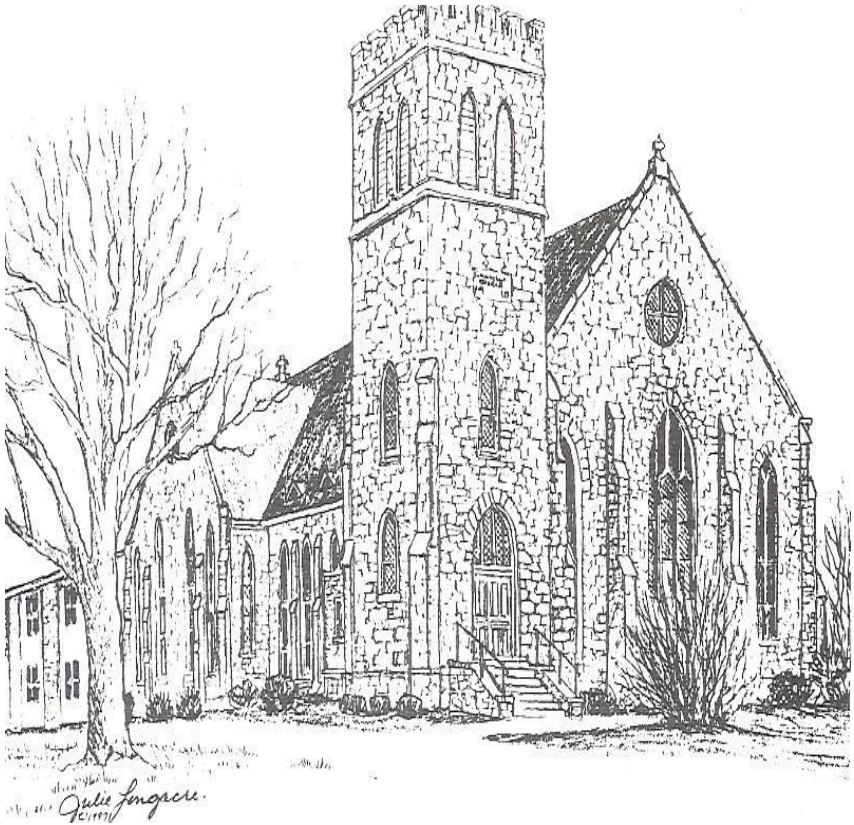


**PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**  
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**PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH**  
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2013**  
**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**  
**LAITY SUNDAY**

**Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prayer**

**Prelude** "Festival March: Battle Hymn of the Republic  
and Lift Every Voice and Sing" Michael Burkhardt

**\*Call to Worship**

Praise God, all people who are called to be saints.  
Sing a new song in the assembly of the faithful.

**We will be glad in God our Maker.**

**We will rejoice with music and dancing.**

God takes pleasure in us and receives our worship.  
God lifts up the humble and invites us to share God's glory.

**We will not cease to give thanks in all things.**

**We look to God for revelation and wisdom.**

Listen here for God's Word of truth.  
Share with one another the gospel of salvation.

**We are here to seek a better way of life.**

**We have come to learn and to do what God intends.**

**\*Hymn #751** "For All the Saints"

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Most High God, we confess that we have not aspired to the best that we know. We have neither set our hope on Christ nor treated others with the love and respect we crave for ourselves. We seek to avoid entering into the depths of another's pain or risking our wealth out of compassion for all your saints. We do not want to embrace those we perceive as enemies or do good to those who hate us. We are afraid to trust the working of Christ's power among us. O God, help us to accept the demands of faith that we may experience its joy. Amen.**

**Time of Personal Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Scripture**      Matthew 22:37 – 40 (NRSV p. 804; LP p. 1545 – 1546)  
                         1 Corinthians 13:1 – 3 (NRSV p. 934; LP p. 1797 – 1798)

**Children’s Sermon**

**Children’s Church**      No Children’s Church Today

**\*Hymn #749**                      “Rejoice in God’s Saints”

**Sermon**                              “The Gift of Love”

**\*Hymn**                              “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

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1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en ring, ring with the  
 2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit-ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, God who has

har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty; Let our re - joic - ing  
 days when hope un - born had died; Yet with a stead - y  
 brought us thus far on the way; God, who by your

rise, high as the lis - tening skies, let it re - sound loud as the  
 beat, have not our wea - ry feet, come to the place for which our  
 might, led us in - to the light, keep us for - ev - er in the

roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the  
 peo - ple sighed? We have come o - ver a  
 path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the

faith that the harsh past has taught us, Sing a song full of the  
 way that with tears has been wa - tered, We have come, tread - ing our  
 plac - es, our God, where we met you, Lest our hearts, drunk with the

hope that the pres - ent has brought us; Fac - ing the  
 path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, Out from the  
 wine of the world, for - get you; Shad - owed be -

ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun, let us march  
 gloom - y past, till now we stand at last where the white  
 neath your hand, may we for - ev - er stand, true to our

on till vic - to - ry is won.  
 gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 God, true to our na - tive land.

## **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**

"Rejoice in God's Saints"

David Cherwien

#### **\*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**

**God of glory, in thanksgiving for your abundant goodness, we seek to reach out to others as you have reached out to us. We want to treat our brothers and sisters as we wish to be treated; with dignity, understanding, and grace. May these offerings prove to be a blessing to those who give and to those who receive. Amen.**

**Senior Choir** "Look, You Saints, the Cloud of Witness" arr. Joseph M. Martin



*Cong. 1.* Look, you saints, the cloud of wit - ness  
*Choir 2.* Let us fix our eyes on Je - sus  
*Cong. 3.* Though the jour - ney seems un - end - ing,



gath - ered 'round this sa - cred place; rise as one to  
 Christ, the au - thor of our faith. Set a - side the  
 full of mys - t'ry, joy, and pain, Je - sus' o - pen



cheer us on - ward, all who choose to run the race.  
 sin that stran - gles, per - se - vere and run the race.  
 arms re - ceive us ev - er - more with Him to reign.



Sound the trum - pets! We will jour - ney swift of foot and  
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Press - ing for - ward, "Pa - tience now, the  
 Praise to God, the crown of hon - or waits for all. The



brave of soul. Let us run the race be - fore us  
 end's in sight!" shout those saints who long be - fore us  
 Vic - tor cries, "Join those saints, the cloud of wit - ness;



with our God, as days of old,  
 safe - ly reached the heav'n - ly light.  
 God's re - deemed shall claim the prize!"

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

"For All the Saints"

Lani Smith

\*All who are able, please stand.

Today's bulletins are sponsored in honor of Glenn and Nancy Hoffman's 32<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary.

Today's altar flowers are presented in honor of our children and grandchildren by Lil and Walt Master.

## **Thank You**

Thank you to Doug Wallinger and to all of our Deacons for leading us in worship today.

## **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:**

Dick Guldin, Marty Glowacki, Vera Boykin, Charles Krauss, Bradford Catarious, Betty Serff, Harold Weber, Mary Jane Burianek, Barbara & John Kirwin, Karen Freed, Melissa Tabasso, Clark Schultz, Arlene Krause, Brad Hoffman, Donald Cook, Dave Jaeger, Pearl Freed, Harold Smoll, Donna Weller, Robert Margerum, Mary Hartman, Helen Miller, Rob Ziegler, Peggy Schleicher, 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**

Isaiah, like John, may have been motivated by 1 Samuel 10:27. This week's online Bible Study will examine that possibility. To join the discussion, please contact Rick Jones or the Church Office with an email address.

### **Youth Birthdays**

Happy Birthday, Megan Johnson (11/3)

### **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 of kindness are left to your discretion. The act can be a smile, a kind word, a polite gesture such as holding a door for someone or helping to carry something for someone, or cleaning up after themselves or others. The acts are limitless! Once their card is completed, the card will be entered into a drawing and they will start a new one.

### **Youth Chocolate Covered Pretzel Night**

This coming Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm – 9:00pm join us in the church kitchen to make chocolate covered pretzels to sell at the Holiday Bazaar. We will be raising money to be used for various youth missions. If you would like to help on this fun night, please sign up in the Narthex. Youth may be dropped off if parents can't stay, but some adult help is definitely needed.



### **Pretzel and Sprinkle Donations**

If you would like to donate pretzels and sprinkles for the youth night, please drop off donations in the Narthex any time by Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Older Youth Fire Pit**

Older youth 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up, join us at the home of Lisa Stitt on Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm – 9:00pm outside by the fire pit, in fellowship, making 'smores and just having fun! Sign-up in the Narthex to let us know you're coming.

### **Kid's Corner at the Holiday Bazaar ☺**

Look for the Kid's Corner at the Holiday Bazaar. Parents can shop while their children enjoy music, reading, toys and crafts. Please see Barb Master if you would like to help at the Kid's Corner.

### **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 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> 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!

### **Election Day Bake Sale**

The Ladies' Aid is holding an Election Day Bake Sale this coming Tuesday, November 5<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, November 4<sup>th</sup> after 7:00 p.m., or on Tuesday morning. Thank you!

### **Holiday Bazaar**

On Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. join us for 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 (limited quantities of chow chow available). 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.

## **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 **today** after the worship service, and it will be held in the Contemporary Issues Classroom.



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](mailto:karen.schultz12@yahoo.com) (This may be the perfect Christmas gift – spending the day with your loved ones)

## **Bulletin Sponsorships**

There are several open dates this fall and winter for sponsorship of our Sunday bulletins. We have openings for bulletin sponsorships on:

November 17<sup>th</sup>, December 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<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!

## **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.)

## **Palm Leaves**

Copies are available in the Narthex for those people who expressed a preference to receive their newsletter at church instead of in the mail or digitally. If you would like to change from receiving your Palm Leaves in the mail to picking it up at church, please sign the sheet next to the box with the Palm Leaves in it.

## **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](http://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](http://us.movember.com)

## 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 \$2 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 10th.

Don't forget to support the choir with your attendance at this year's performances. Mark your calendar for the concerts which will be held Sunday, December 8th at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Central Schwenkfelder Church.

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November 3, 2013

## DO YOU KNOW?

### Some UCC Statistics *(answers below)*

1. How many active congregations worship in the UCC?
2. How many members are there in the UCC?
3. Has the number of *smaller* membership UCC congregations increased or decreased over the last ten years?
4. How many authorized ministers are currently serving in the UCC?
5. True or False: The majority of active ministers are over the age of 50.



To read details about the answers to these questions and other interesting information about the state of our denomination in the [UCC 2013 Fall Statistical Profile](#), visit [ucc.org](http://ucc.org), type **Statistical Profile** in the Search box.

### Where to find Information on the PSEC Website

*(accessible from every page of the website)*

- PSEC Search Committee Updates - **SEARCH UPDATE**
- Dates for upcoming bazaars, dinners, special services, TAP evenings, and Lay Ministry workshops - **LOCAL CHURCH HAPPENINGS**
- Listings of members of Associations, Consistory and Church Council, PSEC pastors and churches with email addresses and church phone numbers, Sunday Supply Pastors - **DIRECTORIES**
- Fall Meeting documents, Search and Call documents, Stewardship and 501 C3 documentation - **RESOURCES**
- Latest news from PSEC - **PSEC NEWSROOM**
- Registration for PSEC events - **REGISTER FOR EVENTS ON EVENTBRITE**
- Directions to the Conference Office - **ABOUT PSEC**
- Employment opportunities, items for purchase and free - **CLASSIFIED**
- Sign up for weekly eNews email with links - **SIGN UP FOR ENEWS**

### CWS Calls for KITS

Emergency Clean-up Buckets, Baby Kits, and School Kits are needed by Church World Services for distribution to domestic and international partners. For more information on Kits, visit [cwsglobal.org/kits](http://cwsglobal.org/kits).

1. 5,154 churches 2. 998,906 members 3. increased, due, in part, to overall congregational membership decline within the denomination 4. 7,578 active authorized ministers 5. True, 80.7% of all active ministers are age 50 and above.

## Getting to Know:

## St. John's UCC

4-6 N. Main St., Richlandtown, PA 18955-0356

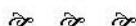


The white church on the corner, located across the street from Phoebe Richland, is St. John's UCC, a multigenerational congregation, made up of people who are young, old and in between.

For over 206 years, St. John's has gathered for worship and service as the body of Christ. We are proud of our music ministry which features a Community Cantata Choir made up of many who like to sing. The Cantata Choir presents two concerts each year to a packed church of appreciative listeners.

St. John's is involved in many ministries. With Phoebe Richland across the street, opportunities abound to reach out to our elders, such as Halloween Trick 'r Treating, Christmas Caroling, Secret Santa's, and a special concert from our Community Cantata Choir. In addition to ministry with our elders, we participate in various outreach opportunities in the community, such as Food for Friends, St John's night at the at the Quakertown Food Pantry, and the Ministerium Christmas Carnival. Several weeks following our VBS we hosted several community "Watermelon Wednesdays," story time on the lawn complete with guests such as the Richlandtown Fire Company.

St. John's is known in the community for our annual peach festivals and rummage sales which have been traditions for over 30 years. To learn more, visit our website: [stjohnsucc.org](http://stjohnsucc.org).

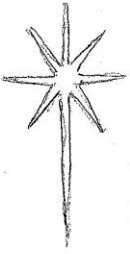


### Hurricane Sandy One Year Later – Not Forgotten

Register your group [ucc.org/volunteer/disaster-recovery-volunteers/](http://ucc.org/volunteer/disaster-recovery-volunteers/). Contact: Judy Moore, UCC Disaster Recovery Registrar, 802-299-8290 or [jmooreucc@gmail.com](mailto:jmooreucc@gmail.com).



Prayers are requested for St. John's UCC in Richlandtown and Rev. Linda Lennon.



# Palm Schwenkfelder Church

Route 29, Palm, PA

## HOLIDAY BAZAAR

November 23, 2013

9:00 to 3:00

Featuring

Country and Victorian crafts, Jewelry, Woodwork,  
Ceramics, Needlework and  
Hand Painted items

Holiday Baked Goods, Cookies, Candies  
Jellies, Jams and limited Chow-Chow

Light lunch also available

Miller Keystone Blood Mobile

9:00 to 2:00

Walk-ins welcome





**Our Schedule: November 3 Through November 10, 2013**

**Sunday, November 3, 2013**

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School

10:15 a.m.: Laity Sunday/All Saints Day Worship Service

Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting Immediately Following Worship

**Monday, November 4, 2013**

Church Office Closed

**Tuesday, November 5, 2013**

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.: Election Day

7:00 a.m.: Election Day Bake Sale

8:00 a.m.: Quilters

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open

1:00 p.m.: Ladies' Aid Meeting

6:30 p.m.: Brownies

6:45 p.m.: Boy Scouts

7:00 p.m.: Missions Board Meeting

7:00 p.m.: Daisies

7:00 p.m.: Cadettes

**Wednesday, November 6, 2013**

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open

5:30 p.m.: Children's Choir

6:00 p.m.: Junior Bells

6:30 p.m.: Senior Bells

7:30 p.m.: Senior Choir

**Thursday, November 7, 2013**

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Church Office Open

9:00 a.m.: Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m.: Diaconate Meeting

**Friday, November 8, 2013**

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.: Church Office Open

6:00 p.m.: Youth Making Chocolate Covered Pretzels

**Saturday, November 9, 2013**

**Sunday, November 10, 2013**

9:00 a.m.: Sunday School

10:15 a.m.: Sunday Worship Service

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## **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 Luz

Organist: Peg Jacob

Church Administrator: J. Daniel Ferry

Youth Director: Barbara Master

Sexton: Kevin Master (484) 358-1684

Greeter: Lawrence Croll

Ushers: Glenn Hoffman, Nancy Hoffman, Rick Jones, Kevin Schultz

Prayer Chain: Nancy Hoffman 610-845-7208

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