

Hempfield Church of the Brethren



March 29, 2015
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 complete a welcome card** which you will find in the pew in front of you so that we can get to know you better and 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: March 29 – April 5 ☆

TODAY	11:30 A.M.	Youth Grab 'N Go Lunch Fundraiser
MONDAY	6:30 P.M.	Sr. High Youth Cell Group
WEDNESDAY	6:00 A.M. 7:00 P.M.	Ladies Prayer Breakfast Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	9:00 A.M. 6:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Ladies Bible Study Praise Band Practice TNT Youth Ministry Prayer Experience
FRIDAY	Good Friday— 6:00 A.M. 6:45 P.M.	Church Office Closed Good Friday Breakfast WORDD Worship
SUNDAY	Easter Sunday 8:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M.	Traditional Service Sunday School Pastor Pete Kontra Preaching "More than Conquerors" John 20:1-18

☆ Future Dates to Keep in Mind ☆

April 11—Highway Clean-Up

April 15—Herald Deadline

April 26—Safe Church Presentation

April 28—Heifer International Banquet

Easter Season 2015



GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST

Good Friday Breakfast
April 3, 6:00 AM

Join with other Christians in our community to enjoy a delicious breakfast, special music and a brief devotional to help you reflect on the significance of Christ's life and death for us.

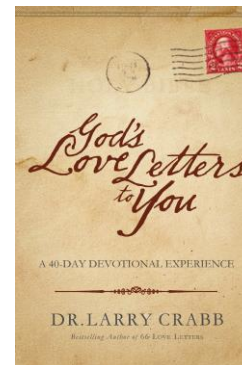
Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 5, 8:00 & 10:15 AM

Pastor Pete Kontra preaching

Join us for an inspirational service to sing joyful songs together, special music from our choir and a meaningful message from Pastor Pete to remind us of the true significance of Easter.



This Week's Reading Schedule



As we finish *God's Love Letters to You*, our last week's readings are found below. This week, read from days 33 through 40.

Week of 3/29 – 4/4

Sunday Focus: John

Weekly Reading: Day 33 (1 Thess.) – Day 40 (Rev.)

4/5: Happy Easter!!

If you have any feedback, please contact Pastor Doug. Positive, negative, and constructive feedback are welcome as we look to the fall curriculum, sharpening our process of communication and building one another up!



GRAB 'N GO LUNCH IS TODAY! After church, stop by the gym where our youth are offering another easy and delicious lunch for you to take home today. You will be supporting them as they raise money for future mission trips.

ONGOING FOOD BANK NEEDS— Boxed potatoes, Canned fruit, Canned pasta, Cereal (hot or cold), Tuna, Peanut butter, Baked beans, Spaghetti sauce, Spaghetti noodles, Macaroni & cheese. Please continue to donate both paper and plastic grocery bags. **Please note egg cartons are no longer needed.**

ALPHA & OMEGA COMMUNITY CENTER ANNUAL BANQUET will be held on Sat. April 18th, 2015 at 6:00 pm at the Lititz Church of the Brethren. Come and join us for a free meal and hear about how the Lord is working in Lancaster through the A&O Community Center. A free will offering will be taken during the banquet. Sign-up sheets are on a table in the narthex. Any questions call Dennis Hughes 569-3332.

SAFE CHURCH TEAM UPDATE & REQUEST FOR HELP—Five members of Hempfield's **Safe Church Team** met on March 21 for the second "Cluster" meeting at Witmer Height's Mennonite Church, with teams from seven other churches. We learned more about the horrendous scourge that child abuse inflicts on children, and saw video testimony from adult survivors, as well as a live presentation from a local woman who recounted sexual abuse from when she was a young girl, and her very long (and continuing) journey of recovery. We also got much more information about writing our new and updated Child Protection Policy, as well as sharing stories about what different churches are doing to protect children.

Please continue to pray for our Safe Church team members, and the formation of a **Safe Church Committee** who will do the continuing work of bookkeeping, getting the required clearances for our volunteers and staff, staying current with the laws and improving ways to keep our children safe. If you have a passion for protecting children, and one of these jobs sounds interesting to you, please contact Doug Hinton, Galen Brumbaugh, Sue Brubaker or Deb Bendit for more information.

EDUCATIONAL GRANT—The Church, through 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, secretary of the Education Team, via the church mailbox or rdreed2@verizon.net. The deadline for grant applications is May 1, 2015.

EXCITING NEW IDEA—A classified section in the Herald. This section would be used for various personal items and services. In addition, the section could be used for community activities and church related needs. A sample page is on the Narthex table. This idea cannot happen without people to help get it off the ground and keep it in operation. This could be your chance to contribute to our church family. Anyone interested in helping, please contact Carl Haas. Phone - 361-8559, Email - imcarlhaas@hotmail.com

THE HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP MINISTRY is planning a clean-up day on Saturday, April 11th. 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.

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 26, to complete a short survey. We want to celebrate with you as you finish this chapter of your life!

HCOB Prayer Calendar for Today

- ✠ **Staff:** Doug & Jen Hinton
- ✠ **Team:** Spiritual Gifts
- ✠ **Ministries and Specials:** College & Young Adults, Choir
- ✠ **Congregation Quality:** Righteousness (Matthew 5:6)

HCOB Youth News

- ★ **Monday, March 30**—No Sr. High Cell Group
- ★ **Thursdays, 6:30 PM**—TNT Youth Ministries in gym
- ★ **Today, March 29**—Youth Grab 'N Go Fundraising Lunch

☆Today's Worship Service☆

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Creation Haydn
Crown Him with Many Crowns Elney
The King Rides In! Lani Smith
Toccata Gordon Young

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDITATION Overwhelmed

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAISE SONGS Praise Band

Sing to the King
How Deep the Father's Love for Us

CHILDREN'S STORY

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

*HYMN Hosanna, Loud Hosanna 238

MINISTRY MOMENT Pastor Kent Rice

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought
Offertory— The Palms (Faure) B. J. Haverstick and J. L. Lantz
Visitors, please complete the welcome card in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

SPECIAL MUSIC Holy, Holy, Holy Women's Choir

MORNING PRAYER

Please include the following people in your prayers:

Betty Aulthouse, Julia Binkley & Family, Family of Paul Cope, Wilda Drake,
Cindy Eckman, Jayne Hutchison, Jason Kettering, June Lantz, Carl Lehman,
Yvonne Musser, Deb & Doug Nauman, Jason Smith, Marg Zurin

REVELATION SONG Deb Bendit, Jamie Bushong

SCRIPTURE John 12:12-19

MESSAGE Followers or Disciples?

*HYMN All Glory, Laud and Honor 237

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE The Royal Banners Mansfield

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

Organist/Pianist—June Lykens Lantz; Preacher—Pastor Kent Rice
Sound Techs—Matt Markey & Mitchell Barnes; Video Tech—Dave Bendit
Worship Leader—Pete Kontra; Praise Band Leader—Shelley Kontra
Women's Choir Leader—Laura Meiser; Flute—Cherl Myers

THERE WILL NOT BE A CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING ON APRIL 9

because there were not enough significant issues to put on the agenda for a normal meeting. Instead, we will be holding a very brief meeting to vote on repairing the roof on Sunday, April 12 after the 10:15 worship service. Information on the roof proposal is on the narthex table for you to pick up today. On Sunday, April 26th, the staff will briefly share what is happening in their ministries during the 10:15 worship service.

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JULIA GLADFELTER who will be 102 years old on April 3!

TORIE HOSTETTER WILL CELEBRATE HER 97TH BIRTHDAY on Saturday, April 4. She thanks God for her long life and loving family and friends.

OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS are with Todd Basom and his family as they grieve the death of Todd's mother. May God comfort them in their loss.

MY DEAR HCOB FAMILY: With grateful heart, I thank God for His healing power and "thanks" to you for your prayers, visits, cards and food, too! My appreciation also to Pastor Pete and Doug that they heeded my call to anoint me before my hand surgery. I am now the proud possessor of a nice piece of titanium and seven screws to hold my left hand together. My wonderful husband was my great caregiver. I have just started several weeks of hand therapy, and it is by faith that I try to be your organist once again. With your continued prayers and support, through God's continued healing, guidance and blessings we will make it through this journey of faith together.
--Your organist, June L. Lantz

☆ 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 staff members are here to help when you need them. Please feel free to contact them if you have a need.

Pete Kontra – *Senior Pastor*

Cell: 224-1917; E-mail: pete@hempfieldcob.org
Scheduled Day Off: Friday

Doug Hinton – *Pastor of Youth & Discipleship*

Cell: 717-951-5290; E-mail: doug@hempfieldcob.org
Scheduled Day Off: Tuesday

Kent Rice – *Pastor of Outreach & Mission*

Cell: 723-6197; E-mail: kent@hempfieldcob.org

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

Laura Meiser – *Music Director*

Cell: 689-0465; E-mail: laura@hempfieldcob.org

☆ Bulletin Deadline ☆

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

☆ HCOB Family Facts ☆

Attendance for March 22, 2015

Traditional Service: 38

Blended Service: 204

Giving for March 22, 2015

General Offering: \$8,964.47

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$4,160

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,600