

## Church Staff

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## HCOB Family Facts

### Attendance for November 1, 2015

Traditional Service: 35

Blended Service: 197

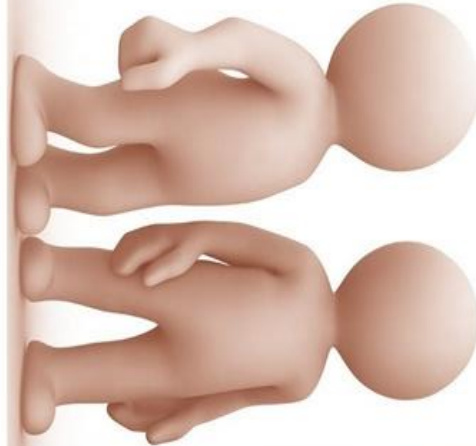
### Giving for November 1, 2015

General Offering: \$12,345.47

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$29,829

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

Walk In It



Where

Turn?

Do We

November 8, 2015  
10:15 AM

# Hempfield Church of the Brethren Welcomes You!

*To help you enjoy your visit this morning...*

- ✝ 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. Sunday School for all ages is at 9:00 AM.
- ✝ Nursery (ages 0-2) and “Kids Church” (3 years-5<sup>th</sup> grade) are available during the 10:15 worship service.
- ✝ Large print hymnals and bulletins are available in the narthex.
- ✝ Hearing assistive earpieces are available at the sound booth.
- ✝ We have a special gift for you after the service.

**Visit us at [www.hempfieldcob.org](http://www.hempfieldcob.org)**

## Today's Prayer Requests

- ✝ **Staff:** Geoff & Sally Davis
- ✝ **Teams:** Social Services
- ✝ **Ministries and Specials:** Youth, TNT, Praise Band
- ✝ **Congregation Quality:** Gentleness (1 Peter 3:4)
- ✝ **Individuals with Specific Needs:** Betty Aulhouse, Ned Harms, Bob Heffley, Russ Herr, Sallie Hoppert, Tiffanie Howard, Frank & June Lantz, Pearl Miller, Lois Moyer, Harold Musser, Deb & Doug Nauman, Joyce Ober, Jason Smith, Betty Stout, Bonnie Wright, Brenda Wright

## Family News

**CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING** will be held Thursday, November 12 at 7:00 PM here at the church. If you are a church member or regular attender, please plan to attend this important meeting in the life of our church. The agenda will include approving next year's budget and proposed changes to church polity as well as confirming church leadership for the new year. Please pick up an informational packet on the narthex table to read before the meeting. You can also read the proposed changes to the church polity on the church website ([www.hempfieldcob.org](http://www.hempfieldcob.org)). If you have internet access, please view the documents online so that we can conserve paper and ink resources.

### **THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE**

*Wednesday November 25, 7:00 PM @ Hempfield COB*

East Petersburg Mennonite Church will join us for a special service on Thanksgiving Eve. Bring your whole family and prepare for the Thanksgiving Holiday as we enjoy singing, special music from the combined choirs of both churches and a brief meditation by Pastor Jeff McLain from East Petersburg Mennonite. We will collect non-perishable food items for the food bank.

**EPACC GRAND OPENING Friday Nov 20 7am - 10pm.** Come on out to EPACC and check in on our progress, learn more about our programs, meet our instructors, sample some food, listen to some music and hang out in the cafe! The opening coincides with the annual Extraordinary Give, so there will be opportunities to donate online during your visit.

**SODA CANS FOR SERVICE DOGS**—thank you to everyone who has contributed soda cans for the Service Dogs Program at United Disabilities Services (UDS) over the last several years. Your contributions have made a difference! However, UDS has decided to stop collecting soda cans and today is the last day soda cans will be accepted here at HCOB. Thank you again for your faithfulness! --Amy Smith

**CAN YOU BAKE CHRISTMAS COOKIES?** Please consider baking cookies and bring them to the church kitchen November 29- December 2. Mark them “for Brethren Village.” Label the kinds of cookies and if they contain peanut butter or nuts. Some diabetic varieties would be appreciated. Each congregation is asked to bring 12 full batches of cookies in disposable containers, if possible. All cookies are appreciated, but the Christmas varieties sell well. PLEASE SIGN UP AT TABLE IN NARTHEX.

## Family News

**THE EASTLAND ALPACA 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE** Nov 14 10am-4pm. Nov 8, 15 12pm-4pm; **Place:** Zurin Alpaca Farm, 2089 Risser Mill Rd, Mt Joy, PA 17552.

Come to the Zurin Farm to see alpacas, see WJTL Kids Cookie Break (Nov 7), and support our Youth Mission's Fund. We have a sign up in the Narthex for baked goods, hot dog buns, hot chocolate/coffee as well as time to work at the tables. This year we will be raising money to fund our international missions trip. We have applications in at YWAM in Haiti and Roblealto, Costa Rica. Please contact Pastor Doug or sign up to participate. This event helps us be the hands and feet of Jesus in different areas of our community – here and abroad – your participation *now* allows time of growth, mission and community later!

### ATTENTION ALL STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS WHO WORK WITH OUR CHILDREN AND OUR YOUTH!

**November 14th** is the final training for the Safe Church program and anyone who is volunteering with children or with youth is asked to attend. It will run from **8:30AM to 12:30PM**. It will take place at Highland Presbyterian Church. This training will make you up to date with any changes in our policy as well as changes that have happened state wide. One change is that *you would all be considered mandated reporters* for any abuse you might come across. This training will teach you how to make these reports and what steps to take. Anyone could be in this situation if they are going to be working with children or youth, so it is *essential* to learn the process. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please sign-up ASAP. Thanks!

**POINSETTIA SALES**—The Worship Team invites you to help us decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas with a poinsettia tree. We will be selling Poinsettias on November 15, 22 & 29 in the narthex. You may choose red, white or pink marble Poinsettias for \$5 each. You can pick up your poinsettias after the Christmas Eve service or if you are not available Christmas Eve, you can pick it up after the 12/20 service.

**ONGOING FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**—Cereal, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, tuna & other canned meats, macaroni & cheese, canned fruits, vegetables, juice. Please continue to donate grocery bags.

**BRETHREN VILLAGE CHRISTMAS COOKIES AND CRAFT BAZAAR SALE** Friday, December 4 9:00-4:00 at Brethren Village Wolfe Auditorium. Cookies, crafts, and food. Cookies at \$4.00 per pound. It is sponsored by the Brethren Village Auxiliary.

## This Week @ HCOB

<b>TODAY</b>	11:30 A.M. 12:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M.	Free Blood Pressure Checks Eastland Alpaca Youth Fundraiser Youth Cell Group
<b>MONDAY</b>	7:00 P.M.	Stewards of Property
<b>TUESDAY</b>	9:00 A.M. 12:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Sewing Circle Silver Singles Fellowship & Hospitality Team Worship Team
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Ladies Prayer Breakfast Sewing Circle Praise Band Practice Choir Rehearsal
<b>THURSDAY</b>	7:00 P.M.	Congregational Gathering
<b>SATURDAY</b>	8:30 A.M. 10:00 A.M.	Safe Church Training Eastland Alpaca Youth Fundraiser
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M.  12:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M. 6:30 P.M.	Traditional Service Sunday School Blended Worship Pastor Geoff Davis Preaching “Tired and Troubled” Matthew 11:28-30 Youth Alpaca Fundraiser Youth Cell Group Young Families Fellowship

## Upcoming Events

**November 20**—EPACC Grand Opening

**November 25**—Thanksgiving Eve Service

**November 26 & 27**—Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving

## HCOB Youth

- ★ **Sundays, 6:30 PM**—Youth Cell Group
- ★ **Saturday, November 14**—10:00-4:00 PM; Fundraiser at Eastland Alpacas
- ★ **Sundays, November 8 & 15**—12:00-4:00 PM; Fundraiser at Eastland Alpacas

## Worship Today

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Earth and ALL Stars  
Aughton  
Prelude in B Minor  
Children of the Heavenly Father

setting by D. Angerman  
Jacke C. Goode  
Frederic Chopin  
Robert Elmore

Organist/Pianist—June Lykens Lantz

Preacher—Pastor Kent Rice

Sound Techs—Matt Markey & Rich Bushong

Video Tech—Dave Bendit

Worship Leader—Pete Kontra

Praise Band Leader—Shelley Kontra

### SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 1:3-14

### \*PRAISE SONGS

Praise Band

*Children ages 3 years old-5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to Kids Church*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### VIDEO

### MORNING PRAYER

### OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought

Offertory—O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go!

Peace/Hustad

*Visitors, please complete the welcome card in your pew and place it in the offering plate.*

### GREETING EACH OTHER

### \*HYMN

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

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### SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 1:20-22

### MESSAGE

Walk In It

### \*PRAISE SONG

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

Majestic Largo

E.J. Lorenz

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

**THE FLOWERS** are presented by the Steele Family in memory of Fred and to the honor and glory of God.

**YOU ARE INVITED!** To join the choir throughout the Advent and Christmas season, that is. While weekly rehearsals don't always fit into our busy schedules, if you'd like to be a part of our Sanctuary Choir for this season of promise, we'd love to have you! Rehearsals for our community Thanksgiving Eve service have already begun on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM and Advent/Christmas music rehearsals will begin soon. Feel free to contact Laura Meiser with questions. Hope to see you there!

### **THANK YOU FROM FATHER OF NIGERIAN GIRL WE HELPED**

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. On behalf of my family I send our warm regards to all of you. The Director of Finance informed me about the money after I returned from relief exercise in Mussa DCC. This evening when I opened my mail to send you my acknowledgment, I found your mail. Evelyn is currently a student at a bright secondary school in Numan. I will send you her picture neatly dressed in her school uniform when I visited her. Her next school session is until January 2016. We thanked God even before the arrival of your money that will pay for her book fees which I have struggled to settle. Thank you and thank you once more.

Yours in Christ, Dr. Abel Dzarmah

**CONGRATULATIONS TO JODI ESHLEMAN** and Joshua Lejeune who were married yesterday in Phoenixville, Pa. Jodi is the daughter of Jim and Claire Eshleman.

**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE** in our church family for your cards, prayers, hugs and words of encouragement through the loss of my father Don Moore. Your support has been wonderful through a very difficult loss. --Kim and Jim Stauffer

# OPERATION: *Christmas Blessing*

## Purpose

Partner with HCOB to be a blessing to others this Christmas.



## Potential

- ♥ The Matthew 25 Thrift Shop has generously donated \$1,000 to HCOB.
- ♥ We challenge you to grow that “seed money” into a bountiful harvest to share with our community and world.
- ♥ How far will \$1000 go? \$2000? More?

## Process

- ♥ Through November 22, you can “grow our seed” by placing your donations in specially marked envelopes available on the narthex table.
- ♥ We will count up the final “harvest,” and on November 29 a giving tree will “grow” in the narthex. On the tree will be vouchers that anyone can redeem for \$100 portions of the “harvest.” All we ask is that you give the \$100 to bless someone who is in need during the Christmas season. Then on the other side of the voucher, describe in words, take a picture, etc. to show how others were blessed with the \$100. Bring this back to church by Christmas Eve and place it on the tree so we can see how many different ways we as a congregation have blessed others. No names, please!!!
- ♥ Ways to Bless... Buy groceries for a family in need, leave a Christmas tree on someone’s door step, buy hats and gloves and distribute them to those in need, place the money in a Salvation Army bucket, give gifts to a family in need this season, donate to a non-profit. The options are endless!!!!

## Hempfield Church of the Brethren Financial / Ministry Statement January 1 through October 31, 2015 Year-to-Date Actuals vs. Budget\*

*"But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."* Matt. 6:20-21

	Actual Jan-Oct 2015	Budget* Jan-Oct 2015	Actual Under/(Over) Budget
Beginning Balance 1/1/15	\$15,270		
<b>Income</b>			
General Fund Donations	397,419		
Interest	\$4		
Misc Income (Staples Rewards)	\$9		
Total Income	\$412,702		
<b>Expenses</b>			
Finance	\$41,989	42,589	\$601
Evangelism Team	\$86,126	87,315	\$1,189
Education Team	\$14,480	24,292	\$9,811
Deacons	\$560	5,083	\$4,523
Worship Team	\$19,921	25,584	\$5,664
Leadership	\$176,598	181,237	\$4,639
Stewards of Property	\$42,216	65,735	\$23,519
Social Service Team	\$15,611	23,583	\$7,972
Fellowship & Hospitality	\$2,573	4,458	\$1,885
Total Expenses	\$400,074	\$459,878	\$59,803
2015 Actual % of Budget	87.0%		
Checking Account as of 10/31/15	\$12,628		
<b>Outreach is paid through October 15, 2015</b>			
	2015	2014	\$ Increase
General Fund Donations 1/1 to 10/31	397,419	391,531	\$5,888
2015 Donations % of 2014	101.5%		

\*Budget shown is 10/12's of the annual budget, i.e., assumes the budget is spread evenly throughout the year.