

Hempfield Church of the Brethren



February 17, 2013
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: February 17-24☆

TODAY	1 st Sunday in Lent
MONDAY	7:00 P.M. Brethren Village Musical Program
TUESDAY	6:30 P.M. Social Services Team
WEDNESDAY	Herald Deadline 6:00 A.M. Ladies' Prayer Breakfast
THURSDAY	9:15 A.M. Ladies' Bible Study
SATURDAY	8:00 A.M. Hospitality Seminar with Fred Bernhard
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M. Traditional Service 9:00 A.M. Sunday School 10:15 A.M. Fred Bernhard preaching Jesus' Bad Manners Luke 19:1-10

☆Future Dates to Keep in Mind☆

- March 1**—WORDD Worship
- March 6**—Connections Begins
- March 7**—Monthly Prayer Experience
- March 16**—Youth Ping-Pong Fundraiser
- March 17**—Love Feast & 2-Cent-A-Meal Offering



CONNECTIONS IS STARTING ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6!! It will run for 4 weeks on Wednesdays in March from 5:30-7:00 PM. Dinner will be served at 5:30 for a small donation and classes will run from 6:00-7:00. Please sign up for dinner and a class in the narthex.

FRIENDS TOGETHER WEEK—June 10-14, 2013 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. It's not too early to start thinking about Friends Together Week for the developmentally disabled. We are planning an exciting theme for this year and are looking for volunteers to serve one on one with camp individuals. So if you can spare a week, day or whatever your schedule permits to help with camp, please see Betty Cox, Gladys Ulmer, Ellie Lehman or Jean Caldwell.

GIRLS NIGHT OUT will be at the church on Tues April 30th at 6:00 PM. The Mother/Daughter banquet event is being extended to all ladies in the congregation to have a fun evening socializing, eating, and being entertained. Mark your calendars!

COBYS FAMILY SERVICES BANQUET at Middle Creek COB, March 14. See flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

COPIES OF THE MESSENGER are available on the narthex table for you to borrow and return. This denominational publication contains valuable information about what is happening among the Church of the Brethren worldwide.

BRETHREN VILLAGE MUSICAL PROGRAM—Hempfield COB will be presenting a musical program at Brethren Village on Monday night Feb. 18th at 7:00 in the Fieldcrest Auditorium. Please come out to support our musicians and to hear some of our favorite choir/orchestra numbers.

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR FEBRUARY: Pancake mix & syrup, Peanut butter & jelly, Spaghetti sauce & noodles, Macaroni & cheese. Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank. Thank you!

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.

☆**Hospitality Seminar with Fred Bernhard**☆
Saturday, February 23, 2013, 8:00am-12:00pm



“Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it.” –Hebrews 13:2

How do you view the people around you? Just as strangers to be feared or potential angels whom God loves?

Fred Bernhard is coming to Hempfield to lead us in exploring why and how the practice of Biblical Hospitality is vital to our congregation’s life. He will also expand that to include how we can share the Good News of Jesus Christ in the wider community in ways that invite rather than repel. Fred is a long-time friend of Pastor Pete’s and a pastor himself with a passion for Biblical Hospitality. Fred has written many books on hospitality and taught many congregations how to become more welcoming to the community around them.

Jesus showed love to all people. He came and tore down the social barriers that kept people from loving each other. Maybe simply put, **Hospitality is seeing every person as an opportunity to share the love of Jesus.** That affects all that we do, personally and as the church. **The church must be a safe place for people to come.** And it is us who must make it that. Every detail of every ministry, must be about striving to make all people feel welcome, like we truly want them here. Because we do.



All of us here at Hempfield are invited and encouraged to come out the 23rd and be a part of growing in Christ in this important way. It truly will be a good use of your time.

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believe in Him may not perish but have everlasting life.” Let’s let everyone know it! Please join me February 23rd. See you then! -Pastor Pete

**ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT
WOMEN’S SPRING FELLOWSHIP**

March 9, 2013 – 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Patricia Ann Moyer, Speaker

“Biblical Gardens” & “Fringe Benefits”



Chiques Church of the Brethren
4045 Sunnyside Road
Manheim, PA 17545
(717) 665-1342

LUNCH \$5.00/PERSON BY RESERVATION ONLY

RESERVATIONS ARE DUE MARCH 2

PAY AT THE EVENT ON MARCH 9

**SEE YOUR WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP REPRESENTATIVE
OR CONTACT
JULI THOMAS (215) 529-4581**

☆Today's Worship Service☆

TIME OF REFLECTION

What is God doing in your life that causes you to want to rejoice? What's one thing you are overjoyed about that God has done?

PRELUDES

Panis Angelicus
Chorus from Nabucco

Cesar Franck
Giuseppe Verdi

WELCOME—GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 133

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN From All that Dwell Below the Skies 49

*GIVING OUR PRAISE TO GOD Praise Band
Enough
Center

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought
Offertory—God So Loved the World John Stainer
(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)

SKIT Brotherly Love News Report Jason & Hilary Hoffman

ANTHEM We Believe Sanctuary Choir

MORNING PRAYER

Please include the following people in your prayers:

Chhrey Chea, Lois Killian & Family, Sarah Landis, John & Peggie Layman,
Maurice Lowe, Randy & Patti McClune, Lois Moyer, Sue Musser,
Mary Jane Myer, The Polonchak Family

MESSAGE Committed to... What? (Acts 2:42-47)

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.

*GIVING THANKS FOR THE WORD

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE God Is Our Refuge and Strength (Psalm 46:1) Lester Groom

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

Preacher—Pastor Geoff Davis
Organist/Pianist—Otis Kitchen
Sound Techs—Rich & Jamie Bushong
Video Tech—Dave Bendit
Worship Leader—Jayne Hutchison
Praise Band Leader—Shelley Kontra

NOW SERVING... coffee, snacks & fellowship in Chapel Hall each Sunday from 8:00-10:00 AM. Please join us!

2013 HCOB DIRECTORIES ARE HERE—Get yours in the narthex today!

OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS are extended to Randy & Patti McClune upon the death of Randy's father, Paul McClune, on February 1st.

HCOB Youth News

- ★ Monday 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM—Sr. High Cell Group at Hinton's
- ★ Monday 6:45 PM - 8:15 PM: Younger Youth Cell Group at Hoffman's
- ★ Feb 15-18: Winter Retreat
- ★ March 8-9, 9:30pm - 6:00am: District Sr. High All-Nighter at Ephrata COB

☆Contact the Church Office☆

Amy Smith - *Administrator*

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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

Karen Rice – *Children's Ministry Coordinator*

Cell: 413-1137; E-mail: karen@hempfieldcob.org

☆ Bulletin Deadline☆

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

☆HCOB Family Facts☆

Attendance for February 10, 2013

Sunday School: 90 Traditional Service: 45 Blended Service: 226

Giving for February 10, 2013

General Offering: \$10,583 Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$20

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,069