

# Hempfield Church of the Brethren



March 23, 2014  
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.

Get to know us more at  
[www.hempfieldcob.org](http://www.hempfieldcob.org)

## 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.*



HCOB  
Calendar

☆ This Week: March 23-30 ☆

<b>MONDAY</b>	6:00 P.M.	Reveal Survey Team
	6:30 P.M.	Sr. High Cell Group
	6:45 P.M.	Younger Youth Cell Group
<b>TUESDAY</b>	6:00 P.M.	Pastoral Relations Team
	7:00 P.M.	Servant Team
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:00 A.M.	Ladies Prayer Breakfast
	5:30 P.M.	Connections
	6:30 P.M.	Praise Band Practice
	7:00 P.M.	Choir Rehearsal
<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 "Unworthy Servants"
		Luke 17:7-10

☆ Future Dates to Keep in Mind ☆

- April 3**—Prayer Experience
- April 4**—WORDD Worship
- April 12**—Easter Egg Hunt
- April 13**—Palm Sunday
- April 18**—Good Friday Breakfast
- April 20**—Easter Sunday



**FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR MARCH:** Pears, Crackers, Baked beans, Spaghetti sauce, Pancake mix & syrup. **No egg cartons are needed at this time!** Please put items in the coatroom and they will be taken to the food bank.

**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 Donna Reed on the Education Team (rdreed2@verizon.net). The deadline is May 1, 2014.

**INTERESTED IN ATTENDING CAMP SWATARA THIS YEAR?** The earlier you get your reservation form in, the better, because after May 26 camp fees increase \$25. Information on various programs is available on the bulletin boards in the outer office and outside the kitchen. The Education Team will pay 100% for a **FIRST** time camper and 75% for any other child. Contact Janice Haldeman, our Camp Representative, with any questions.

**CHOIR, WE ARE ADDING A REHEARSAL** on Wednesday, March 26th. This was not on our original schedule, but is being added to give us some additional time to get ready for the rest of our season. Pray for no snow! ;) See the HCOB online calendar or Jen with schedule questions!

**ATTENTION POST-HIGH GRADUATES.** If you or anyone you know is graduating from a college or technical school, please contact Donna Reed (rdreed2@verizon.net) by Sunday, April 27, to complete a short questionnaire. We want to celebrate with you as you finish this chapter of your life!

**9TH-12TH GRADERS!** Please plan to join us on Monday, March 31st from 6:30-8:30 PM at the CHURCH in Chapel Hall. Instead of our regular cell group, we will be taking the Reveal Church Survey together. Steph Moyer will join us to help with the survey and our discussion afterwards. Please plan to bring a mobile device (iPad, laptop) if you can and we will have some available too.

**EASTER CANDY SALE** sponsored by the Brethren Village Auxiliary will be held Friday, April 11 in Wolfe Auditorium 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Candy will be sold at \$4.00 per half pound. Please patronize the sale and help raise funds for BV Auxiliary projects.

**DONATIONS OF HOMEMADE CANDY** are needed for the Village sale. Some suggestions for candy- Coconut Cream Eggs, Peanut Butter Eggs, Butter Cream Eggs, Opera Fudge, Fudge, Lollipops, Peanut Clusters, Peanut Butter Cups, Peanut Brittle, any of your favorite kind of candy. Diabetic candies are appreciated. Bring to the church kitchen April 6-9. **Please make sure the candy is labeled and marked for Brethren Village. If you are unable to make candy, please consider this alternative.** You can also donate money which we will use to purchase candy from Linda Rannel's Geneva Bakery and resell it at the Village. There will be a table in the narthex to receive your donations or a sign-up sheet to make your own candy. For each multiple of \$8.00 donations, a pound of candy can be purchased. **Let's do this to show our appreciation to Linda for all the years she has directed the youth Easter candy sale and worked with other youth fund raisers!** They will not be selling candy this year.

**THE HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP MINISTRY** is planning a clean-up day on **Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**. Participants will meet at **9:30AM** at the church. If you would like to participate in this ministry of caring for our community's environment, please sign up in the narthex. We need about 10 people to help out with this project. Contact Cody Musser (575-2011) if you have any questions.

**FRIENDS TOGETHER WEEK**—It's time to start planning for our week of day camp for developmentally disabled adults to be held June 16-20 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Our theme this year is "God Supplies Our Needs." If you would be willing to serve one to one with a developmentally disabled adult for the week, day or whatever time you have, please see Betty Cox, Ellie Lehman, Gladys Ulmer or Jean Caldwell.

**BETHANY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY** (the official seminary of the Church of the Brethren) is launching several new ministry initiatives specifically in the areas of evangelism, missional church and reconciliation ministries. They will be hosting a conversation to share the vision for these new initiatives with members of Hempfield and Spring Creek COB on Thursday, April 10 at 7:00 PM at Elizabethtown COB. There will be no solicitation for financial gifts at this meeting, however, they will also share how you can become involved in Bethany's new financial campaign to support this ministry if you so desire. Anyone is welcome to attend.

## ☆Today's Worship Service☆

### PRELUDES

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 34:1-14

\*PRAISE SONGS Praise Band  
Jesus, Lead On  
Open the Eyes of My Heart  
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

*Children ages 3 years old-5<sup>th</sup> grade are dismissed for Children's Church*

SCRIPTURE Romans 2:6-11

### OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought  
Offertory

*(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)*

\*HYMN Blessed Assurance 332

### MORNING PRAYER

*Please include the following people in your prayers:*  
Grace Brubaker, Gloria Brumbaugh, Chhrey Chea, Julia Gladfelter,  
John Kreider, Sarah Landis, Jason Smith

SPECIAL MUSIC Ashley Heisey

SCRIPTURE Matthew 21:23-27

MESSAGE By What Authority?

\*HYMN Savior of My Soul 549

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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

Organist/Pianist—June Lykens Lantz; Preacher—Pastor Pete Kontra  
Worship Leader—Jayne Hutchison  
Sound Techs—Matt Markey & Rich Bushong  
Video Tech—Doug Howard; Praise Band Leader—Shelley Kontra

### **SPRING CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING MOVED TO JUNE 8**

God is good and is working in Hempfield. Thank you to everyone who has offered prayers, support, encouragement, questions, and constructive suggestions and concerns regarding the new outreach vision proposal. Implementing this vision will help us take the message of Jesus into our community and beyond. In order to prepare the best plan possible and to be responsive to the thoughtful suggestions we received, the Leadership Team will do some additional work on the proposal over the next two months. The congregation will have the opportunity to review the proposal prior to the June 8 Congregational Gathering. The Leadership Team is meeting this Tuesday, after which Chair Ray O'Boyle will report to the congregation. As a result of this change there will be two services on April 6.

**THE FLOWERS** are presented by Leon & Carol Koser to the honor and glory of God.

**THE ROSEBUD ON THE TABLE** is presented in celebration of the arrival of Jackson James Cope who was born on March 3<sup>rd</sup> to Adam & Ashley Cope. The proud grandparents are Pete & Cindy Cope.

### ***CHURCH-WIDE SPIRITUAL LIFE SURVEY***

From March 29-April 14, we are asking EVERYONE who considers HCOB their church home to participate in the on-line Spiritual Life Survey. You do not have to be a member to participate. This is a comprehensive and thought provoking 20-40 minute investment in your own spiritual life that will help the church understand how to best meet your spiritual needs. Computers and volunteers will be available at the church to assist you if you do not have home internet access. A few paper copies of the survey are also available to those who need them. Please see the sign-up in the narthex for more information.

### ***HCOB YOUTH NEWS***

- ★ **Younger Youth Cell Group**—Monday, 6:45 PM—Millie Hoffman's
- ★ **Sr. High Cell Group**—Monday, 6:30 PM—Hinton's
- ★ **Sr. High Taking Reveal Survey**—Monday, March 31, 6:30 PM--@ HCOB, Chapel Hall

## ☆ 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 March 16, 2014**

Sunday School: 68      Traditional Service: 34      Blended Service: 212

### **Giving for March 16, 2014**

General Offering: \$9,792      Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$290  
*Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,201*

One Great Hour of Sharing = \$428      2-Cent-A-Meal Offering = \$1,150.44