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SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2015

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude

“O Master Let Me Walk with Thee”

Dale Wood

***Call to Worship**

So then, putting away falsehood let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors.

Let no evil talk come out of our mouths, but only what is useful for building up.

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal.

Let us be kind to one another, tenderhearted, and forgive one another.

Let us worship God!

***Hymn #651**

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

Call to Confession

Litany of Confession

Therefore, since we are members of one another, put away falsehood and speak the truth.

Forgive us, O God, for we deceive one another.

Be angry, but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger.

Forgive us, O God, since we are prone to hold grudges.

Do not steal, but work honestly; make yourselves able to give to those in need.

Forgive us, O God, for we squander your mercies and take no delight in sharing our means.

Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, only talk that builds up your neighbor.

Forgive us, O God, for we slander one another without being conscious of the destruction we cause.

Time of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Know that Christ loved us and gave his life for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

We are sorry and truly repent of our sin, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Special Music

“First Light”

Gaelic Melody
arr. Fred Kern
Italo Taranto

“Serenade”

Brent Master

Scripture Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2 (NRSV p. 951; LP p. 1832 – 1833)

Children’s Sermon

***Hymn #638** “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Sermon

Reverend Jamie Moyer

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

“Be Still My Soul”

Jean Sibelius

***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**

**Thank you, God, for your continuing providence, even when
we complain. Thank you for the living bread, Jesus Christ,
who feeds our spirits. In gratitude for undeserved grace, and
unlimited opportunity, we dedicate our offering and ourselves.
Let our talk and our resources build up the body of Christ for
greater service. And may the needs of the many be addressed
in ways that bring hope, grace, and love to your children.
Amen.**

***Hymn #530**

“Be Still, My Soul”

***Benediction**

Postlude

“O Master Let Me Walk with Thee”

Paul Karvonen

*All who are able, please stand.

The flowers today are presented in loving memory of Carolyn Steele by the Schultz family.

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:

Donna Weller, June Smoll, Jeff Treichler, 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 Mission Board.

Bible Study

This week's online Bible Study will continue discussion of power and authority, and the impact of 1 Samuel 20:31 on our understanding. Take part by contacting Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

August Palm Youth Birthdays

Happy Birthday to...

Job Kinsler (08/30), Jovia Kinsler (08/13), Victoria Leh (08/05), Kaitlyn Mundy (08/22), Nicholas Pence (08/19), Alexis Wright (08/07)

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.

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.

Summer Music

Summer is in full swing, which means our regular choirs are enjoying a much deserved break. All of the summer special music for Sunday worship services has been scheduled. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their talents for the congregation to enjoy.

Thank You

Today we would like to thank Brent Master for sharing his talents and providing our special music.

Thank You

The congregation would like to thank Reverend Jamie Moyer for leading us in worship today.

Brown Bag Lecture

This Wednesday, August 12th, at noon, come to the Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center to hear a presentation by George Shenkle entitled “My Clear Conscience.” George is a World War II veteran, and he will talk about his experiences during WWII as recounted in his book *My Clear Conscience: The memoirs of Corporal George Shenkle, Easy Company, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82 Airborne Division*.

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.

You Can Now Donate Online

Are there are times when you find yourself unable to join us here for worship and you still want to contribute? Well now you have an easy and convenient way to donate online. Visit <http://palmschwenkfelderchurch.com/> and click the “donate” button at the top right hand corner of the page. You will find you can donate using PayPal or your credit card through PayPal. When you donate online we ask that you also fill out an online donation form specifying where you want your contribution to go; General Operating, Missions, or other. Our members of the Board of Trustees are sure that the ease of using this online payment service is well worth the small fees that our church will incur. Please call the church office, 215-679-5321, if you have questions.

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:

September 6th, October 4th

We have openings for bulletin sponsorships on:

August 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!

Pastor Nick on Vacation

For this last week of Pastor Nick's vacation, Reverend Deb Timmins will continue to be on-call for any pastoral needs. Her cell phone number is listed on the back of this bulletin.

Annual Peach & Ice Cream Festival

Pennsburg UCC will be holding their 45th Annual Peach & Ice Cream Festival **this coming Saturday, August 15th**, from 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Come out and enjoy great food, games, a bake sale, a basket raffle, and great entertainment that will include The Dogs and The Red Hill Band. For more information, contact Pennsburg UCC at 215 – 679 – 7513.

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.

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.

Furniture

Anyone interested in a 10-piece dining room set (table, chairs, china closet, and dry-sink), please contact Wayne Engle at (215) 679 – 2185.

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August 9, 2015

A Trip to D.C. Can Be a Life-changing Experience

An enthusiastic group of young environmental justice advocates from Minnesota spent three days lobbying and learning in our nation's capital last week and really left a lasting impression on the staff of the United Church of Christ D.C. offices.

"I was impressed with their passion, interest and preparation for their advocacy visits on Capitol Hill," said Sandy Sorenson, director of the UCC Washington, D.C. office. "They were thoughtful and prepared for what they wanted to say, had a clear and persuasive message, and engaged at a high level with members of Congress and their staff members."

The youth group of "pretty smart kids" from Mayflower United Church of Christ in Minneapolis did their homework and came prepared. Members of an Earthwise congregation, with plans to be carbon neutral by 2030, the engaged group of more than a dozen teens, aged 14-18, developed a strategy for advocating around a few key environmental issues in planned meetings with the Minnesota senators and representatives. They researched the voting record of their legislators to prepare for those meetings, and practiced their lobbying visits on their own initiative, with pretty compelling arguments.

"There are babies being born that will never know the beauty of the mountains we have torn apart and the forests we have demolished in our mad gluttony for resources," said 14-year-old Sophia R. "I will gather around me those who see and those who care and we cannot stop, we will not stop until this fragile little green and blue ball is safe. We have to show humans that our planet does not exist to serve us. We must be good stewards of it. There is not another."

"The trip was intentionally shaped to provide a variety of experiences to help the youth fully engage the work of social justice advocacy and introduce them to the work of faith-based community organizing," said the Rev. Kevin Brown, Mayflower UCC's director of faith formation.

In addition to their meetings with lawmakers, the teens spent time with the UCC and O.C., Inc. staff in D.C., and heard from representatives of Creation Justice Ministries....

"To be able to see and learn everything here was truly an amazing experience, said 15-year-old Alex, "and there are skills that I discovered on this trip that I will use for the rest of my life."

*To read the full article written by **Connie Larkman**, visit ucc.org and enter **Trip to D.C.** in the search box.*

LAY MINISTRY
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Lay Ministry in the 21st Century is a Tri-Penn Conference program designed "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ." Ephesians 4:12. There are a variety of learning opportunities, including: **ENRICHING DISCIPLESHIP** - Saturday sessions on a variety of topics given to enhance our knowledge and skill in living out our

discipleship. **LICENSED MINISTRY** - Designed for persons seeking to be authorized as a licensed UCC pastor. **TIME FOR DISCERNMENT** - Each year a discernment retreat is held to provide an opportunity for personal reflection, spiritual direction, and conversations with others on a similar journey. **COMMISSIONED MINISTRY** - Designed for persons seeking to be authorized as a commissioned minister in a specific area of ministry. **CONTINUING EDUCATION** - An annual educational event to provide an opportunity for continued growth in the enrichment of our call to ministry and in the developing of new ministry skills.

To learn more about the LM21C program, visit LM21C.com, email **Rev. Steve Hummel**, Program Director, laymin21century@gmail.com or call 484-239-5578.

SAVE THE DATES

2015

Sep 12: UCC History and Polity Part 1 of 3 led by Rev. Dr. Dave DeReemer

Sep 25/26: Theology and Ethics (prerequisites: Theology I & II) led by Rev. Stephen Englehardt

Oct 17: Our Spiritual Journey led by Rev. Wanda D. Craner, PSEC Minister of Spiritual Nurture

Nov 7: UCC History and Polity Part 2 of 3 led by Rev. Dr. Dave DeReemer

Nov 20/21: Models of Ministry and Administration led by Rev. Jane Hess

Dec 12: Here We Are To Worship led by Rev. Dr. Joanne Marchetto

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Jan 22/23: Pastoral Care (prerequisite: Care Giving) led by TBA

Jan 30: UCC History and Polity Part 3 of 3 led by Rev. Dr. Dave DeReemer

Feb 13: Theology I led by Dr. Lee Barrett

Mar 18/19: Pastor as Teacher led by TBA

Apr 16: Theology II led by Dr. Lee Barrett

May 20/21: Ecumenical and Interfaith Relationships led by TBA

Jun 11: Who Are We Today? Led by TBA



Prayers are requested for Old First Reformed UCC in Philadelphia and Rev. Michael Caine.

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Please join us in worship:

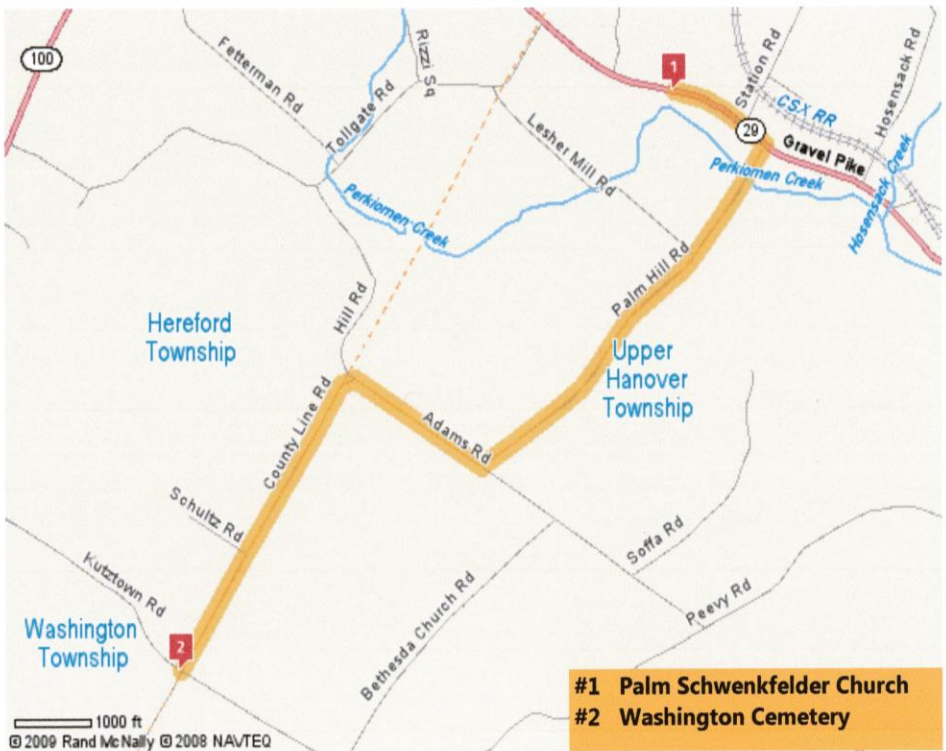
Washington Meeting House Cemetery

Sunday, August 23rd

(please bring lawn chairs)

10:15am Worship Service

Kutztown Road & Country Line Road
Hereford, PA 18041



This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

Sunday, August 9

9:00am Combined Sunday School

10:15am Sunday Worship Service

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Monday, August 10

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

6:30pm Buildings & Grounds Committee

7:30pm Board of Trustees

Tuesday, August 11

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, August 12

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

12:00pm Brown Bag Lecture Series at SLHC

Thursday, August 13

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Friday, August 14

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Saturday, August 15

12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

Sunday, August 16

9:00am Combined Sunday School

10:15am 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

Tuesday – Thursday 8:00am – 4:00pm

Friday 8:00 – 3:00

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Children's Choir: Gail Ferry

Children's Choir Accompanist: Joan Pusey

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Senior Bells: Joanne and David Luz

Organist: Peg Jacob

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

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