

# Hempfield Church of the Brethren



March 31, 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.*



**THE CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING DATE HAS CHANGED TO APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>.** Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

**FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR APRIL:** Stew, Pears, Beets, Carrots, Canned pasta, Peanut butter. Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank. Thank you!

**GIRLS NIGHT OUT** will be at the church on Tues April 30th. The Mother/Daughter banquet event is being extended to all ladies in the congregation to have a fun evening socializing, eating, and being entertained. You will be in for a treat with husband and wife, Kyle and Kelly, performing magic, music and illusion with over 25 years performing for Phillies, Flyers, Eagles and many other venues. Master Chef Pete Cope will be cooking up a delicious meal of pork loin with all the fixings. Mark your calendars and invite your family and friends!

**VBS MEETING ON APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>** - following the 10:15 service. Join us if you have any interest in being involved with 2013 VBS. We need teachers, helpers, craft assistants, game leaders, decorators, snack helpers...we can find a spot for anyone!

**THE EDUCATION TEAM IS OFFERING A GRANT** to individuals pursuing a career in Christian Ministry or attending a Christian college or university. Inquiring applicants can send a letter to the Education Team. The deadline for the grant is May 1, 2013.

**ALPHA AND OMEGA COMMUNITY CENTER ANNUAL BANQUET** will be held April 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM at Middle Creek COB. Come enjoy a delicious dinner and hear how the Lord is working in the Hispanic population of Lancaster City through this dynamic ministry. Attendance is free and a love offering will be taken to support Alpha and Omega. There is a flyer on the bulletin board in the outer office with more information. Please sign up in the narthex to attend and see Dennis Hughes with any questions.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED** for the preschool and elementary age classes! There is a strong need for individuals willing to teach or assist in the children's Sunday School classes during the 10:15 am church hour. Do you enjoy kids? Do you have fun getting excited about all God has to share with us? Do you like to do creative activities? Maybe you enjoy assisting and getting to know the great kids in our congregation. Our Sunday School program is in great need of people who are interested in sharing God with the children of our congregation. You are only asked to teach or assist approximately once a month. You can even find a person to share the responsibility or have Karen pair you up with someone. Curriculum is provided. Perhaps you can't commit to every month and would prefer to be a substitute? No problem. Please contact the Children's Ministry Coordinator, Karen Rice, if you are interested. (Adults who are leading or assisting with our children need to have their Child Protection Clearances. Let Karen know if this is something you are interested in pursuing.) Thank you SO much for considering it. Just a warning...it is hard not to get hooked in by these amazing kids once you start! Huge blessing!

**HEIFER INTERNATIONAL BANQUET** will be held here at HCOB on April 16 at 6:00 PM. Ardyth Neill, the President of Heifer Foundation, will be our speaker for the evening. More information can be found on the flyer in the outer office. You can sponsor a table of 8 for \$150 or purchase individual tickets at \$20 each. Please sign up in the narthex.

**BUS TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE--**Ken Kreider is again offering Elite coach transportation to Annual Conference this year (June 28-July 4). Pickups will be made in various locations. Contact Ken at 717-367-7622 or kreiderk@etown.edu for more information.

## **HCOB YOUTH NEWS**

- ★ Monday 6:45 PM - 8:15 PM: Younger Youth Cell Group at Hoffman's
- ★ IMMEDIATELY--Pre-advance registration for National Youth Conference 2014. \$100 check needed to reserve your spot (this will also apply toward total student cost)
- ★ April 13--Youth Ping-Pong Tournament
- ★ April 20--Senior High Service Project at Parker Ford, PA. Registration deadline April 15. Cost is free and lunch will be provided.
- ★ June 25-30 -- Creation Festival
- ★ July 28 - Aug 3--Senior High Youth Regional Missions Trip



☆This Week: March 31-April 7☆

<b>TODAY</b>	Easter Sunday	
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:45 P.M.	Younger Youth Cell Group
<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:00 P.M.	Deacons Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:00 A.M.	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast
	4:30 P.M.	Education Team
	7:00 P.M.	Sanctuary Choir
<b>THURSDAY</b>	7:00 P.M.	Prayer Experience
<b>FRIDAY</b>	7:00 P.M.	WORDD Worship
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00 A.M.	Traditional Service
	9:00 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:15 A.M.	Blended Service
		Pastor Geoff Davis preaching "Peace Be With You" John 20:19-23

☆Future Dates to Keep in Mind☆

- April 14**—VBS meeting
- April 16**—Heifer Project Dinner
- April 17**—Herald Deadline
- April 18**—Congregational Gathering

☆Today's Worship Service☆

PRELUDES

Fanfare for a New Day  
Lead On, O King Eternal  
Sanctus  
Be Still, My Soul

L. Smith  
R. C. Wilson  
Charles Gounod  
Sibelius

EASTER VIDEO

\*PRAISE SONG                      Arise

WELCOME—GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE                              Matthew 28:1-10

\*WORSHIP & PRAISE

In Christ Alone  
Jesus, Messiah

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought  
Offertory—If With All Your Hearts                      Mendelssohn  
*(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)*

SCRIPTURE                              1 Corinthians 15:54-57

MORNING PRAYER

*Please include the following people in your prayers:*  
Chhrey Chea, Julia Gladfelter, Grace Alivia Huacani, Torie Hostetter,  
Sarah Landis, Jake Lapp, John & Peggie Layman, Family of Mary Jane Myer

EASTER ANTHEMS

Because of Who You Are – Diane Garber soloist  
Halleluia to the Lamb

Sanctuary Choir

\*HYMN                                      Because He Lives                      On Screen

MESSAGE                                      Emptiness Is Full of Promise

\*HYMN                                      Hear the Bells Ringing                      On Screen

CHILDREN ADORN THE CROSS      Revelation 21:1-6

\*HYMN Christ the Lord Is Risen Today 280

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Song of Triumph (Easter) Palestrina/Emery

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

Preacher—Pastor Pete Kontra  
Organist/Pianist—June Lykens Lantz  
Sound Techs—Rich & Jamie Bushong  
Video Tech—Dave Bendit  
Worship Leader—Kent Rice  
Sanctuary Choir Director—Barry Carper

**THE FLOWERS** are presented by Jim and Kim Stauffer in loving memory of their son Michael and to celebrate our risen Savior, Jesus Messiah.

**NO CHILDREN’S CHURCH ON EASTER SUNDAY**

Children will be staying with their families during the Easter Sunday service. We hope you will enjoy the worship together as a family. Please remember that there are activity bags available in the narthex. The nursery is still available for infants and toddlers. Thank you!

**PASTOR PETE AND SHELLEY’S NEW ADDRESS:** 1128 Mill Mar Road, Lancaster PA 17601.

**JULIA GLADFELTER WILL BE 100 ON APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>!** Let’s send her some cards as a birthday blessing! Her address is Brethren Village, P.O. Box 5093, Lancaster PA 17606.

**THANK YOU** for your thoughts and prayers during my recovery from surgery.  
--Lois Moyer

**A BIG THANK YOU** to everybody that made candy or donated money to purchase candy from Linda Rannel’s Geneva Bakery to resell at the Brethren Village. \$1,131 was made on the Auxiliary Candy Sale to benefit the residents of the Village.

☆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

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 March 24, 2013**

Sunday School: 81      Traditional Service: 45      Blended Service: 226

**Giving for March 24, 2013**

General Offering: \$10,664.50      Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$310

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