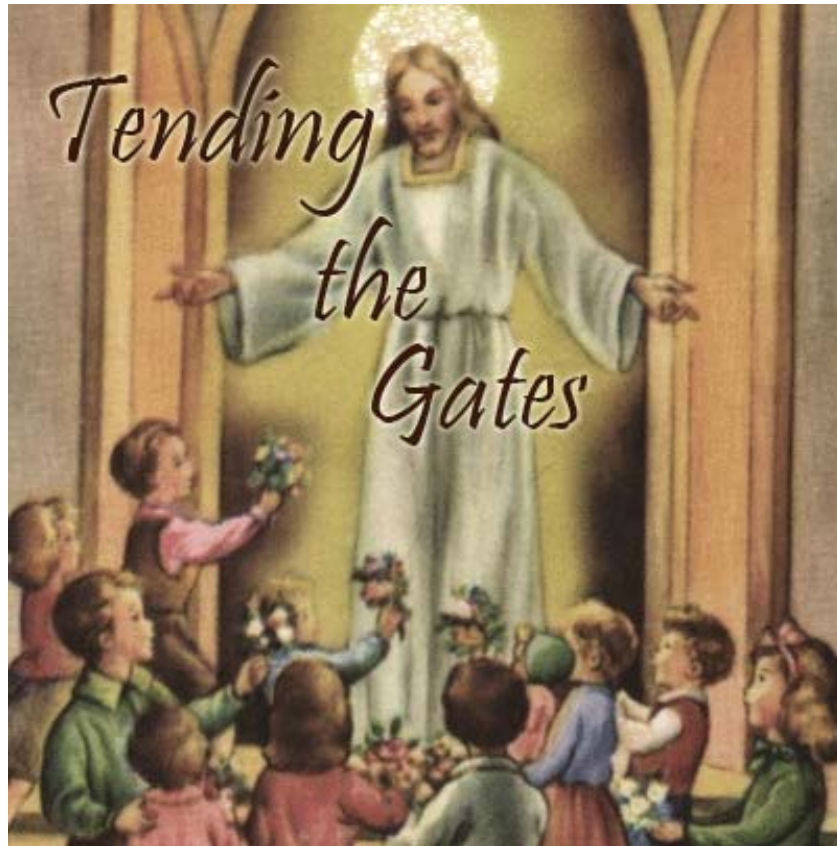


Hempfield Church of the Brethren



September 18, 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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BACK TO SCHOOL SCHEDULE

☆This Week: September 18-25☆

TODAY	11:30 A.M.	Child Protection Lunch
MONDAY	6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Sr. High Cell Group International Day of Prayer for Peace
TUESDAY	6:30 P.M.	Social Services Team
WEDNESDAY	HERALD DEADLINE	
	6:00 A.M.	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast
	5:30 P.M.	Connections
	7:00 P.M.	Evangelism Team
THURSDAY	10:00 A.M. 7:00 P.M.	Wheelchair Walk @ BV Younger Youth Bible Study
FRI.-SAT.	Disaster Relief Auction	
SUNDAY	2-Cent-A-Meal Offering	
	8:00 A.M.	Traditional Service
	9:00 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:15 A.M.	Blended Service Pastor Geoff Davis "Are You Off the Mountain?" Matthew 8:1

☆Future Dates to Keep in Mind☆

September 25-October 1—Disaster Relief Trip
October 2—Love Feast—10:15 Service Only

9:00 am

Nursery Care (infants-3 year olds)

Nursery Care is provided in the nursery room on the 1st floor by Keith & Karma Witmer. Beepers are provided to assure you of your child's contentment.

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.

God Squad

Kids in grades 1-5 will become the God Squad. The God Squad is a group of kids who will greet children and families who are new to the church and help them to feel welcomed and comfortable within the church. They will also be trained to help with Discipleship Island.

10:15 am

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Nursery Care is provided in the nursery room on the 1st floor by Carol Koser & Ivy & Brooke Davis. Beepers are provided to assure you of your child's contentment.

First Look (3 year olds-Kindergarten)

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 and will begin at 10:15.

Discipleship Island (Grades 1-5)

Join other kids in Grades 1-5 as we experience who God is, how He sees you, and how much He loves you. Come discover the active part that you can play in the life-long adventure of becoming more like God.



CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY

The Education Team has recently updated our Child Protection Policy, and we are excited to implement the new policy. Our goal is to protect our church's precious children, and help and train our members more thoroughly than ever before.

TODAY after the 10:15 service, adults who presently serve in the nursery, work with our children or youth, and those who will be working with our young people will have the opportunity to apply for or update their Criminal Records Check and Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance forms. The church will provide computers and Internet connection to the appropriate agencies, and will pay for the clearances...all you need do is fill out the forms and your clearances will be immediately printed here at the church. In addition, if you would like to drive our children or youth to any church-sponsored activity, we also will help you fill out the PennDOT Driving Record Search. *Even if you have current clearances elsewhere, our policy requires that you obtain new clearances through our church.*

Copies of the latest Child Protection Policy are available on the narthex table for you to borrow and read. *If you will not be able to attend today but wish to participate in our children's program, please see Deb Bendit or Jen Statler for the forms you need to complete this process.* Thank you for caring for our children!

HABITAT HOUSE WORK DAY--We are planning another work day on Sat. October 29th at the Fairview Avenue Habitat house we are helping to sponsor. The work will be mainly installing drywall. Please contact Tom Fritz to volunteer. We need about 8 volunteers.

PRAYER FOR PEACE--HCOB will hold a special gathering to recognize the International Day of Prayer for Peace on Monday, Sept. 19, 2011 at 7:00pm. Groups around the world are planning events throughout the week to join in celebration, prayer, and speaking out about their hopes for a more peaceful world. We hope you are able to join the gathering to recognize Hempfield's hope for a more peaceful world as well as our surrounding local community. For more info, please contact Ashley Kern.

COME "GLEAN" WITH US! The Force for Food Committee is sponsoring a group of adults and kids 10 years and older to spend the weekend of October 21-23 helping to feed the local hungry and increase awareness of world hunger. This event will be held at the Gretna Glen Campgrounds in Mount Gretna and will cost \$75/participant. The Force for Food Committee will cover \$25 of the cost for the first 8 people who sign up. If interested, contact Peggie Layman (892-4972 or peggielayman1@gmail.com).

HOSTS NEEDED FOR NIGERIAN VISITORS—12 Nigerian guests from the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria will be visiting the Lancaster area from September 16-October 4. Our church will be hosting two Nigerians (husband and wife or two men) the weekend of September 24 & 25. We are looking for a family willing to host these two visitors for the weekend. If you are interested in hosting or have questions please contact Pastor John Layman.

DO YOU WANT TO ENCOURAGE OUR YOUTH in their walk with Christ? The Younger Youth Bible Study is looking for an adult to help co-teach this year. The current leader is heading off at the end of January and is hoping to make a smooth transition. We meet from 7-8:30pm at Millie Hoffman's house. If you love working with youth and would like to help teach this Bible study, please give MaryBeth Fisher a call. 875-8262

THE HELPING HANDS MINISTRY is sponsored by the Social Service Team and is available to help you if you have a need for some extra help around the house, getting to appointments, cooking meals, yard work etc. If you could use a Helping Hand or would like to be a part of this ministry by helping others please contact Rich Bushong at 664-4395 or grb@dejazzd.com.

SCOTT HOLLINGER FUND—On Sunday June 5, 2011, Scott Hollinger was awarded the 2nd "Soaring Eagle Steele Award for Courageous Living." As a congregation we also want to give each of you an opportunity to give to a fund to financially help Scott and the Hollinger family as Scott wrestles with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) and the many medical costs and expenses associated with that journey. Envelopes marked "Scott Hollinger Fund" are on the narthex table for your convenience.

THE FINAL WHEELCHAIR WALK at Brethren Village is scheduled for September 22 at 10:00 in the Courtyards. Please contact Lois Killian to help.

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER: Boxed potatoes, Ramen noodles, Canned peaches and pears, Tuna, Hot chocolate mix, Soup. Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank on the 4th Sunday.



**JOIN US FOR OUR
"COMMUNITY NIGHT"
FUNDRAISER**

On Thursday, October 13, 2011, Isaac's Restaurant & Deli (Granite Run) will hold a "Community Night" to benefit the Alpha & Omega Family Life Center. Enjoy an evening out with your family and friends while supporting these ministry programs. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the cost of your meal will go directly to Alpha & Omega.

WHERE: Isaac's Restaurant & Deli
Granite Run Square
1559 Manheim Pike
Lancaster, PA 17601
(Valid at this location only)

WHEN: Thursday, October 13, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

HOW: Bring this flyer with you to Isaac's, complete the information, and hand it to the cashier when paying.

TAKEOUT: No time to sit down and eat? Call your order in ahead of time to 560-7774 and place a takeout order.

This form can be used for Dine-In, Takeout or Online Orders!

Please complete this information for your server.

Name: _____

Number of People in Party: _____

Total Cost of Meal (excluding tax): _____

***Coupons, discounts, or specials not valid during this fundraiser.**

Thank you for partnering with Isaac's and Alpha & Omega!

I want to receive Isaac's special offers and discounts by email.

Email: _____



HVAC Project Update

The Stewards of Property Team has been working diligently to obtain costs and secure a contractor to replace the heating/air conditioning units located on the roof of the church building. The original plan was to replace half of the units when one of them failed. Adequate funds were raised through your generous contributions to carry out this plan. However, during the discussions of this plan it became apparent that replacing all of the units at the same time would be more cost effective overall because a very competitive quote was received from a local contractor. In addition it was recommended that the work be done before the winter heating season and cold weather interfere with the installation, which is primarily on the roof of the building.

Most of the cost of replacing these units before the end of this year can be covered by the funds raised this spring and the funds currently in the building fund. We are about \$10,000.00 short, so the Leadership Team approved the use of \$5,000.00 from memorial funds if needed. Although this is a change in the original plan, it will ensure uninterrupted service, especially during cold weather, and result in an overall cost savings.

We are asking your help to build back the building fund so that any unscheduled expenses not related to the heating/air conditioning can be covered. You have been very generous in your previous giving and any gifts that are given will be greatly appreciated. *Please use the building fund envelopes found on the narthex table to make your donations for this ministry.*



In order to increase our ability to communicate quickly and efficiently with the congregation, the church office would appreciate having your e-mail address. We will only use it to send you notices about special church-related announcements. Please complete the form below and return it to the church office. If you have already given us your e-mail address, there is no need to give it to us again.



My name is: _____

My e-mail address is: _____

Yes, please sign me up for:

- Monthly Herald Notification—we'll remind you when the monthly newsletter is online on our church website
- Prayer Requests—we'll tell you about new prayer requests from our HCOB family
- Church Announcements—we'll send you alerts and reminders about important announcements and events

HCOB YOUTH NEWS

- ★ Sr. High Cell Group--Monday 6:30-8:00 PM at Barnes' home
- ★ District Jr. High Retreat—Oct. 28-30—See Kent if interested
- ★ Sr. High D.C. Missions Trip—Nov. 4-6
- ★ Fundraiser @ Eastland Alpaca—Nov. 5, 6, 12, 13
- ★ Footprints Retreat—Nov. 18-20

Healthy Hints from our Congregational Health Team

Take a load off. You know the shooting pain that comes from schlepping a heavy purse? Here's why it happens: "Straps compress the auxiliary vein, causing high blood pressure, numbness, tingling, pain, and weakness in the arm," says Tim Neuschwander, M.D. In a study he conducted, adults who wore a 28-pound backpack for 10 minutes experienced an almost 50 percent decrease in blood flow through the blood vessels in their arms. "And carrying a 13-pound purse for 10 minutes may have a similar effect, since it's resting only on one shoulder," he says. Try lightening your load a little, or distribute weight more evenly with an ergonomic purse.

☆Today's Worship Service☆

PRELUDES

Berceuse	Gilbert Martin
Glory Be to the Lord	Sadoh
Take My Life and Let It Be	Hughes
Aria	W. A. Mozart

WELCOME--GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAISE HYMNS Praise Band

MORNING PRAYER

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Thought & Prayer	
Offertory—Melodie	Franz Schubert
<i>(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)</i>	

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 16:1-6; Nehemiah 1:2-11

MESSAGE Tending the Gates

*HYMN Here in this Place 6

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Festival Piece on "Ripley" Ripley

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

Preacher—Pastor Kent Rice
 Organist/Pianist—June Lykens Lantz
 Video Tech—Derek Witmer
 Sound Techs—Mike & Donna Denlinger

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TABLE are presented by Carl & Nancy Haas to the honor and glory of God who has kept and preserved them through Carl's illness into their 40th year of marriage.

☆Contact the Church Office☆

Amy Smith - *Administrator*

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☆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.