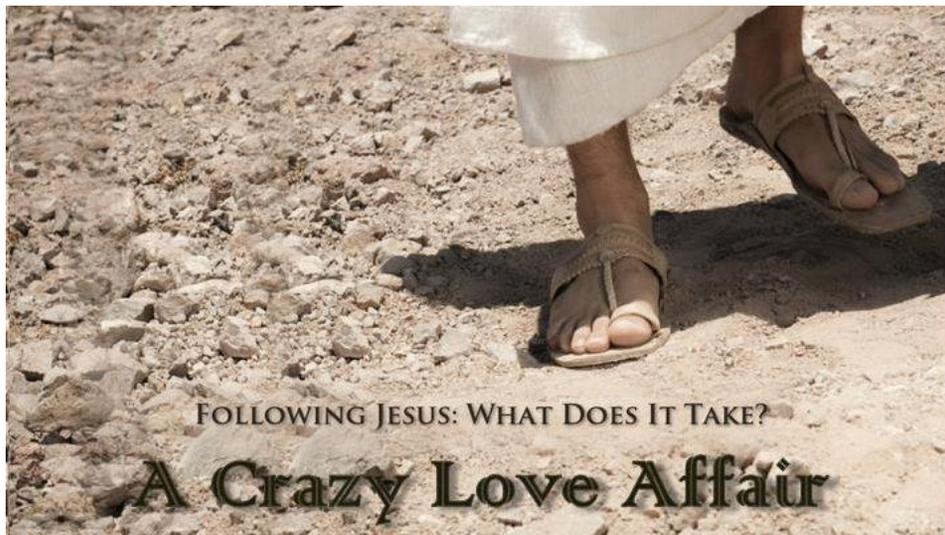


Hempfield Church of the Brethren



September 14, 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

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: September 14-21 ☆

TODAY	11:30 A.M.	Church Picnic
	11:30 A.M.	Free Blood Pressure Checks
MONDAY	6:30 P.M.	Sr. High Cell Group
TUESDAY	6:30 P.M.	Fellowship & Hospitality Team
	6:30 P.M.	Social Services Team
WEDNESDAY	HERALD DEADLINE	
	6:00 A.M.	Ladies Prayer Breakfast
	6:30 P.M.	Praise Band Practice
	7:00 P.M.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 P.M.	Evangelism Team
THURSDAY	9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Study
	6:30 P.M.	TNT Youth Ministries
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M.	Traditional Service
	9:00 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:15 A.M.	Blended Service
		Pastor Geoff Davis Preaching
		What Would You Have Done?
		Luke 9:59-60

☆ Future Dates to Keep in Mind ☆

September 26 & 27—Disaster Relief Auction
 October 4—District Conference
 October 5—Love Feast



**JOIN US FOR OUR
 "COMMUNITY NIGHT"
 FUNDRAISER**

On Thursday, October 9, 2014, Isaac's Famous Grilled Sandwiches (Granite Run) will hold a "Community Night" to benefit the Alpha & Omega Community Center. Enjoy an evening out with your family and friends while supporting these ministry programs. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the cost of your meal will go directly to Alpha & Omega.

WHERE: Isaac's Famous Grilled Sandwiches
 Granite Run Square
 1559 Manheim Pike
 Lancaster, PA 17601
(Valid at this location only)

WHEN: Thursday, October 9, 2014, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

HOW: Bring this flyer with you to Isaac's, complete the information, and hand it to your server when paying.

TAKEOUT: No time to sit down and eat? Call your order in ahead of time to 560-7774 and place a takeout order.

This form can be used for Dine-In, Takeout and Online Orders at www.isaacsdeli.com. Use coupon code **FUND** for online fundraiser orders.

Please complete this information for your server.

Name: _____

Number of People in Party: _____

Total Cost of Meal (excluding tax): _____

***Coupons, discounts, or specials not valid during this fundraiser.**

I want to receive Isaac's special offers and discounts by email.

Email: _____

Want to help your organization earn even MORE? Add an Isaac's **Gift Card** to your check and **15%** of the gift card sale will be added to the fundraiser! Gift card must be used on future visit.



CHURCH PICNIC TODAY!

Please join us for a chicken barbecue picnic with all the trimmings! Even if you did not sign up please feel free to stay after church and enjoy a meal with us.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS will be given by nurses after church today. Please feel free to stop by and ask them any questions about this issue.

Let's Do The ALS Challenge Together For Our Dear Friend Scott Hollinger! A dunk tank has been donated for our picnic today! So bring your bathing suit, your throwing arm and your checkbook and let's get some people wet as we help his family with the considerable expenses that have accrued through the years of his illness. See you outside!

COLLEGE STUDENT AND MILITARY PERSONNEL ADDRESSES NEEDED BY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12. If you know of any HCOB family members who are in college or the military, we would like to have their contact information to send them notes of encouragement and to list them in the annual church directory. Please complete the short form in the tray labeled "College & Military Addresses" in the outer office. Or you can call Doris Wright at 898-8296.

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.

OUR PRAYER LINE IS WORKING AGAIN! If you want to listen to current prayer requests, please call the normal church phone (898-0181). You will hear a message that gives you various options to choose from. Please press "5" for the prayer line. It's that simple! If you have a prayer request that you want to submit for the prayer line, please call Claire Lincoln at home (898-2603) before 8:00 PM. You can also contact Claire (clavic54@comcast.net) if you would like to be added to the e-mail list that receives prayer requests by e-mail.

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER— Dry Soup, Can Soup, Baked Beans, Spaghetti Noodles, Vegetables. Please continue to donate both paper and plastic grocery bags. **Please note that egg cartons are no longer needed.**

BRETHREN VILLAGE WHEELCHAIR WALK is scheduled for September 25. Please contact Gerrie Hurst or Lois Killian if you can help. The residents of the Village thank you!

TEACHERS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED!

The children of Hempfield COB need you! We are in need of teachers for the 1st through 3rd grade class and the 4th & 5th grade class. We also need assistants. There are not enough adults involved for the upcoming Fall session. We have amazing children who deserve your time and life experiences. Materials are provided and are easy to follow. Ask one of the current teachers or assistants if they believe their time with the kids is worthwhile. We also need more folks in the Nursery. Who doesn't want to spend time with an adorable baby or toddler?! What a blessing! Please contact me if you are interested in being involved. Also see myself or Deb Bendit if you need your clearances done. Thank you! --Karen Rice

LET'S COMPOST!

You might have noticed the composter that now sits alongside the Rising Light Garden (thanks Rod Myers for building it for us!). Part of the denominational grant that we secured included the establishment of a compost station in order to become better stewards of God's environment. So starting now, let's make an effort to put less waste into the landfills and more into producing free, environmentally-friendly, nutrient-rich soil! Just place your usable materials (list below) into the fullest section of the composter OR into the "temporary" container next to the trash bins outside the rear gym entrance. It's that simple!

Common church trash that will make nice compost:

Coffee grounds and filters, Food (except meats), Newspaper, white paper, Grass clippings and leaves, Wood ashes and sawdust, Small cardboard pieces

Things NOT to compost:

Cat/dog droppings, colored paper, lime, meat, fat, grease, oils, bones, nonbiodegradable and toxic materials.

HCOB Youth News

- ★ **Monday, 6:30 PM**—Sr. High Youth Cell Group @ the Hintons
- ★ **Thursdays, 6:30 PM**—TNT Youth Ministries

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES
FOR ROMANIA!

A MINISTRY OF
MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

Reach Beyond Your World
Again This Christmas

We are privileged to serve four locations

Cighid Orphanage & Oradea Community
Stroiesti Village & Dorohoi Orphanage
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 5th**.

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 5th!

- ✝ **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:

Jean Barger jbar222@comcast.net (717) 653-6258

☆Today's Worship Service☆

PRELUDES

Make the Sounds of Praise R. J. Hughes
Adagio T. Albinoni. arr/ by G. Blake
Praise Ye the Triune God R.J.Hughes
My Jesus, I Love Thee Gordon, arr. by Daine Bish

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRAISE SONGS

Power in the Blood
All Bow Down
All My Hope

Praise Band

*PRAYER

Children ages 3 years old-5th grade are invited to Children's Church

TNT 1ST NIGHT RECAP

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

BIBLE 2 SCHOOL Kori Pennypacker

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought
Offertory—There Is a Balm in Gilead Spiritual, arr. by L.Grant
(Please sign the attendance book during the offertory)

*HYMN Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God 324

MORNING PRAYER

Please include the following people in your prayers:

The Family of Ken Brubaker, The Family of Tom Cope, Julia Gladfelter,
Dennis Hughes, Glen Krebs, John Kreider, Richard Landis, Sarah Landis,
June Lantz, Yvonne Musser, Doug Nauman, Gerry Shuman, Jason Smith,
Harold Stauffer, Paula Stoner, Alex Troxell, Ernestine Zurin

SCRIPTURE Luke 9:57-58

MESSAGE A Crazy Love Affair

*HYMN Renew Your Church 363

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Recessional J. A. Dasher

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

Organist/Pianist—June Lykens Lantz; Preacher—Pete Kontra
Sound Techs—Matt Markey & Rich Bushong
Worship Leader—Doug Hinton; Video Tech—Nate Polonchak
Praise Band Leader—Shelley Kontra

THE FLOWERS are presented by Carl & Nancy Haas to the honor and glory of God and in celebration of their 43rd wedding anniversary.

OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS to Millie Brubaker and family upon the sudden death of her husband, Ken Brubaker. May God's love comfort you during this time of grief.

THANK YOU TO ARLENE SLOTTER for the 14 beautiful quilts displayed and donated to the disaster auction. Thank you also to the quilting group for their work on the striking district quilt.

THANK YOU TO THE INDIVIDUALS who contributed to the offerings taken during the adult Sunday School class this past summer. \$319.00 was given to the Brethren Disaster Relief Auction to be used by the Food Committee.

WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE for your kind expressions of compassion and comfort to us during this difficult time in the sudden death of Tom Cope, our husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. A special thank-you to Pastor Pete for being by our side when our need was greatest. We have been blessed to be a part of the Hempfield congregation for 36 years. Please continue to remember us in your prayers. --Ruth Cope & Family

NOTE FROM PASTOR KENT

Brothers and Sisters, as we stand together once again on the banks of the swollen Jordan, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the experiences of the past five years and for the boldness of this Body of Believers in taking these next steps of faith. Five years ago, God called me, and you affirmed me into a sphere of service that stretched, shaped, broke, lifted and transformed me. From Clint Barger to Jake Rannels and everyone in between, I had the honor and privilege of serving our young people and trying to help them grown in their faith and understanding. Such moments we shared together! God lifted us onto the highest mountaintops and we also fell, broken, into our share of valleys. Some days I felt I honored this calling well and others I fell short. But in the end, my prayer would be not that the guy who used to sit in Pastor Doug's office made a difference, but rather that lives were changed by the power, mercy and grace of God who continues to use all sorts of people to serve in his Son's church. We have the right people here *right now* to be an example to churches everywhere--and more will come when they see what God is doing. May God bless you and keep you always! *"He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."* -- Micah 6:8

☆ Sermon Notes ☆

Love Feast Questionnaire

Dear Hempfield Members,

If you've attended Love Feast in the past few years, you surely have noticed the declining attendance. Our Deacon Board is troubled by this and wants to get to the root of the problem. Maybe it's the time of day, maybe it's not important to us any longer, or maybe we're too busy! We have compiled a few questions to help us make this humbling tradition better attended. You do not have to sign your name to these questions, but feel free to be completely honest with your thoughts and opinions.

Please take a few minutes and answer these questions. Your Deacon Board will review the answers and forward any changes or additions to our Love Feast service to you.
--Blessings, Your Deacons

1. Do you attend both Love Feasts each year or at least one of them?
2. How does attending Love Feast affect your spiritual life?
3. What are the reasons you don't attend Love Feast?
4. If you have teenage children, are they encouraged to attend Love Feast? If not, why?
5. What is your own reason for attending Love Feast? Please explain, is it tradition, habit, or a spiritual need?
6. How many years have you been a member of the Church of the Brethren?
7. Please circle your age.

30 and under 30 – 40 40 – 50 50 – 60 60 and over

☆ 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: gdavis6320@comcast.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 September 7, 2014

Traditional Service: N/A

Blended Service: 197

Giving for September 7, 2014

General Offering: \$10,660.35

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$1,215

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,201