

Hempfield Church of the Brethren



April 29, 2012
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.

Hempfield COB Vision

Firmly rooted and living deeply in the character of Christ to become a healthier church that powerfully shares Christ with the world.



☆This Week: April 29-May 6☆

MONDAY	6:30 P.M.	Sr. High Cell Group
WEDNESDAY	6:00 A.M. 6:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast Younger Youth Cell Group Sanctuary Choir
THURSDAY	7:00 P.M.	Prayer Experience
FRIDAY	7:00 P.M.	WORDD Worship
SATURDAY	7:00 P.M.	Reception for Pastoral Candidate
SUNDAY	No 8:00 Service	
	9:00 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:15 A.M.	Blended Service Pastoral Candidate Preaching "Shine Like Stars" Psalm 139:13-18; Philippians 2:14-16
	11:30 A.M.	Congregational Gathering
	3:00 P.M.	VBS Meeting

☆Future Dates to Keep in Mind☆

- May 8**—Heifer International Dinner
- May 12**—Habitat House Workday
- May 13**—Youth Sunday
- May 16**—Herald Deadline
- May 20**—Music Festival Sunday
- May 20**—Pastor John's Retirement Party
- May 23**—Mother-Daughter Banquet

Important Pastoral Candidate Information

We are delighted to announce that the Pastoral Search Committee has completed their work and is recommending to the congregation a candidate for a new Senior Pastor.

The following events are planned to provide information to the congregation in this important decision:

- An information sheet including the candidate's name and background will be mailed to the congregation during the week of April 30th.
- On Saturday May 5 at 7:00PM there will be a question and answer session with the candidate in the Sanctuary, followed by a fellowship time with light refreshments in John Naas Hall. **Child care will be provided.** In order for as many questions as possible to be addressed during this session, please prepare written questions in advance and either email them to Pete Cope at pcope@comcast.net or place them in a box provided in the narthex. Please include your name with the questions so we can get clarification if needed. There will also be an opportunity to submit written questions on May 5.
- On Sunday May 6, there will be only one worship service at 10:15AM where the candidate will preach. A Special Congregational Gathering will immediately follow the 10:15 Service to consider the call of this candidate as our new Senior Pastor.

Please be in prayer for this important process in the life of our congregation!

HCOB YOUTH NEWS

- ★ Senior highs, please remember to get your passports!
- ★ Sr. High Cell Group— Monday 6:30-8:00 PM at Dum's home
- ★ Younger Youth Cell Group—Wednesday 6:00-7:30 PM at Millie Hoffman's house
- ★ Youth District Cabinet applications due—April 30
- ★ Estate Sale Fundraiser in Lampeter—May 5
- ★ Youth Sunday—May 13
- ★ Memorial Day Yard Sale fundraiser at Molly Snavey's, Main St. Salunga. River party afterward.—May 28th



PASTOR JOHN'S RETIREMENT PARTY is planned for Sunday May 20th after the 10:15 Service. Please join us to honor and celebrate John's ministry among us. We will be having special music, roasting, testimonies, photographic journaling and of course food. All of this in a casual atmosphere in the Sanctuary and John Naas Hall. We will start shortly after the service in the Sanctuary and will then move into John Naas Hall for light refreshments after the presentations. You won't want to miss this once in a lifetime event.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET will be May 23rd at 6:00 PM. Come out for a fun evening of being served supper by the men, a skit by Nancy Haas and Erika Amman, singing by Barry Carper's men group, and a fundraiser for Hope International. Supper will be Pete Cope's home baked ziti. Tickets will be on sale during church 5/6, 5/13, & 5/20. Reserve your table now.

CHILDCARE VOLUNTEERS are needed for the Mother/Daughter Banquet to be held May 23, 6:00PM to about 8:30PM. If you are interested, please contact Cindy Cope at pcope@comcast.net or 653-8577.

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR APRIL: Tea, Rice, Cereal, Baked beans, Peaches or Pears, Peas or Green beans. Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank on the 4th Sunday.

HABITAT HOUSE WORKDAY--We have planned another work day at the Fairview Avenue Habitat House on May 12, 2012. We expect to be finishing out the house. Please contact Tom Fritz (twfritz@ptd.net) if you can help.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING PRESENTATION--On April 15th we held a conversation with all our Adult Sunday School classes to discuss how our Sunday School program can grow and change to more effectively create disciples at Hempfield COB. Pastor Geoff Davis led this conversation with a Power Point presentation that included some valuable information. In case you missed the meeting, handouts of the presentation are available on the narthex table.

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE *THE MESSENGER*?

First-time subscribers to *The Messenger*, our denominational publication, can receive this monthly magazine for only \$7.25/year.

Simply complete the form below and return it with your check made out to Hempfield Church of the Brethren to the church office or place the form and check in the offering plate. The church will place the group order for all those who want to subscribe.

The deadline to return the form is May 13th.

The church will also subscribe to 10 copies which people can borrow. Those already receiving *The Messenger* will receive a separate letter with instructions to renew their subscription.

Yes, I would like to receive *The Messenger*.
My check for \$7.25 made out to Hempfield Church of the Brethren is attached.

Name: _____
(Please print)

Address: _____

☆Contact the Church Office☆

Amy Smith - Administrator

Phone: 898-0181; E-mail: office@hempfieldcob.org; Fax: 898-0403

Website: www.hempfieldcob.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 A.M. to 2:00P.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 April 22, 2012

Sunday School: 102

Traditional Service: 47

Blended Service: 237

Giving for April 22, 2012

General Offering: \$10,237

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$1,337.50

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$9,687

If the thought of Vacation Bible School brings a smile to your face, then we want you to come to Promise Island to help guide the adventure!!

June 17th-21st
6:30 pm-8:30 pm

YES!!! I would like to join the excitement of Promise Island:

Name: _____

The best way to contact me (phone, e-mail, FB, cell, etc) is:

Before Promise Island

I would like to:

- Help with decorating!!

During Promise Island

I would like to help in:

- Teaching
- Crafts
- Assisting a teacher
- Snacks
- Games
- Nursery care
- Registration
- Drama (acting out the stories)
- I would like to help, but I’m not exactly sure where.
Please contact me and give me more information.





Can you believe it is time for our...

VBS 2012 Training Meeting!
May 6th 3:00-4:00 pm
Chapel Hall

Who Should Come?

EVERYONE who is helping with Vacation Bible School this year (teachers, helpers, station leaders, etc.) AND anyone who is interested in getting involved or getting more involved.

Do I REALLY NEED to come?

YES ☺ You may have taught VBS for 40 years, but every year is a little different and we want you to know about THIS year. I hand out lots of info at this meeting and we go over the overall vision/goal for the week. If you are teaching, you will also receive your teaching materials and get a chance to make special requests for the week.

Do I Need to RSVP?

You only need to contact me if you are not coming (jen@hempfieldcob.org or 898-9762). Otherwise, I will look forward to seeing you at the training meeting.

What if I want to help with VBS, but no one has contacted me?

Come to the meeting! There are LOTS of opportunities to use your gifts at VBS. We will find a spot for you!

Don't forget the donations poster in the narthex... THANKS!!!!!!