

Hempfield Church of the Brethren



September 2, 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.
- † **Nursery and child-appropriate worship and activities** are available during the 10:15 worship service.
- † **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: September 2-9☆

MONDAY	Labor Day—Office Closed
TUESDAY	7:00 P.M. Deacons Meeting
WEDNESDAY	6:00 A.M. Ladies' Prayer Breakfast 6:00 P.M. Younger Youth Cell Group
THURSDAY	7:00 P.M. Prayer Experience
FRIDAY	7:00 P.M. WORDD Worship
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M. Traditional Service 9:00 A.M. Sunday School 10:15 A.M. Blended Service Pastor Pete Kontra Preaching "The King of Dumpster Diving" Ephesians 4:1-6 11:30 A.M. Chicken BBQ and picnic

☆Future Dates to Keep in Mind☆

- September 12—"Connections" & Sanctuary Choir Begins
- September 15—Family Olympics
- September 16—Scott Hollinger sharing, no 8:00 service
- September 16—2-Cent-A-Meal Offering
- September 21-22—Disaster Relief Auction
- September 23—Membership Class
- September 30—New Member Reception & Lunch

RALLY DAY AND CHURCH PICNIC!!!! SUNDAY SEPT. 9TH

NO SIGNUP IS NEEDED for the picnic! Just mark your calendar, and bring a pew-full of friends to experience the joy and grace of our Lord as we live it out as family here in this place! Dress casually since following 10:15 worship we will have our church picnic with barbecued chicken and all the trimmings! A peanut scramble will also be held for the children. We will provide chicken, chips, drinks, plates, utensils and cups. **We are asking church families whose last names start with A-O to bring salad, fresh fruit or relish to serve 10 to 12 people. We are asking families with last names from P-Z to bring dessert to serve 10 to 12 people. (No serving utensils are needed; we will provide them.)** We will serve the food from the Fellowship Hall and provide seating inside and outside, weather permitting. If you plan to sit outside, you may bring chairs and blankets in case all the seating outside is taken.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY will meet this fall to study a book: *Discerning the Voice of God* by Priscilla Shirer (daughter of Tony Evans). The study will meet at Ruth Johnson's home on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 9:15-11:00 AM beginning on September 6. The study will last for 7 sessions. If you are interested in participating please contact Ruth Johnson (569-2430) or Jamie Bushong (664-4395) by September 3 so that they can order you a workbook. The cost for the workbooks is \$10.95.

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER: Dry soup, Kidney beans, Peas, Canned pasta, Macaroni & cheese, Boxed potatoes. Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank on the 4th Sunday.

WHEELCHAIR WALK AT BRETHERN VILLAGE September 20. Please meet at receptionist area in the Courtyards nursing center at 10:00. Residents look forward to these walks that take them outside weather permitting. Please call Gerrie Hurst or Lois Killian if you can help. Thank you.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF HCOB? Pastors Pete & Kent will be leading a Membership Class on Sunday, September 24 from 4:00-6:00 PM. Please contact them or the church office if you would like to participate in this exciting opportunity!



Reach Beyond Your World Again This Christmas

We are privileged to serve four locations

Cighid Orphanage & Oradea Community
Stroiesti Village
Batesti Orphanage & Ploiesti Community
An Islamic community in Medgidia

Recipe for Serving Christmas Joy In Romania!



- ✝ Start with prayer and excitement
- ✝ Get others involved
- ✝ Fill regular size shoeboxes **up to 3.5 lbs** using items suggested on the other side of this flyer
- ✝ Wrap with love and gift paper
- ✝ Include \$6.00/box and bring to church no later than **October 14th, 2012**

Contents and Instructions: See other side

Thank you for giving this Christmas!

My Brother's Keeper
Mail: P.O. Box 11
Location: 10948 Roxbury Road, Roxbury PA 17251
Phone: (717)532-4892

Instructions

Fill a regular size shoebox with up to 3.5 lbs of the items suggested below and return by October 14th!

- ✝ **Clothing:** hats, gloves, scarves, socks, t-shirts, flannel wear, etc. (*Important Note: If you choose to put in any small clothing items, please mark the approximate age on the outside of the box.*)
- ✝ **Hygiene Items:** toothbrush (in package), toothpaste, soap, comb, washcloth
- ✝ **Toys:** small cars, dolls, stuffed animals, puzzles, games, yo-yos, drawing supplies
- ✝ **School Supplies:** pencils, erasers, sharpeners, tablets, calculators
- ✝ **Other:** watches, picture books, candy, stickers, etc.
- ✝ **Personal Touch:** personal or family picture with a little note
(*in most cases someone will be able to read the note to them when the boxes are handed out*)

Special Instructions for boxes marked for Cighid Orphanage

Cighid residents are now ages 15 to 30. Hygiene items, men/ladies size underwear, socks, pajamas, winter hats and gloves, washcloths and towels, watches, flashlights (solar/wind-up) and other non-edible toys would be appreciated.

How to wrap the package:

We ask that the boxes be wrapped in Christmas paper (lid wrapped separately is preferred especially if larger shoebox). If the items you include are specific to a gender please indicate that on the outside of the box. If the box contains clothing or other articles that make it age specific, (such as when sending for the older residents of Cighid orphanage), help us by taping an age range on the box.

Shipping Costs:

Please include \$6.00/box. This minimally covers shipping expenses. Any extra donation would be appreciated to cover the distribution in Romania. **Please place the \$6.00 in an envelope on the outside of the shoe box.** If sending multiple boxes, one envelope can be used and the number of boxes indicated. **Checks should be made out to "My Brother's Keeper."**

For More Information:

Emmy Schott: emerlou19@hotmail.com, (717)333-8216



Beginning September 12th
 Wednesday evenings
 5:30pm – 7:00pm

Connections

Come as you are and be
 part of the family of Christ.

What happened last year?

Sisters made quilt squares for their great-grandmother, women discovered that God uses “bad girls,” men served together in the name of Christ, father’s and daughters created beautiful things together, many generations learned that God delights in us and rejoices over us with singing, people discovered a safe place to invite their friends, families came together and connections were formed, and so much more...

What will happen THIS year...

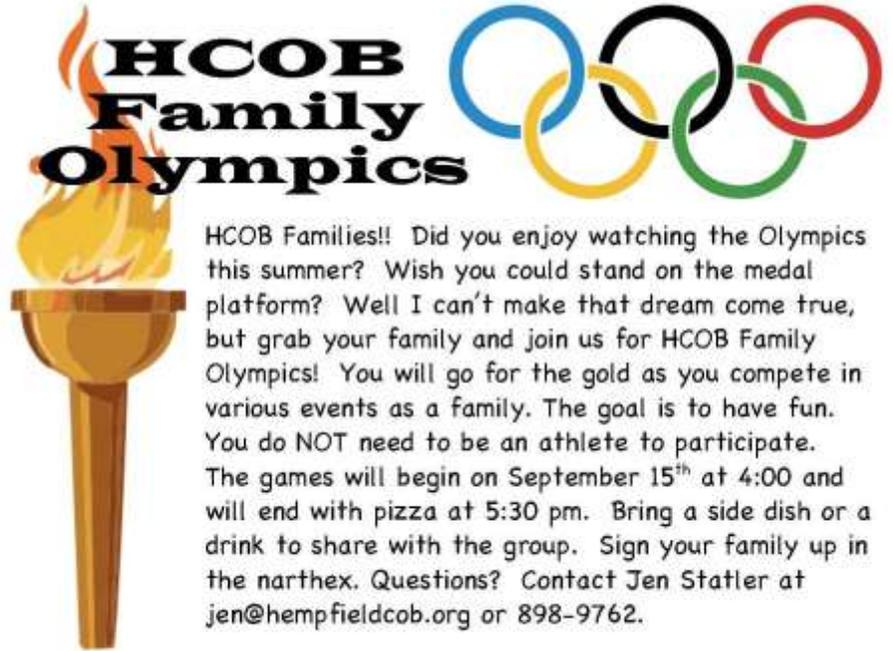
Weekly Schedule

5:30–6:00 Dinner Together
 \$2 adults \$1 children

6:00–7:00

Connection Groups (recommended age: Grade 1–adult)
 Little Connectors (recommended age: 3 years–K)
 Child Care (recommended age: infant–3 years)

Signups
 begin Sunday,
 September 2nd ...



HCOB Family Olympics

HCOB Families!! Did you enjoy watching the Olympics this summer? Wish you could stand on the medal platform? Well I can’t make that dream come true, but grab your family and join us for HCOB Family Olympics! You will go for the gold as you compete in various events as a family. The goal is to have fun. You do NOT need to be an athlete to participate. The games will begin on September 15th at 4:00 and will end with pizza at 5:30 pm. Bring a side dish or a drink to share with the group. Sign your family up in the narthex. Questions? Contact Jen Statler at jen@hempfieldcob.org or 898-9762.

Saturday, September 15th 4:00 pm–6:30 pm

Healthy Hints from our Congregational Health Team

Feline resistance – when a cat refuses to go into her carrier – is cited as a top reason owners don’t take their cats to the vet, according to a recent survey from Bayer Animal Health. To help, try making the carrier inviting. “Weeks before the appointment, leave the carrier open and ‘decorate’ it with treats, a bit of catnip, and a special toy,” says Dr. Alice Moon-Fanelli, of Animal Behavior Consultations in Connecticut. “Your cat is likely to explore it, which will make it a destination spot rather than a place to avoid.”

HCOB Youth News

- ★ Sr. High Cell Group— Monday 6:30-8:00 PM at Barnes’ home. Grades 10-12
- ★ Younger Youth Cell Group starts Wednesday, Sept 5 from 6:00-7:30 at Millie Hoffman’s house. Grades 6-9

☆Today's Worship Service☆

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

PRELUDES

March in D	Samuel Walter
All Praise to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ	Johann Heinrich Buttstedt
They'll Know We are Christians by our Love	Lani Smith
Battle Hymn of the Republic	Robert J. Hughes

Preacher—Pastor Pete Kontra
Organist—June Lykens Lantz
Praise Band Leader—Daphne Witmer
Worship Leader—Jason Haldeman
Sound Technicians—Blaine Garber & Jaynelle Troxell
Video Tech—Doug Howard

WELCOME—GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRAISE MUSIC

Pow'r in the Blood	Praise Band
Will the Circle Be Unbroken?	On Screen
I'll Fly Away	On Screen

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TABLE are presented to the honor and glory of God and in celebration of Bob & Sylvia Heffley's 51st wedding anniversary today!

THE CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON MONDAY FOR LABOR DAY.

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 105:1-4

PRAYER

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Thought
Offertory—Balm in Gilead Robert J. Hughes
(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)

HYMN God, Who Stretched 414

MORNING PRAYER

Please include the following people in your prayers:

John & Peggie Layman, Anna Mary Neff, Marty Stauffer, Dorothy Walters

SPECIAL MUSIC Come to Jesus Doug & Jen Hinton

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 17:1-9

MESSAGE Made In Whose Image?

*HYMN Christ Upon the Mountain Peak 232

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Go Forth in Peace Tom Birchwood

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THE BULLETIN DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER 23 WILL BE A WEEK EARLY! Due to the administrator's vacation, the bulletin deadline will be moved up to Wednesday, September 12th. All bulletin announcements for both September 16 & 23 must be submitted by Wednesday, September 12th. This is a firm deadline with no exceptions. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

THANK YOU FROM JIM DRAKE for the cards, visits and prayers. They were greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU to the church family for the many prayers and cards during Ken's surgeries and healing.
—Ken & Brenda Gappa

“Made In Whose Image?”

Matthew 17:1-9

In order for us to truly follow, we must re-evaluate our images of Jesus.

- Instead of transforming the truth of Jesus, we must be transformed by Him.

Christ is not a reflection of the current mood or the projection of our own desires.

- He is our Lord and God. He is the Father's Son, Savior of the world, and substitute for our sins—more loving, more holy, and more wonderfully terrifying than we ever thought possible.

We must honestly and openly take that journey to the mountain with Him and have our minds blown and hearts ripped open all over again.

- Why? Because this community around us needs us to, because they need Jesus Christ.

What is it for you that you know would stretch you as you think about connecting with the people around you? How far are you and I willing to go?

Jesus said in John 6:45, “*Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from Him comes to me.*”

God is not made in our image.

We are not made in the world's image.

We are made in God's image. That ought to give you some confidence.

☆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 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

☆Contact Church Staff☆

Our pastors are here to help when you need them. Please feel free to contact them at the phone numbers below if you have an emergency need.

Pete Kontra – *Senior Pastor*

Cell: 224-1917; E-mail: pete@hempfieldcob.org

Scheduled Day Off: Friday

Kent Rice – *Pastor for Special Ministries*

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

Scheduled Day Off: Monday

Geoff Davis – *Associate Pastor*

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

Jen Statler – *Children's Ministry Coordinator*

Cell: 572-2749; 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 August 26, 2012

Sunday School: 64

Traditional Service: N/A

Blended Service: 254

Giving for August 26, 2012

General Offering: \$6,569

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$2,237.50

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