

# **PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

**Associate Member: United Church of Christ**



**833 Gravel Pike**  
**PO Box 66**  
**Palm PA 18070**  
**215-679-5321**

**PalmSchwenkfelder@comcast.net**  
**www.palmschwenkfelderchurch.com**

# PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2014

### REFORMATION SUNDAY

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Introduction of Confirmands and Mentors

Joseph Kinsler - Tom Long  
Andy Kriebel - Jeffrey Stauffer  
Kaitlyn Mundy - Karen Schultz  
Andrea Simon - Tammy Long

Prayer

Prelude "Ein Feste Burg" Friedrich Wilhelm Marpurg

Senior Choir Anthem "Grace Us, O Lord" Joseph Martin

\*Call to Worship

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

**Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper the work of our hands – O prosper the work of our hands!**

Let us worship God!

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

Call to Confession

Litany of Confession

We are taught to love you, O God, with all of our heart.

**We confess that our allegiance is less than complete.**

We are taught to love you, O God, with all of our soul.

**We confess that we long to have our own way.**

We are taught to love you, O God, with all of our mind.

**We confess that our thoughts are seldom so pure.**

We are taught to love our neighbors, as we love ourselves.

**We confess preference for ourselves being first.**

God have mercy upon us as we make our confession.

**Christ have mercy upon us and forgive our sin.**

Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Senior Bells**                   “Crown Him with Many Crowns”  
arr. Douglas E. Wagner

**Scripture**       1 Thessalonians 2:1 – 8 (NRSV p. 959; LP p. 1849)  
Matthew 22:34 – 46 (NRSV p. 804; LP p. 1545 – 1546)

## **Children’s Sermon**

**Children’s Church**               Barb Master

**\*Hymn#574**               “Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”

**Sermon**                   “Sharing the Gospel and Ourselves”

## **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**                               “Ein Feste Burg”                               Samuel Scheidt

## **\*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**

**As we give ourselves and our offerings, we pray, O God, that they may reveal your love in such a way that many will respond. Awaken in us a love for you and for one another that is contagious. Remove from us all apathy, pretension, and greed that we may grow in holiness and compassion, living joyously in communion with you. Amen.**

**\*Hymn#43**                   “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

## **\*Benediction**

**Postlude**                               “Built on the Rock”                               Theodore Hoelty-Nickel

\*All who are able, please stand.

Today's altar flowers are presented in loving memory of Barbara R. Goda by Anne, Daryl, Whitney, Victoria, and Kerm.

Today's bulletins are sponsored in loving memory of John and Dorothy Brunner by the 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:**

Bryan Schwoyer, Clark Schultz, Clara Graber, Anna Bieler, Earl Yerger, Donald Long, Jen Fries, Brad Hoffman, Vera Boykin, Jean Gentry, Doris Masemore, Wanda Gentry, Charlie Krauss, Margaret Wallinger, Reverend Ed Winslow, Ernie Guldin, Vern Weller, Betty Serff, Mary Jane Buriemek, Barbara Kirwin, Karen Freed, Donald Cook, Dave Jaeger, Robert Margerum, Mary 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 Ladies' Aid Society.

### **Bible Study**

Discussion underway, concerning last week's work in Ecclesiastes 4, will drive this week's online Bible Study. To join the discussion, please contact Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

### **Children's Church**

After the children's sermon all children from 4 years of age thru 4<sup>th</sup> grade are invited upstairs to participate in Children's church for an interactive Bible lesson and snack. Please advise the leader if your child has food allergies or food restrictions. Parent pick up is upstairs in the children's church room.

### **"Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" Matthew 4:19**

When you catch a youth member carrying out an act of kindness, you may tell them to put a punch in their fish card. Together we can help shape Christian behaviors.

### **Sunday School Room Committee**

Currently, a committee is being formed to help spruce up the Sunday school classrooms. Beginning with the Toddler room and moving through all the classrooms, this committee will evaluate each room and propose improvements to the Board of Trustees. Once approved, this committee will work together to execute the plan and fundraise if necessary. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please see anyone on the Board of Christian Education, or sign up on the sheet outside of the church office.

### **Nursery**

When there is no one available to supervise the nursery, parents are welcome to use the nursery but are responsible for their children. If anyone is interested in providing child supervision, please contact Gregg Hoffman.

### **Who Let "The Dogs" Out????**

Join us **today** at 3:00 pm, here at Palm in welcoming "The Dogs of Falkner Swamp" in concert. Accompanied by acoustic guitar, the popular trio will present a delightful blend of old time gospel tunes, original spiritual music, as well as secular favorites from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. Come on out for a toe tapping good time! Your free-will donation will benefit the church's ministry of music.

## **Help Support the United Schwenkfelder Choir**

The United Schwenkfelder Choir is seeking your financial support in order to carry out its ministry of music. If you wish to be a donor, please contact Beth Croll, Lee Schultz, Rev. Nick Pence, or Ed Bieler.

The following giving options are available:

The *Patron* level requires a contribution of \$5 or more

The *Contributor* level requires a contribution of \$10 or more

The *Sponsor* level requires a contribution of \$25 or more

The *Business Card* level requires a contribution of \$35 or more, along with your business card which will be slightly reduced and reproduced in our concert program.

The deadline for all donations is Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **Election Day Bake Sale**

The Ladies' Aid is holding an Election Day Bake Sale on Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Donations of baked goods are needed. Smaller items such as cupcakes, muffins, smaller sized cakes and cookies are especially popular on Election Day. Please bring donations to the church Monday evening after 7:00 p.m. or Tuesday morning. Thank you!

## **Ladies' Aid Meeting**

On Election Day the Ladies' Aid meeting will be held at the regular time (1:00pm), but instead of being in the Library it will be held in Fellowship Hall.

## **Pastoral Relations Committee**

The Committee is committed to ensuring optimum communication between the congregation and Pastor Nick and to that end, encourages questions or comments. Please feel free to contact any member of the committee: Jeff Stauffer, Dave Woodward, Gail Ferry, Lil Master, Ray Hausman, Doug Wallinger, Jean Ross, or David Luz. The next meeting of the Pastoral Relations Committee will be held in two weeks on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, after the worship service, and it will be held in the Contemporary Issues Classroom.

## **Exile Society**

The Society of the Descendants of the Schwenkfeldian Exiles will have their annual meeting **today**. Please see the announcement on page 12.

## **Ladies' Aid Christmas Stockings**

We are asking for your help again this year with monetary donations. We make 75 stockings each year to be sent to the Pennsburg Manor and to Norristown State Hospital, and we try to fill each of them with at least 5 items. With your donations we can do this. Thank you in advance.

Ethel Soffa, Sandra Kriebel, Miriam Hausman, Sallie Wright, Ruth Weaver.

## **It's Christmas Cookie Baking Time!!!**

Can you believe that Christmas is just around the corner! So many things to do, including baking our holiday cookies to be sold at the Ladies' Aid Holiday Bazaar. We have scheduled the baking dates for Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am both days. Please consider coming out for a time of fun and fellowship as we mix, roll and bake these delicious holiday treats.

## **Palm Country Day School Fundraiser**

The Palm Country Day School will be doing a Poinsettia and Blue Mountain candle fundraiser from November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. The Poinsettias will be sold for \$12.50ea., and the candles for \$15.00ea. Order forms will be available in the narthex. The candles will be available for pick-up in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of December, and the poinsettias in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week. However, the exact dates have not been set. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

## **Holiday Bazaar**

On Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. come to enjoy a fun-filled day of good food, good fellowship, and many crafters offering holiday shopping. The Ladies' Aid will sell the church afghan, the church collectible, cookbooks, chow-chow, and cookies by the pound. Light lunch will be served. Holiday baked items are needed for the baked goods table. The cost to rent a table is \$20.00. If you would like to rent a table, volunteer, or if you have any questions, please contact the church office at 215-679-5321.

## **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 may have moved, or if any of the addresses listed appear to be incorrect, please call the office to let us know. Thank You.

## **Ten Thousand Villages**

Ten Thousand Villages International Gift Festival will be held at the Upper Milford Mennonite Church, 6450 Kings Highway South, Zionsville on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, Noon – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Ten Thousand Villages provides vital, fair income to Third World people by marketing their handicrafts and telling their stories in North America. Artisans who would otherwise be unemployed or underemployed are insured income to help pay for food, education, health care, and housing. All income from sales goes to Ten Thousand Villages. Come and do your gift shopping knowing you are also providing sustenance for Third World persons. Wheelchair accessible. Credit cards accepted. Call 610-966-2733 or email [ummchurch@ptd.net](mailto:ummchurch@ptd.net) for more information.

## **Bulletin Sponsorships**

There are still two upcoming dates open for sponsorship of our Sunday bulletins.

November 30<sup>th</sup>; December 28<sup>th</sup>

The cost for bulletin sponsorship is \$15.00. Please sign up on the chart in the hallway outside of the office. And, thanks!

**UNITED  
CHURCH  
OF CHRIST**



**Communitas**

PENNSYLVANIA SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE

1441 Laura Lane, Suite 100, Pottstown, PA 19464  
484-949-8774

October 26, 2014



**Fall Youth Event**  
November 14-16  
*Mystery at High Point*  
Ages 13-18

The PSEC Fall Youth Event will be held from November 14 at 5 pm to November 16 at noon at High Point Camp, 200 Chapel Road in Birdsboro, PA 19508 for youth between the ages of

13 to 18. Registration fee of \$90 per person includes meals, lodging, events, and activities. The only additional monies needed would be for the coffee shop which offers a variety of both coffee and non-coffee choices along with some snacks and munchies. Most of the beverages cost between \$ 3and \$5; most snacks are between \$.50 and \$1. **Register online by Nov 2: <https://fye14.eventbrite.com>**. This includes a link to the event overview and medical release form.



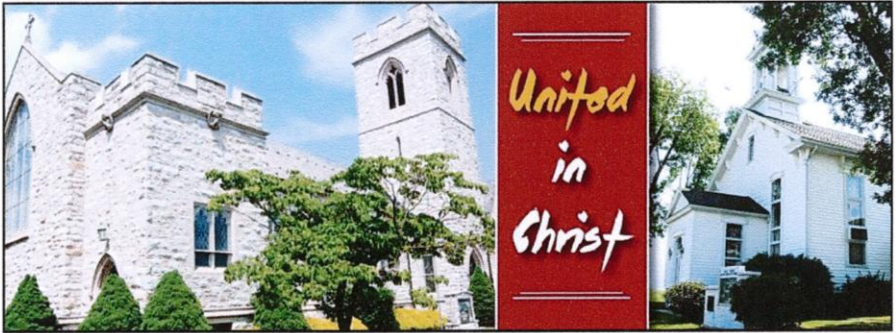
See you at the **PSEC Fall Meeting on Saturday, November 8** (registration at 8:30 am) at **St. Paul's Amityville UCC**, 1312 Old Swede Road, Douglassville, PA 19518. Online registration has closed. **[Download meeting documents: psec.org/calendarevents/events/fall-meeting-2014/](http://psec.org/calendarevents/events/fall-meeting-2014/)**.



### Proposal for Change in PSEC Annual Meeting Schedule

The Conference Meeting Program Planning Team has asked each Association to discuss the future direction of the PSEC annual meeting(s) at their Fall meetings. The discussion included the consideration of going from two, one-day meetings to one, two-day meeting, annually, with the intention of bringing this discussion to the full body at the Fall 2014 Conference Meeting for consensus. This would allow for appropriate planning to hold the first two-day meeting in 2016, if the body chooses to move in this direction. To read a list of the suggested options, visit: **[psec.org/calendarevents/events/fall-meeting-2014/](http://psec.org/calendarevents/events/fall-meeting-2014/)** and click on "Proposal for change in Annual Meeting Schedule."





The Hegins Valley Charge is a two point charge, Christ Church in the village of Fountain and Friedens in the village of Hegins located in western Schuylkill County. We have been truly blessed by God to live in this beautiful valley. We are surrounded by mountains that change with the seasons that just recently were painted with autumn colors. This is a fertile valley that attracted German immigrants to settle here, bringing with them their Christian faith. Many were Lutherans and Calvinists. Both our churches began as Union churches. We have learned to do local mission well over the years and would appreciate your prayer support for our mission programs listed below.

Christ Church has a Fuel Assistance Ministry, a fund that provides assistance to needy families with heating costs. In a typical year the fund provides \$6,000 for the community.

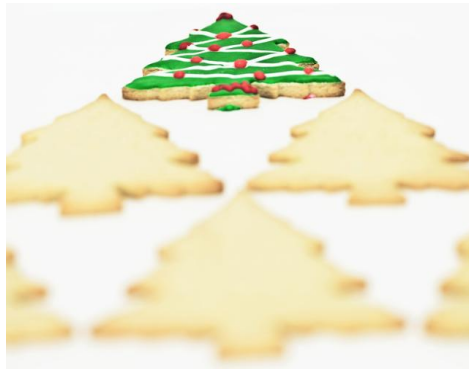
Friedens Loaves and Fishes Ministry supports the efforts of the local Food Closet. It also provides food assistance for families that may fall through the cracks of social services or may need more than the food closet can provide at a given time. Besides the food stuffs and monetary gifts it collects for the Food Closet (which is substantial), in a typical year Loaves and Fishes provides \$2500 of food vouchers redeemable at local markets for needy families in the area.

Friedens Benevolent Fund provides all kinds of other help for those whose need is other than heating fuel or food. Gasoline cards for those who need to travel to Danville or Hershey for medical treatment, emergency repairs, school clothes and supplies etc.

Both Churches are partnered with "Outreach Ministries" a local effort by several local churches that provide everyday household items such as cleaning supplies, baby items, personal hygiene items, kids' clothes and sneakers. Our congregations collect different items each month for this ministry for needy families. To learn more about our mission, visit us on Facebook: [facebook.com/heginsucc/info](https://www.facebook.com/heginsucc/info).



Prayers are requested for Friedens UCC, Hegins and Pastor Michael C. Klahr and the mission programs of the Hegins Valley Charge.



## *Holiday Bazaar*

*Date: Saturday, November 22nd, 2014*

*9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*

It will be a fun-filled day of good food, good fellowship, and many crafters offering holiday shopping. The Ladies' Aid will sell the church afghan, the church collectible, cookbooks, chow-chow, and cookies by the pound. Light lunch will be served. Holiday baked items are needed for the baked goods table. The cost to rent a table is \$20.00. If you would like to rent a table, volunteer, or if you have any questions, please contact the church office at 215-679-5321.



## **Vote...Then Eat**

**The Ladies' Aid is holding an Election Day Bake Sale on November 4th. Donations of baked goods are needed. Smaller items such as cupcakes, muffins, smaller sized cakes and cookies are especially popular on Election Day. Please bring donations to the church Monday evening after 7:00 p.m. or Tuesday morning. Thank you!**





**Performing October 26, 2014**

**3:00PM**

**Palm Schwenkfelder Church**

**833 Gravel Pike, Palm, PA 18070**

**215-679-5321**

**Admission – Free will offering**

# The Society of the Descendants of the Schwenkfeldian Exiles

105 SEMINARY STREET  
PENNSBURG, PA 18073  
215-679-3103

E-MAIL: [exile@schwenkfelder.com](mailto:exile@schwenkfelder.com)  
WEB: [schwenkfelderexilesociety.org](http://schwenkfelderexilesociety.org)

ANNOUNCES ITS

## ANNUAL FALL MEETING

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2014

2:00 pm –Annual Fall Meeting & Election of Officers

**Meeting Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center  
105 Seminary Street, Pennsburg, PA**

2:30 pm “Letters From a Montana Sheep Man”  
**presented by Darlene Schneck**

Darlene Schneck will be presenting the true, fascinating story of her Schwenkfelder ancestor, Isaac S. Schultz of Hereford, Pennsylvania. Born in 1851, Isaac was a scholar, a pioneer in the Wild West, and a missing man for 44 years. Isaac's tale will be told through letters, maps, photos, and other historical documents from the 1880s and 1931 when he was discovered.

Darlene will also share how his story came to light and then became a book entitled “Letters From a Montana Sheep Man.”

*PUBLIC INVITED / HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE / REFRESHMENTS FOLLOW*

## Official Call - Fall Meeting, 2014

Pennsylvania Southeast Conference  
United Church of Christ  
From Rev. Selina Hamilton, Consistory Secretary



**Saturday, November 8th**

St. Paul's (Amityville) United Church of Christ  
1312 Old Swede Rd., Douglassville, PA 19518  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Registration check-in: 8:30 am)

Come gather this day to participate in this time of community for Pennsylvania Southeast Conference. A day of worshiping together, handling the matters before us together, and imagining the future together. We invite and need your voice, gifts and talents in shaping the future of Pennsylvania Southeast Conference.

We will celebrate the Installation of our newly elected Conference Minister, Rev. William P. Worley. Rev. Dr. Stephanie Weiner, Associate Conference Minister, Indiana-Kentucky Conference, UCC will lead this service.

**Registration and Meeting Materials:**

A link to the online registration will be available October 9. Meeting materials are available on the PSEC [website](#). Please review and print these materials for your use at the meeting.

**Important Catering Information:**

Please note that due to catering deadlines, we are unable to offer lunch to those registering at the door.

## **This Week at PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**

### **Sunday, October 26**

- 9:00am Combined Sunday School - Mission Team Presentation
- 10:15am Sunday Worship Service
- 11:30am Reception for the Mission Team
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 3:00pm Concert with "The Dogs of Falkner Swamp"

### **Monday, October 27**

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

### **Tuesday, October 28**

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

### **Wednesday, October 29**

- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are
- 5:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00pm Junior Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30pm Senior Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30pm Senior Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, October 30**

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

### **Friday, October 31**

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

### **Saturday, November 1**

- 12:00pm Graveside Service for Sheila Schultz (Private)
- 12:00pm Daily Time of Prayer Wherever You Are

### **Sunday, November 2**

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

# PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

833 Gravel Pike

PO Box 66

Palm PA 18070

Office Phone: 215 – 679 – 5321

Fax: 215 – 679 – 2650

Pastor Nick's Cell Phone: (267) 374 – 5691

**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

[www.palmschwenkfelderchurch.com](http://www.palmschwenkfelderchurch.com)

Church Administrator E-mail: [palmadministrator@comcast.net](mailto:palmadministrator@comcast.net)

Church Office Email: [palmschwenkfelder@comcast.net](mailto:palmschwenkfelder@comcast.net)

Pastor's E-mail: [palmpastor@comcast.net](mailto:palmpastor@comcast.net)

Copyright License Number: 1433223

## **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: Jean Ross

Ushers: Alex Jalowy, Joanne Jalowy, Barb Master, Kevin Master

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman 610 – 845 – 7208

**The Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession are both reprinted by permission of The United Church Press from When We Gather by James G. Kirk. Copyright 2001 by Geneva Press.**

**The Prayer of Dedication is reprinted by permission of Geneva Press from Taught by Love by Lavon Bayler. Copyright 1998 by the United Church Press.**