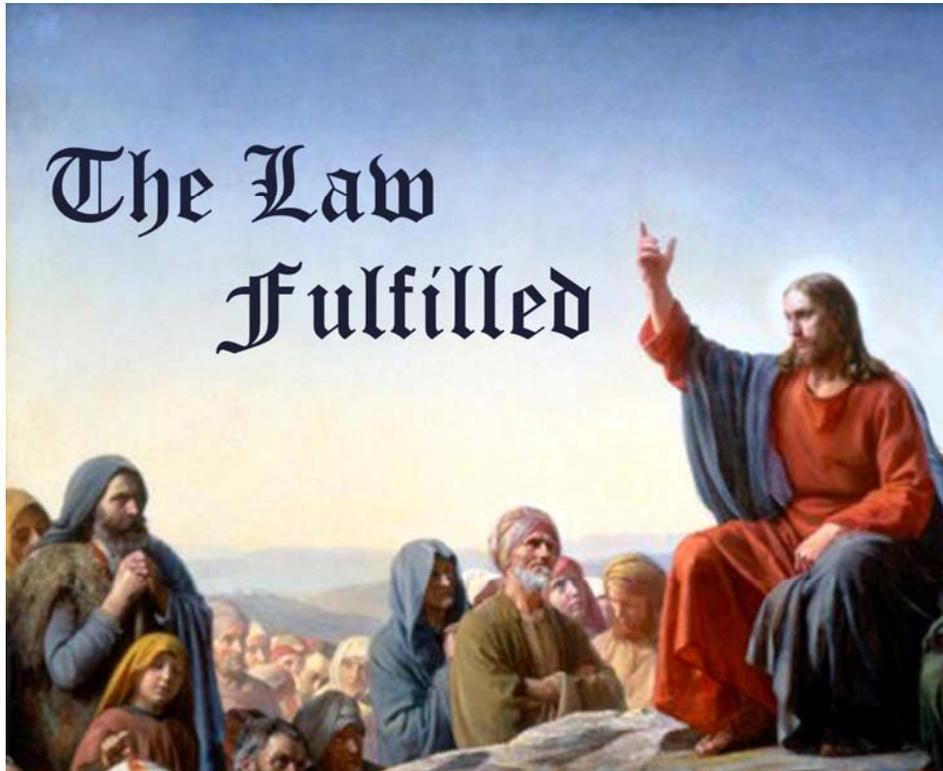


Hempfield Church of the Brethren



March 13, 2011
10:15 AM

- † **Welcome to HCOB!** If there is anything that we can do to make your visit here more comfortable or you have any questions please feel free to approach any member of our church family or the greeters at the welcome table in the lobby.
- † **Large print hymnals and bulletins** are available on the narthex table. Please return the hymnals to the narthex table following the service.
- † **Difficulty hearing the service?** Small earpieces are available to allow you to control the volume. Stop by the sound booth before the service to try one out!
- † **We have a special gift to give you** after the service. If somehow we miss you, please tell one of the ushers, and we will make sure you receive a gift.
- † **Sunday School** for all ages is held at 9:00 AM. We offer a variety of small group classes for adults and age-appropriate classes for every child.
- † **We offer two Sunday AM worship services: a traditional service at 8:00** and a **“blended” service at 10:15** with a mix of contemporary and traditional elements.
- † **Please sign the guest register** when it passes by you (your name, address & phone number, please) so that we can let you know how much we appreciate your visit with us today.

☆Contact Us☆

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☆This Week: March 13-20☆

TODAY	1 st Sunday in Lent 11:30 A.M. Free Blood Pressure Checks
MONDAY	4:00 P.M. Education Team 6:30 P.M. Sr. High Cell Group 7:00 P.M. Lenten Study Group
TUESDAY	6:30 P.M. Social Services Team 7:00 P.M. Jr. High Cell Group
WEDNESDAY	HERALD DEADLINE 6:00 A.M. Ladies' Prayer Breakfast 7:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir 7:00 P.M. Evangelism Team
THURSDAY	9:15 A.M. Women's Bible Study
SATURDAY	7:00 P.M. Veritas Fundraiser
SUNDAY	One Great Hour of Sharing 8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship 9:00 A.M. Sunday School 10:15 A.M. Blended Service Pastor John Layman "Murder, Raca & Reconciliation" Matthew 5:21-26

☆Future Dates to Keep in Mind☆

April 6—Heifer Dinner
April 8-9—30 Hour Famine
April 10—Love Feast
April 14—Congregational Gathering

Veritas

truth ~ Mission ~ Community

Music and Art Fundraising Night

Music



Art



Desserts

From Geneva Bakery



Coffee Bar

coffee from Prince Street Café



Saturday March 19 ~ 7:00–8:30 PM

**The Community Room on Prince
19 N. Prince St., Lancaster
3rd Floor above Prince Street Café**

An offering will be received for the mission of Veritas

**RSVP to ryan@veritasp.org by March 16
to reserve your place for an enjoyable evening.**



FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS will be given by nurses after church today. Please feel free to stop by and ask them any questions about this issue.

PASTOR JOHN IS LEADING A LENTEN BIBLE STUDY entitled "Living with the Mind of Christ." This study is being held seven Monday evenings from March 7-April 18 from 7:00-8:00 PM in Chapel Hall. Study Guides will be used and are available from Pastor John. Join in when you are able.

COME JOIN THE PRAISE BAND! We are blessed at Hempfield COB with an abundance of musical talents. If you would like to share those talents by being part of one of our Praise Band teams please contact Daphne Witmer at witmerdj@comcast.net or call 898-6247. Instrumental and vocalists welcome.

BANQUET TO BENEFIT HEIFER INTERNATIONAL will be held at HCOB on Wednesday, April 6 at 6:00 PM. If you would like to attend, please sign up in the narthex.

CALLING ALL POST-HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! If you are enrolled in a full time or part time program at a Christian college and/or enrolled in a specialized ministerial/student Christian training program, you may be eligible for a Christian Education Grant. Applications are available on the Narthex table. Please return completed applications to Deb Bendit on or before April 1, 2011. You are encouraged to contact an Education Team Member with any questions you may have regarding this important matter. We look forward to hearing about your educational pursuits.

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR MARCH: Spam, Pears, Jelly, Oatmeal, Spaghetti sauce. Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank on the 4th Sunday of the month. We do not need egg cartons or plastic bags at this time. Thanks!

THE HCOB CEMETERY ASSOCIATION spring Board meeting will be held Thursday, March 17th at 7:00 PM in the Church Library. All Board members are encouraged to attend.

LANCASTER AREA SENIOR ADULT SPRING BANQUET will be Thursday, April 14 at 12:00 PM at Middle Creek COB. Featuring The Harmonizers from LVBH. The cost is \$12 (make check payable to Atlantic Northeast District). Deadline for reservation is March 31st. Please contact Jean May (898-7023) if you plan to attend.

WATER STREET TOUR—HCOB has been invited to tour the Water Street Health and Dental Care Facility on S. Queen Street in Lancaster. While there we will be given the opportunity to view the clinic and ask questions about this valuable ministry. The tour will be on Thursday, March 24 at 5:30 PM. We can carpool from HCOB, leaving the church at 5:00 PM. If you are interested in attending, please call Dennis Hughes at 569-3332 by Monday, March 21.

The Mid-Atlantic District Peace and Justice Committee on March 26 is sponsoring a **Peace Symposium** titled, "Is Pacifism a Core Christian Value?" The symposium will be held at University Park Church of the Brethren in Hyattsville, MD from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Keynote speaker will be Stan Noffsinger, general secretary of the Church of the Brethren. A panel discussion also will be offered with local and denominational representatives. Attendees are invited to read "Christian Understanding of War in an Age of Terror(ism)," a paper under discussion by the National Council of Churches, in preparation for the symposium. Find the document at www.nccusa.org/witnesses2010, scroll down to "Visioning Conversations" and click "Full Text of the Five Vision Papers." Contact Illana Naylor at naylorbarrett5@gmail.com.

HCOB YOUTH NEWS

- ★ Sr. High Cell Group—Monday 6:30-8:00 PM at the Barnes' home
- ★ Jr. High Cell Group—Tuesday 7:00-8:30 PM at Hoffman's home.
- ★ 30 Hr. Famine for Senior Highers—April 8-9 @ Lititz COB. Contact Pastor Kent if interested.
- ★ Sr. & Jr. High District Service Project—April 16 @ GAIN Warehouse

Healthy Hints from our Congregational Health Team

Have you ever wondered why... your eyelid begins to twitch? "Stress, fatigue, or having too much caffeine is probably the root of the problem, causing the muscle in your upper or lower eyelid to contract rapidly", says Dr. Ruth Williams of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. To stop the annoying twitch, she recommends closing your eyes and taking a few deep breaths. "A spasm almost always resolves in a few minutes, but if you're under chronic stress, it can last longer." See your doctor if they happen regularly, or are accompanied by pain.



9:00 SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY

NURSERY CARE (INFANTS-3 YEAR OLDS)

Nursery care is provided today in the nursery room on the 1st floor by Billie Besser & Gladys Ulmer.

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Join other preschoolers, kindergarteners, and caring teachers as you play together and learn about God and how much he loves you. This class is located upstairs. (Teachers: Betty Cox and Edith Martin)

DISCIPLESHIP ISLAND (GRADES 1-5)

Join us for Sunday School upstairs in Parable Pier where you will experience this month's Bible Story. After gathering in Parable Pier, you will be invited to travel to one of our four workshops: Game Lagoon, Starfish Studios, Boardwalk Crafts and Café, and Parable Pier. At the workshops, we will play games, make movies, create art, act out the stories, pray for and with one another, and do many other exciting things that help us to learn God's truths and grow closer to Jesus. (Teachers: Deb Bendit, Peggie Layman, Bev Moyer, Gerry Shuman, and Jen Statler)

KIDS' PRAISE & WORSHIP (PRESCHOOL-5TH GRADE)

Beginning January 30, from 9:55-10:10 AM we will have a time between Sunday school and the 10:15 worship service for kids to enjoy singing praise to Jesus with kid-friendly praise and worship songs. The preschool and kindergarten kids will be led by Linda Carper upstairs in the preschool room. Kids in grades 1-5 will be led by Ashley Kern & Jason Haldeman in Parable Pier.



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CHILDREN'S CHURCH (3 YEAR OLDS-GRADE 3)

Our children's church teachers welcome children beginning at 10:00 AM. Children's Church is in the Preschool/Kindergarten classroom, and it is full of fun and learning together. If you would prefer to have your children in the adult worship service for part of the morning, there is a break in the worship service when they will be invited to Children's Church. Feel free to keep your children with you for the entire service, but realize that the service is designed for older children, youth, and adults. Children's Church is taught today by Karen Rice.

BAGS OF BLESSINGS

Children of all ages are welcome to pick up a Bag of Blessings on their way into the sanctuary for the 10:15 worship service. The bags are filled with quiet items that may be enjoyed during the worship service. The orange and purple bags are for younger children (preschool-grade 1) and the green and blue bags are for older children (grade 2+). Please return the bags to the racks at the end of each service, so that they can be enjoyed again next week. Each bag is a little different, so try a new one next week!

☆Today's Worship Service☆

PRELUDE

Blue Bells of Scotland
(Kristin Stauffer - Trombone soloist)

Arthur Pryor

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION PRAYER

*PRAISE SONGS

Revelation Song
Our Great God

Praise Band
On Screen
On Screen

Children 3 years old through 3rd grade are invited to Children's church.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 31:31-34

*HYMN O God, Who Gives Us Life 483

MORNING PRAYER

Please include the following people in your prayers:

Betty Bowers, Millie Brubaker, Dave Fisher, Carl Haas, Ned Harms,
Ray Hutchison, Floyd Myer, Mary Jane Myer, Jim Slotter,
Josh Stauffer, Alex Troxell

BREAD AND CUP COMMUNION

Affirmations

"The Bread which we break is the communion of the Body of Christ"

"The Cup which we bless is the communion of the Blood of Christ"

All Christians are invited to participate in communion.

Please hold the elements so that we may partake of them in unison.

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Thought
Psalm 116:19

Lester Groom

(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:17-20

MESSAGE The Law Fulfilled

SPECIAL MUSIC Give Me Jesus Kristin Stauffer

*POSTLUDE Recessional John Stanley

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Organist/Pianist—Otis Kitchen
Praise Band Leader—Daphne Witmer
Video Tech—Alex Troxell
Sound Techs—Rich & Jamie Bushong
Preacher—Pastor Kent Rice

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING—MARCH 20TH—Since 1949 in the aftermath of World War II, Christians have joined together on one special Sunday in the spring to receive special offerings for outreach and development for the poorest of the poor. Your "One Great Hour" offering supports the mission efforts of the Church of the Brethren and Church World Service. Offering envelopes will be in your bulletin on March 20th. Please begin to consider now what God wants you to give for this special yearly offering.

THE CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR WILL BE ON VACATION Friday, March 18 & Monday, March 21. Volunteers will be answering the phones in the mornings, but no one will be checking the church e-mail. Thank you for your understanding.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who donated cleaning supplies to the women and children in the Beth Shalom project. What a wonderful way to show Christ-like love by giving to people who are struggling for a second chance at life. God Bless!

Walk To Jerusalem!

Today we kick off our congregational quest to "walk to Jerusalem!" From today until April 21st we'd like to "travel" 6,000 miles together in order to become healthier in our bodies, minds and spirits. Pick up a logbook TODAY so that you can record every "mile" that you put in during the week. Then each Sunday, tear off the tally sheet and place it in the box in the narthex so we can keep track.

Here are some things you can do to earn one mile:

- ★ Walk for 20 minutes
- ★ Pray for 20 minutes
- ★ Take a prayer walk for DOUBLE miles!
- ★ Read your Bible, daily devotional, or spiritual growth book for 20 minutes
- ★ Exercise/work out/play a team sport for 20 minutes
- ★ Attend the Monday night Lenten Study Group at 7:00 for THREE miles
- ★ Come to Prayer Experience for THREE miles



Today after the 10:15 service, let's have everyone who is able put on their sneakers and take a seven-lap prayer walk around the church to "kick off" our journey! We'll do this silently. It can be very helpful to focus on one area of prayer for a certain period of time as our minds tends to wander, so bring your bulletins along and let's try the following:

- ★ Lap 1: Quiet our hearts and listen
- ★ Lap 2: Pray for people in our church who are having difficulties
- ★ Lap 3: Pray for spiritual growth in our church
- ★ Lap 4: Pray for our community
- ★ Lap 5: Pray God's will for our nation and our leaders
- ★ Lap 6: Pray for the peace of Christ in places like Libya, Egypt and Nigeria
- ★ Lap 7: Give thanks to God!

This should take about 20 minutes and it's a "double dipper" because we're praying AND walking, so if 150 participate, that's 300 miles toward our goal!

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

February 28, 2011

Working Balance

(Beginning of Period)

January 1, 2011 \$4,395.83

Receipts

General Offering \$74,080.22

Interest on Checking Account \$1.84

Total Receipts \$74,082.06

Total Receipts & Beginning Balance \$78,477.89

Expenditures

Stewards of Finance \$7,138.35

Evangelism Team \$11,575.51

Education Team \$4,718.98

Deacons \$16.50

Worship Team \$468.66

Leadership Team \$26,176.20

Stewards of Property \$10,137.85

Social Service Team \$4,010.98

Fellowship & Hospitality Team \$150.00

Taxes \$4,900.87

Total Expenditures \$69,293.90

Checking Account Balance as of February 28, 2011 \$9,183.99

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$9,500

☆Contact the Church Office☆

Amy Smith - *Administrator*

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Website: www.hempfieldcob.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 A.M. to 2:30P.M

☆Contact Church Staff☆

Our pastors are here to help when you need them. Although the pastors will not be in the church office on their scheduled days off, please feel free to contact them at the phone numbers below if you have an emergency need.

John Layman – *Senior Pastor*

Home: 892-4972; Cell: 468-9594; E-mail: john@hempfieldcob.org

Scheduled Day Off: Mondays

Kent Rice – *Pastor for Special Ministries*

Home: 560-3523; Cell: 723-6197 E-mail: kent@hempfieldcob.org

Scheduled Day Off: Fridays

Geoff Davis – *Associate Pastor*

Home: 569-6284; E-mail: geoffdtuba@verizon.net

Jen Statler – *Children's Ministry Coordinator*

Home: 898-9762; E-mail: jen@hempfieldcob.org

☆ Bulletin Deadline ☆

All bulletin information must be in to the church office by Wednesday noon.

☆HCOB Family Facts☆

Attendance for March 6, 2011

Sunday School: 150

Traditional Service: 42

Blended Service: 213

Giving for March 6, 2011

General Offering: \$10,410

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$19,039

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$9,500