30pm Board of Trustees

Tuesday, July 14

Church Office Closed

8:00am Quilters

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

7:00pm Boy Scouts

7:15pm Boy Scouts of America - Troop Committee Meeting

Wednesday, July 15

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Thursday, July 16

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Friday, July 17

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Saturday, July 18

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Sunday, July 19

9:45am Refreshments

10:15am Hosensack Meetinghouse Sunday Worship Service

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 (Week of July 13, 2015)

Closed Monday & Tuesday

Wednesday & Thursday 8:00am – 4:00pm

Friday 8:00 – 3:00

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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

Sexton: Kevin Master 484 – 358 – 1684

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Ushers: Phillip Badman, Emily Badman, Brian Shelly, David Woodward

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