

Central's CONNECTIONS

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LOVE GOD. SERVE OTHERS. GROW DISCIPLES.

February 19, 2017

WELCOME...we are glad you are here! If you have young children, you are welcome to drop them off at the beginning of the service to our Children's Ministry Program, "Jesus And Me" (J.A.M.). All the rooms are located in the main hallway on the main floor. Infants to 2 years meet in the Nursery; children ages 2-4 years meet in the Barn Room; children ages 5-8 years meet in the Beginner's Room. A check-in and check-out system with name tags is in place.

Church News and Notes

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in Honor and Loving memory of:

Jennifer L. Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Wismer Kriebel

Those needing prayer: (*Discharged from medical facility)

*Barbara Middleton - Einstein Montgomery
Ruth Roberts – UPMC – Susquehanna
*Patricia Lawlis – Abington Lansdale

Sympathy is extended to the family of Gladys Rittenhouse, who passed away on Wednesday, February 15th.

Thank you, everyone for your prayers, phone calls and cards during my recent illness. I am on my way to good health once again. Also thanks to Pastor David and Pastor Bill for their calls. I am still enjoying the flowers that were on the altar last Sunday.
Wilma Werley

Prayer for Church Life

Please pray for next weeks' **congregational meeting**. Ask God's presence to be felt amongst us, and that we might receive His guidance as we meet to discuss the business of the church.

Prayer for Missions

Pray for **Steve Baker** and out upcoming **GAIN** event here at the church. Pray that we as a church, are able to be a help in their mission to serve those in need and share the love of Jesus Christ.

** These individuals and organizations are supported by our Board of Missions

MISSION MOMENT

Today's guest speaker, Steve Baker, came to faith in Jesus at West Virginia University and this summer will celebrate 29 years on staff with CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ International). After 24 years in campus ministry, fourteen leading ministries in and around Philadelphia, he made a transition in 2012 to serve as the Mobile Events Coordinator for CRU's Global Aid Network (www.gainusa.org). He and his wife, Judy, have 3 sons, Zac (19), Luke (17), and Andrew (14), and along with their neurotic dog, Zoe, live in Kennett Square, PA. Central Schwenkfelder first began supporting Judy almost 27 years ago and we have been partners with the Bakers for all 25 years of their married life together.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 19 – Rev. Dr. David McKinley – Mission Moment - GAIN, USA

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service
10:10 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Informal Worship Service
2:00 p.m. Meadowood Service
5:30 p.m. Dorian Choir (CCC)
6:30 p.m. Wired and Crave (AYS, CCC)
6:45 p.m. Small Group

Monday, February 20-Church Office Closed

7:30 p.m. Chancel Bells (PP)

Tuesday, February 21

9:30 a.m. MOPS (CCC)
7:00 p.m. North Pennsmen (FH)

Wednesday, February 22

9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study (CCC)
9:45 a.m. Lamps Bible Study (FH)
5:30 p.m. Junior Choir (JR)
6:30 p.m. Awana – Crazy Hair Night (CCC)
Celebration Brass (FH)
7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting (PRAY)
Brasswind (SANC)
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (FH)

Thursday, February 23

6:15 p.m. 363 Worship (CCC)
Bethel Bible (BETH)
7:00 p.m. Women's Retreat Mtg. (ACR)
7:15 p.m. Worship Band (FH)

Friday, February 24

2:00 p.m. Schwenkfelder Tea at Dock

Saturday, February 25

9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (AYS)
1:00 p.m. Deacons Set-up (KIT/FH)

Sunday, February 26 – Youth Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. **Blended Service**
12:00 p.m. Luncheon/ Annual Congregational Meeting (FH)
5:30 p.m. Dorian Choir (CCC)
6:30 p.m. Wired and Crave (AYS, CCC)





VISITORS COFFEE KLATCH

If you are visiting with us today, please join Pastor David for coffee and some treats in the vestibule immediately following the service. He will be available for about 15 minutes and would love the chance to sit down with you, enjoy a cup of coffee and get to know you better. He is also willing to answer any questions you may have about Central Schwenkfelder Church.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Congregational Luncheon and Meeting will be held after the Blended Service next Sunday, February 26th, at approximately 11:45 a.m. Copies of the report are now available in Fellowship Hall for review. The Slate of Nominees to be voted on is posted in the main hallway. Child care will be available during the meeting.

SPECIAL LENTEN COMMUNION SERVICE

On Wednesday, March 1st, there will be a special **Lenten Communion Service** at 7:00 p.m. This service is intended for our congregation and guests to reflect on the sacrifice that Christ made for all of our sins as we enter the Lenten season. Please join us for this special and meaningful worship service.



DUTCH BLITZ DINNER- The Pork Supper

Throwback to Give Back - an event to support the holistic restoration of Philadelphia.

Come and enjoy an olde-fashioned Pennsylvania Dutch style dinner to help support The Philadelphia Project - a ministry meeting the needs of the Philadelphia community through free home repair, preschool, and after-school childcare.

You can purchase tickets here:
dutchblitzdinner.eventbrite.com

With pork and sauerkraut and all the side dishes you could want, along with delicious pies, cakes, cheesecakes and ice cream, of course, you'll enjoy a great dinner while supporting a great cause. Tickets are \$15/ Adult, \$5 (ages 4-12).

You also have the option to pre-order a take-out meal to pick up on Saturday, March 11th or on Sunday March 12th. For more info on take out meals and to pre-order, please send an email to cscporksupper@gmail.com.

All proceeds from this event go to support The Philadelphia Project who involve youth in serving the community of northwest Philadelphia. To learn more about the about The Philadelphia Project, please visit www.thephiladelphiaproject.com.

YOUTH NEWS

WIRED & CRAVE

Wired and Crave will have a regular meeting tonight from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the Anders Youth Suite and Central Community Center.



AWANA – CRAZY HAIR NIGHT!

Add some fun to the night with some crazy hair! Awana will meet at its regular time and place this week from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Central Community Center. Awana is open to all children in Kindergarten through 5th grade.



WIRED & CRAVE TRIP TO THE 76ERS

Get into the spirit of the rising Philadelphia basketball team starring Joel Embiid and Ben Simmons! We will be traveling down to the Wells Fargo Center by bus on April 8th for the game against the Milwaukee Bucks, meeting at the church at 3:00 p.m. so we can get there early to watch pre-game warmups COURTSIDE! Ticket price, including transportation and snacks, is \$45.00. Sign up on the bulletin board at church or the Community Center. Space is limited - a non-refundable deposit of \$20.00 will hold your spot! Get ready to have a blast at the Sixers in April!



Look ahead!

WORK CAMP 2017 ~ July 23rd – 29th

REGISTRATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR THIS SUMMER! All adults and students currently in Grades 8 up and are invited to come to Work Camp and invite friends! This is a unique opportunity to be Jesus hands and feet while surrounded by friends. The fee is \$225 per person; \$175 for each additional family member or friend from outside of church. Deadline to register and have all paperwork submitted is March 26th. Scholarships and payment plans are available!

CREATION 2017 ~ June 27th – July 2nd

Creation will be the highlight of your summer...maybe your life!

Creation is 5 nights of Camping and 4 days and nights of amazing music and top-notch speakers. Artists may include Skillet, Chris Tomlin, Newsboys, Switchfoot, Toby Mac and many others. Check out www.creationfest.com for more info. Cost is \$125 and \$100 for every friend from outside of church that you bring. It includes meals for the week. A non-refundable deposit of \$60 is due no later than April 11th.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



The WCF Country Market Committee is still collecting "Box Tops for Education" for a Norristown School. Please look for the expiration date at the bottom of the coupon and the words "Official Coupon" at the top. Look for the box tops on tops, bottoms, or sides of General Mills food products, Progresso soups, some juices, Kleenex, and more. Place these coupons in the labeled box under Bev O'Brien's church mailbox.

WOMEN'S RETREAT 2017

Are you loving well? We all deal with people who are a joy to love and those who are difficult to love. Come join us for the **2017 Women's Retreat Weekend, March 31st – April 2nd**, as we learn to love well. Through video, we will hear from best-selling author and teacher Beth Moore, enjoy fun and fellowship with other women, laugh our heads off, shed a few tears, eat, stay up late, make new friends, enjoy old friends and be immersed in the Word throughout our weekend study. **Stop by the Sign-Up table** in Fellowship Hall after the 9:00 a.m. service or before the 11:15 a.m. service to speak with one of our committee members. Total cost for the weekend is \$150 (includes the 2-night stay and all 5 meals). A \$25 deposit will hold your spot. **Final payment due March 5th**.

GARDEN OF MEMORIES REMINDER

The grounds crew of the Garden of Memories would like to remind those with wreaths and flowers on the cemetery plots to please have the graves cleared off by February 22nd. Any items not removed will be discarded.

FURNITURE NEED

There is a friend of the church who is looking for some furniture to get set up in a new home. If anyone is moving, downsizing, or replacing anything, please consider donating your old piece to this individual. Please contact the church office if you have something and we will put this person in touch with you to work out the details!

COME PLAY FOR FREE AT THE CENTRAL COMMUNITY CENTER

Friday night March 3rd, you and your friends are invited for a fun, free time at the Community Center! The gym will be open for free play time – you can shoot some hoops, kick around a soccer ball, or let your kids just run in circles. ☺ This month we will even have badminton nets set up – bring a racquet if you have one! The lounge will be open for games and the big screen will be playing a family-friendly movie. All for FREE! The CCC will be open from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. on the First Friday of each month during the school year. (Did we mention it's free??)

CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSET?



WE WANT YOUR SHOES!!!

Sam and Stephanie Dagger are sponsoring a shoe drive fundraiser in conjunction with the company, Funds 2 Orgs, to benefit their adoption fund as they complete the process of adopting their daughter from China. The shoes will be used to support micro-enterprise vendors in developing nations. They are collecting gently worn used and/or new shoes. Shoes can be any style, size, color, and for any occasion! Ski boots, roller skates, or ice skates cannot be accepted. Shoes cannot have any visible damage or mold and must be re-wearable. There will be a collection box in Fellowship Hall. For more information, please contact Steph at 267-664-4363. You can also find more information on our adoption blog: www.pagingbabyd.blogspot.com Thank you so much for your prayers and support!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS AND PARENTS:

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School is going to be at the Central Community Center from Monday June 19th - Friday June 23rd this year for all children ages 3 to grade 5. This year we will be welcoming your child to **Maker Fun Factory**, where kids will learn they were created by God and built for a purpose. Your kids will love the music, snacks, crafts and mission lessons and will have a fabulous time. If you have any questions, please contact Sherri McGonigle (sherrilmc@hotmail.com), Kathy Texter (kltexter@comcast.net) or Amy Ramsey (amyframsey@yahoo.com).

MY COKE REWARDS

WCF is saving My Coke Rewards (MCR) logos on Coke products to benefit Pennview Christian School. Several Schwenkie children attend or have attended Pennview. The program helps purchase physical education, sports, new technology, art or classroom supplies. Coke brands participating in the program include Coke, Diet Coke, Coca-Cola Zero, Coca-Cola Life, Fanta, Dasani, PowerAde, Minute Aid, Pibb, Fresca, Barq's, Mello Yello, Seagram's, Fuze and Tab. Not all packages have codes, so look for the code under the cap; on Fridge-packs, it is inside the tear-off flap; on shrink wrapped cases, it is inside the shrink-wrap on the bottom of the carton. For additional information, go to: getrewarded@mycokerewards.com. Place the logos in the container labeled My Coke rewards under the right side of the church mailboxes.



MIGRANT WORKER KITS

The WCF needs your help again this year in getting ready for the annual Migrant Workers kits. The collection box will be available in the Narthex in April. Please check the list below for specific items that are needed. If your family would like to put together a kit, it would be greatly appreciated. They need to be at church by the MOTHER-DAUGHTER Banquet on Monday, May 15th.

Our Schwenkfelder General Conference Mission Board sponsors the collection of kits and blankets for the Chester County Migrant Ministry. Each Schwenkfelder Church participates by supplying those items needed each year, which are then dedicated at the General Conference annual meeting in May.

If you would like to contribute a monetary donation and have someone do the shopping to make up the kit for you, please place the donation in Amelia Stetler's mailbox.



Men's, Women's & Children's HEALTH KITS

Toothbrush & Toothpaste, Bath Towel, Plastic Coffee Cups, Soap (Ivory – Medium), Comb (Pic style), Shampoo, Shaving Cream, Toilet Paper, Disposable Razors, Heavy Plastic ware, Deodorant
Women's Feminine Products, Pocket Mirror, Wash Cloth

In addition:

BLANKETS – new blankets are greatly needed. Sometimes, blankets & comforters are the only bed they have.

FIRST AID KITS, PAPERBACKS – Spanish/English & New Testament Bibles



ALIVE INSIDE

Living Branches is excited to kick off the newly announced Dementia Care Strategy initiative with the screening of **Alive Inside**, a life changing documentary film that won the 2014 Sundance Film Festival Audience Award.

We invite you, your family members, and your friends to join us as we witness the magical role that music can play for persons experiencing memory loss. Please join us to see for yourself the transforming power of music – you won't want to miss it! To learn more, visit www.aliveinside.us.

Five Screenings;

Monday, February 20th, 2:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m.

Souderton Mennonite Homes, Summit View Auditorium

Thursday, February 23rd 6:30 p.m.

Dock Meadows Activity Room

Monday, February 27th, 2:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m.

Dock Woods Fisher Auditorium

Seating is limited, RSVP at livingbranches.org/events



Worship Service Leaders and Full-Time Church Staff

Senior Minister	Rev. Dr. David W. McKinley
Associate Minister	Rev. William D. Kalajainen
Youth Pastor	Pastor Julian A. Scavetti
Director of Music	Sally L. House
Organist	Paige Cipolone
Worship Team Coordinator	Wayne C. Wurtz
Assistant Junior Choir Director	Joanne E. Lepping-Irvine
Bell Choir Director	Patricia J. Simpson
Church Administrator	Leslie J. Reyburn-Shisler
Pastoral Assistant/CCC	Juli R. Apple
Head of Maintenance	Edwin R. Sturm, Jr.

Church Leaders and Board Chairs

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Announcements and Connections information can be emailed to BulletinInfo@cscfamily.org. Please note that information is due Wednesdays by 10:00 a.m. Please avoid using text boxes in your message.

CD's of the 9:00 a.m. worship service are available for a \$1 donation and can be ordered through the church office. Sermons are also posted on the church's website under "Resources".