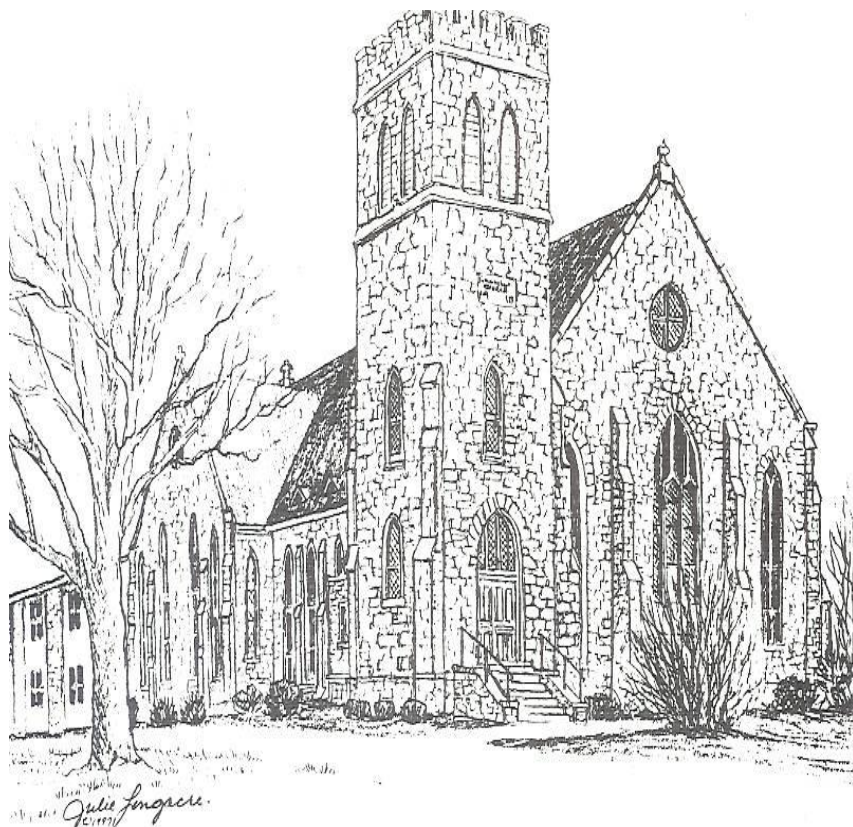


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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2013

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

Prelude

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Wilbur Held

***Call to Worship**

Bless God, all people of faith and hope.

God has looked on us with great favor.

God is our refuge and strength in times of trouble.

God is our guide and inspiration when things go well.

God gives light to those who live in the shadows.

God offers stillness amid the turbulence of our times.

We live in covenant with God, who gives us the best.

We are eager to our best to God in return.

By the tender mercy of our God, we meet for worship.

God has brought the dawn of a new day for our use.

Praise God for signs and wonders all around us.

Praise God for peace and reconciliation.

***Hymn #92**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Many times you have rescued us, O God. Yet we continue to wander away from your vision for us. We claim to be followers of Jesus, but we do not speak up when he is mocked. We do not respond when he summons us from the perilous byways we have chosen. Our words and deeds deny the faith we proclaim. God of all nations, deliver us from misplaced loyalties and unacknowledged sin. Forgive our foolish ways. Amen.

Time of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Senior Bell Choir “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” arr. Matthew Prins

Scripture

Luke 23:33 – 43 (NRSV p. 859 – 860; LP p. 1653)

Colossians 1:11 – 20 (NRSV p. 956; LP p. 1842 – 1843)

Children's Sermon

Children's Church

No Children's Church

***Hymn #549**

"Near the Cross"

Sermon

"A Different Kind of King"

***Hymn#745**

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Pastoral Prayer

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

"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross"

Franklin Ritter

***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**

**For the saving faithfulness of Jesus Christ, we give thanks.
For the church that seeks to extend Christ's ministry, we are
humbly grateful. All things we have are gifts from you, O
God, so we dedicate more than our money. We reinvest
ourselves in patient, joyful response to your promises. Hear
our prayers and empower our ministry. Amen.**

Senior Choir Anthem "Come, Glory in His Name"

George J. Elvey
arr. Mary McDonald

Verse 1

Give thanks to God, the Lord;
upon His Name now call.
Make known among the people on earth
what He has done for all.

Ascribe unto the Lord
the glory due His Name;
The splendor of his holiness
now worship and proclaim!

Verse 2

Sing to the Lord, all earth;
His saving pow'r proclaim.
Declare His glory to the world;
His wondrous deeds proclaim.

For great is God, the Lord,
most worthy of all praise;
He made the heavens and earth;
fear Him and give Him praise!

(Choir alone sings Verse 3)

Verse 4

(Congregation please stand)
Give thanks to God, the Lord;
Remember all His deeds.
His judgments are in all the earth;
He is the Lord indeed!

Sing praise to Him, now sing;
His glory now proclaim.
Rejoice, all you who seek the Lord;
come, glory in his name!

***Benediction**

Postlude

“Jesus Shall Reign”

Frederick Swann

*All who are able, please stand.

Today's bulletins are sponsored in honor of Shirley and Kenney Miller's wedding anniversary.

Today's altar flowers are presented in loving memory of Larry Yokl by Patty Yokl.

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:

Florence Miller, Vern Weller, the Nees family, Dick Guldin, Marty Glowacki, Vera Boykin, Charles Krauss, Betty Serff, Harold Weber, Mary Jane Buriianek, Barbara & John Kirwin, Karen Freed, Melissa Tabasso, Clark Schultz, Brad Hoffman, Donald Cook, Dave Jaeger, Pearl Freed, Harold Smoll, Robert Margerum, Mary Hartman, Helen Miller, Rob Ziegler, Kathy Bartman, John Hathaway, Bryan Schwoyer, 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 Men of Palm.

Bible Study

Is 1 Samuel 11 history or parable? To join the discussion on this topic in this week's online Bible Study, please contact Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

Youth Birthdays

Happy Birthday, Reid Hoffman (11/25), Anja Muse (11/29), Sabine Muse (11/30)

Kids Get Caught Being Kind!

Members of the Congregation are invited to catch kids being kind. When you see a child carrying out an act of kindness, let them know you caught them and tell them to make a punch on their *Acts of Kindness Incentive Punch Card!* The acts are limitless! Once their card is complete, the card will be entered into a drawing and they will start a new one.

Thank You

Thank you to the youth that helped at the Holiday Bazaar selling chocolate pretzels, helping with set-up and clean-up, helping out at other tables, and helping with any of the other various tasks!

Thank You

Thank you for supporting our youth by buying chocolate pretzels. We hope you enjoy them ☺

Youth Outing:

On Sunday, December 8th, after worship, bring some spending money for lunch followed by a trip to Worcester, Pa. to see the United Schwenkfelder Choir performance. Please see Barb Master or the event flyer to sign-up.

The Nativity Story Movie Night

For youth 5th grade and up, join us at Lisa Stitt's house from 7:00pm – 9:00pm on Friday, December 13th, to watch The Nativity Story movie. Warm-up at the fire and enjoy light snacks.

Christmas Program Rehearsals

Practices for speaking parts only and prop/costume crew

Sunday Dec. 1st at 9:00am and Saturday Dec. 7th at 9:30am

Practices/Performances for everyone

Sunday Dec. 8th at 9:00am, Sunday Dec. 15th at 9:00am,

Sunday Dec. 21st 10:00am performance at Frederick Home

Sunday Dec. 22nd 9:00am rehearsal and 10:15am performance

Nursery

Sadly, Sallie Wright has indicated her intent to resign from the Nursery. Sallie has been the happy, familiar face that the children of Palm Schwenkfelder Church have seen for years now, and we thank Sallie for her years of dedication to our children. If you are interested in caring for the children on Sundays in the Nursery, please contact Joan Pusey (215) 679 – 2048, or see her in church.

Used Greeting Cards

The 5th & 6th grade Sunday School class needs your help. They are looking for old/used greeting cards. They will use the pictures on the cards to help create a special book of Bible verses. Please drop off your used/unwanted cards in the designated box located in the Narthex coat closet. Thank you in advance for your help with this special project!

Senior Hand Bell Choir

Do you enjoy music? Please consider joining the senior hand bell choir as we need a couple more ringers. We will be glad to teach you. Musical experience is not necessary. If you have questions please feel free to contact Joanne Luz at 215-679-8237 or just show up for our next regularly scheduled practice on Wednesday, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM.

Thank You

We would like to thank the congregation for your financial support of the United Schwenkfelder Choir. We also hope you will continue to support the Choir by attending one of our two concerts on December 8th.

Choir Participants: Ed Bieler, Beth Croll, Rev. Nick Pence, and Lee Schultz

Thank You

A big Thank You to everyone who started preparing for the Bazaar months ago, and to the clean-up crew after the Bazaar. There was good food and fellowship enjoyed by all. You made it a huge success. Shirley



Mark your calendars! Join us to see the World Premiere of Sight & Sound Theatres' newest show – MOSES! The parting of the Red Sea...the Burning Bush...the Plagues...the Ten Commandments...the greatest Biblical epic of the Old Testament comes to life on the Sight & Sound stage. The show is on Saturday, March 29, 2014. It starts at 2:45pm (bus leaves Palm Schwenkfelder Church at 12 noon). The price includes Perkiomen Tours bus transportation, show ticket, and dinner at Shady Maple Restaurant. The cost is \$130 for adults, \$92 for children (18 and under). Flyer and registration forms now available in the church Narthex. Questions – contact Karen Schultz at 215-679-6747 or karen.schultz12@yahoo.com (This may be the perfect Christmas gift – spending the day with your loved ones)

New 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.)

Movember

As an official global charity, Movember’s vision is to have an everlasting impact on the face of men’s health. Movember encourages men to join the movement by growing a moustache for the 30-days of November. After registering on Movember.com, these generous Mo Bros start the month clean-shaven, then grow and groom their Mo (slang for moustache), asking friends and family to donate to their efforts. With their new moustaches, these Mo Bros bring much needed awareness to men’s health issues by prompting conversations wherever they go. And Movember’s not just for men. Mo Sistas are an important part of Movember’s success. Once registered, Mo Sistas raise funds and encourage the men in their lives to get involved. Essentially, Mo Sistas do everything that Mo Bros do, without a Mo. And then, at the end of the month, Mo Bros and Mo Sistas celebrate their Movember journey by throwing their own Movember events or attending one of the official Gala Events held around the world. To find out more about Movember, go to us.movember.com

United Schwenkfelder Choir *85th Annual Concert*



*'Come and Worship
Christ the King'*

Sunday, December 8, 2013

2:30 pm and 7:30 pm

*Central Schwenkfelder Church
Worcester, Pa.*

2111 Valley Forge Road ~ Lansdale

Edward K. Bieler - Director

Additional information: www.UnitedChoir.org

A Free-will Offering will be received

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November 24, 2013

Highlights from Fall Meeting 2013



On November 9, 280 pastors, delegates, youth, visitors and children gathered at New Goshenhoppen UCC in East Greenville for the PSEC Fall Meeting.



Rev. Wanda D. Craner, Acting Conference Minister, began the meeting with an invitational reflection, **What If?**

We were called to worship and work, for reconnecting and repurposing, for dreaming and listening, for healing and hope, to find the voice and the heart of God.

We experienced a visual and word sharing of ministries and missions happening in the

Conference: (left to right) Rev. Dwayne Royster, Justice Activities in the Philadelphia Association; Rev. Darryl Cruz, Justice Activities and four Associations event on Reformation Sunday; Rev. Becca Stephens and Rev. Lisa Martin, Local Youth Mission Projects; and Amy Nuccitelli, PSEC Youth Events.



Rev. Dr. Sue Bertolette sent us to "Go and Listen!" in smaller, diverse groups. We shared our answers to questions: "When has God



gotten your attention in your local church, or the conference? What was God asking you to do? What happened when you followed God's lead? What gets in the way of hearing what God wants? Why are we afraid to leave the cave or the mountain top?" After our listening groups, we joined together in the sanctuary to hear what God stirred among us. (A summary will be posted on the website for further reflection.)



We shared a meal together, and then moved to "The Work of the People" dealing



with the business of the Conference, as we eventually gathered a quorum.

The 2014 Budget was passed. There was much discussion around the presentation of the budget and finance committee concerning ideas for the use of proceeds from the sale of the church house. As a result, further discussion and consideration will be on-going.



We prayed a prayer of consecration over Rev. Sharon Morris as she became our Associate Conference Minister.




We also celebrated the removal of the stained glass windows from the former Church House in Collegeville. They will be incorporated in the new chapel at Phoebe, Richland. Praise God!

Worship and work were blended in the afternoon. We "passed the loaf" sharing Holy Communion.

We enjoyed glorious music provided by the New Goshenhoppen Choirs, Bell Ringers, and Brass Ensemble directed by Dan Tuck. At various times we were accompanied by the organ, piano, and guitars.



Our offering of \$586 will be used to support the work of the PSEC Disaster Response Team. And God was with Us....

 Prayers are requested for Harold O. Davis Memorial UCC, Philadelphia, and Rev. Dr. Kermit L. Newkirk, Jr.

Our Schedule: November 24 Through December 1, 2013

Sunday, November 24, 2013

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School
10:15 a.m.: Reign of Christ Sunday Worship Service
11:30 a.m.: Brass Quartet Practice

Monday, November 25, 2013

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, November 26, 2013

8:00 a.m.: Quilters
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open
6:30 p.m.: Brownies

Wednesday, November 27, 2013

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open
7:30 p.m.: Thanksgiving Worship Service Here @ Palm

Thursday, November 28, 2013

Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 29, 2013

Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 30, 2013

5:00 p.m.: BSA Eagle Scout Ceremony

Sunday, December 1, 2013

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School
9:00 a.m.: Kids' Christmas Program Rehearsal
10:15 a.m.: First Sunday of Advent Worship Service

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