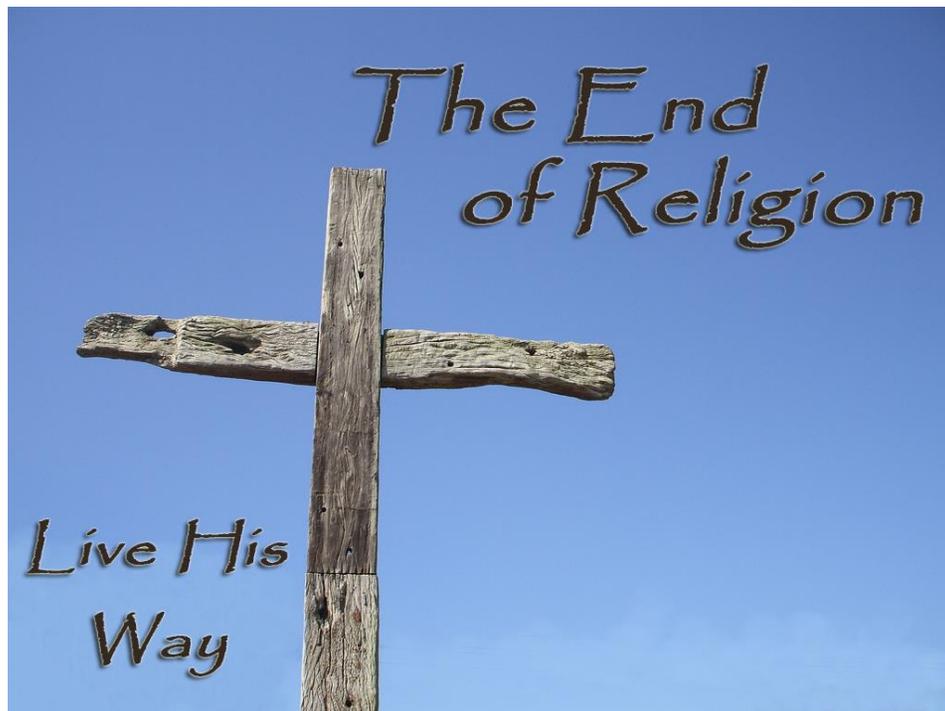


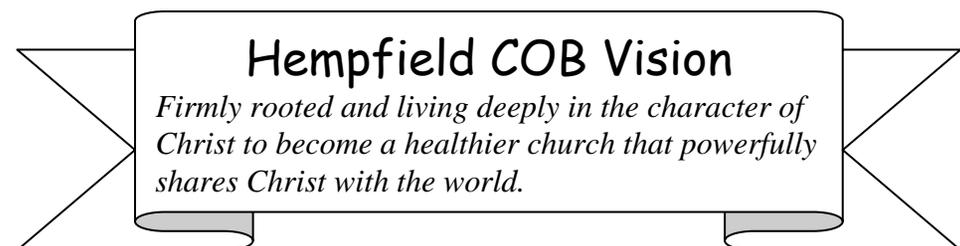
Hempfield Church of the Brethren



- † **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.

Get to know us more at
www.hempfieldcob.org

September 1, 2013
10:15 AM





☆This Week: September 1-8☆

MONDAY	Church Office Closed for Labor Day	
TUESDAY	7:00 P.M.	Deacons Meeting
WEDNESDAY	6:00 A.M.	Ladies Prayer Breakfast
	4:45 P.M.	Education Team
THURSDAY	7:00 P.M.	Prayer Experience
FRIDAY	7:00 P.M.	WORDD Worship
SATURDAY	10:00 A.M.	Outbreak Festival
SUNDAY	Rally Day	
	8:00 A.M.	Traditional Service
	9:00 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:15 A.M.	Blended Service
		Pastor Pete Kontra Preaching "It's All About the Image"
		Genesis 1:26-31
	11:30 A.M.	Church Picnic

☆Future Dates to Keep in Mind☆

- September 9**—Younger Youth Cell Group Begins
- September 15**—2-Cent-A-Meal Offering
- September 18**—Herald Deadline
- September 18**—Connections Begins
- September 19**—Ladies Bible Study Begins
- September 27 & 28**—Disaster Relief Auction

From The Gifts Discernment Team

It is once again time to fill important positions in the church's ministry teams. Over the next few weeks we will highlight the various teams, and beginning Sunday September 15 a nomination form will be provided in the bulletin. Please prayerfully consider who is gifted to serve in these ministry opportunities. This week we are highlighting the Education, Fellowship and Hospitality and Social Services Ministry Teams, all who will have vacancies open in 2014.

The Education Team (one vacancy) administers the total Christian education program of the congregation with the objective of fostering continuous spiritual growth within its members. Some of the programs administered by the Education Team include Sunday school, vacation bible school, connections, the church library, nursery and children's church.

The Fellowship and Hospitality Team (one vacancy) develops and coordinates actions and events which promote the fellowship of members and promote the hospitality of visitors. Examples of some such events would be the Church picnic and the Good Friday prayer breakfast.

The Social Service Team (two vacancies) administers the church's social services ministries through initiating and coordinating new service opportunities, collecting funds and materials for disaster relief and in general encouraging and supporting service efforts of the church body.

If you are interested in serving on a ministry team, please contact anyone on the Spiritual Gifts Team. In addition, please prayerfully consider individuals who you think have the gifts and abilities to serve on the ministry teams.

The Spiritual Gifts Discernment Team – Carolyn Fritz, Carl Haas, Millie Hoffman, Bev Moyer, Mary Lou Ruth, Pete Kontra and Pete Cope



THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND.

THE DEACONS WILL BE MEETING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 AT 7:00 PM.

CHURCH PICNIC!!!! SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8th. NO SIGN UP 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! 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.) Please drop off your food during early church or Sunday school so we are ready to serve after the 10:15 service. 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.

OUTBREAK SNACK TABLE—Donations of cookies, cupcakes, brownies, whoopie pies, rice krispy treats and apples are needed to sell at the Snack Table on September 7. A snack sign up sheet is available in the narthex. Please bring all donated items to the church kitchen by September 6. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Caldwell at 569-0159. Thank you.

THE ADULT CHOIR SEASON IS READY TO BEGIN! We are pleased to announce that Jen Hinton and Kristin Stauffer will be sharing the responsibilities of interim choir director starting in September until December or until a permanent director can be found, whatever comes first. Planning has already begun for the season and you may pick up a schedule and rehearsal CD on the Narthex table or in the choir room. Rehearsals begin September 11 and will be every other Wednesday at 7:00 PM. See you there!

COBYS HIKE & BIKE—SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8

This event will be held at Lititz COB, 300 W. Orange Street, Lititz. For more than 30 years COBYS has been serving children and strengthening families in many ways. This year's goal is to raise \$100,000 through the Bike and Hike event. There is a 3 mile hike through Lititz Spring Park and community; bike and motorcycle rides travel the countryside. You are invited to participate in any of these events. You may pick up a brochure on the narthex table for more info and to register. James Wenger has been a great supporter of the bike ride for many years as well as Sunday School classes and individuals. You may donate even if you don't participate and also just come and support the hundreds who participate as they leave and return from their journey and enjoy refreshments together in the pavilion. **You can join the picnic at Hempfield Church and also participate in the Bike & Hike which are the same day.**

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER: Kidney beans, canned vegetables, macaroni & cheese, tomato soup, chicken noodle soup. Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank. Thank you!

THE KIDS WILL STAY WITH THE ADULTS IN THE CHURCH SERVICE ON RALLY DAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH. We will be making a special presentation to the kindergartners and 3rd graders and want the families to be able to worship together on that day.

HCOB YOUTH NEWS

- ★ **Younger Youth Cell Group** returns on Monday, September 9th at the Witmer's home from 6:45-8:45 PM.
- ★ **NYC Hangout: Pizza and Fun with the Coordinators!** September 8 @ 7:00 pm, Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren—Come out and meet the 2014 National Youth Conference Coordinators to learn more about NYC, enjoy food and fellowship, and get excited for next summer! Youth and advisors are welcome! Visit www.brethren.org/NYC for more information about NYC.

☆Today's Worship Service☆

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

PRELUDES

Andante Espressivo	Irenes Berge
Solemn Worship	Charles Demorest
Prelude on "Aberystwyth" "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"	Smith / Perry
Meditation on "Arnsberg" "God Himself Is With Us"	Mueller

Organist/Pianist—June Lykens Lantz
Preacher—Pastor Pete Kontra
Sound Techs—Rich & Jamie Bushong
Video Tech—Dave Bendit
Praise Band Leader—Daphne Witmer

*HYMN I Am Thine, O Lord 505

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRAISE SONGS Praise Band

Amazing Love
What a Friend We Have in Jesus
I'll Fly Away

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR SINCERE THANKS for all the support and prayers over the years during our long journey with Curt's Parkinson's Disease. We also greatly appreciate the caring expressed to us in the past several weeks since he went to be with the Lord. Thank you all so much for your prayers and support.
-Ruth Johnson and family

CONGRATULATIONS TO BRANDON & ANGIE COX on the arrival of their daughter, Lucy Nicole, on August 20th! Betty Cox is the happy grandmother.

*WELCOME ONE ANOTHER

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:41-47

MORNING PRAYER

Please include the following people in your prayers:
Chhrey Chea, Jayne Hutchison, John Kreider, Sarah Landis

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought
Offertory—Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us Bradbury
(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)

SPECIAL MUSIC It Took a Miracle (Peterson) W. F. Lantz, Baritone

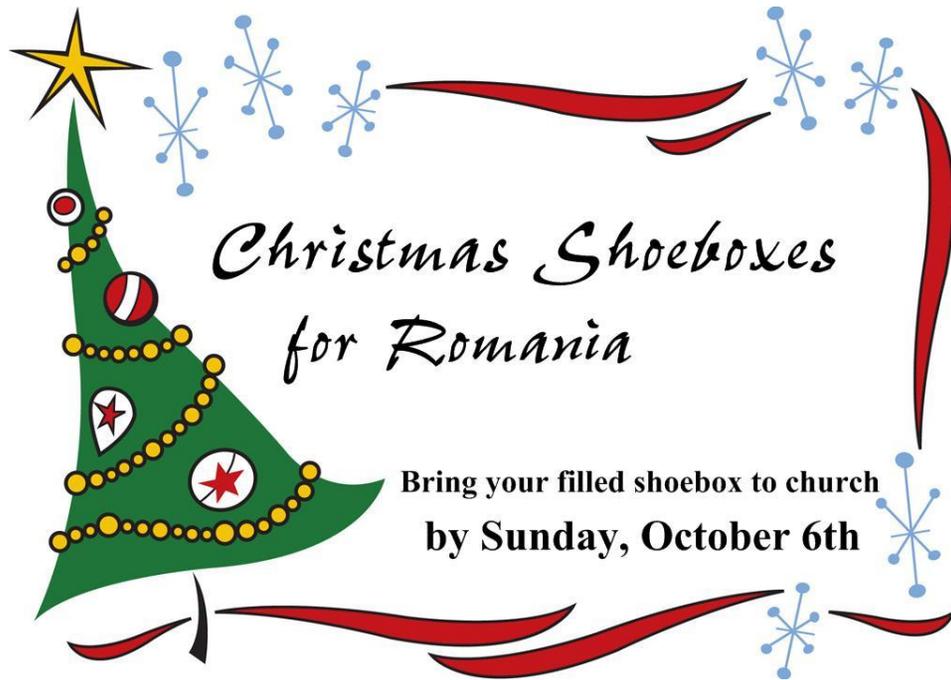
SCRIPTURE Colossians 1:1-14

MESSAGE The End of Religion

*HYMN Heart with Loving Heart United 420

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Postlude in B Flat Corelli



Christmas Shoeboxes for Romania

Bring your filled shoebox to church
by Sunday, October 6th

Suggested Items

- ♥ **Clothing:** hats, gloves, scarves, socks, t-shirts, flannel wear
- ♥ **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
- ♥ **Personal Touch:** personal or family picture with a little note

Instructions

- ♥ Fill regular size shoebox with up to 3.5 lbs of suggested items
- ♥ Wrap with love and gift paper
- ♥ Mark for boy or girl and age range on outside of box
- ♥ **Include \$6/box for shipping—please place on the outside**
- ♥ Bring to church by Sunday, October 6th and we'll take care of the rest!

In cooperation with the ministry of "My Brother's Keeper"

☆Contact the Church Office☆

Amy Smith - *Administrator*

Phone: 898-0181; E-mail: office@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 August 25, 2013

Sunday School: 64 Traditional Service: 47 Blended Service: 214

Giving for August 25, 2013

General Offering: \$11,136.50 Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$1,635
Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,069