

## Church Staff

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

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

*Please submit bulletin information to Amy by Wednesday noon.*

## HCOB Family Facts

### Attendance for August 6, 2017

Traditional Service: 35

Blended Service: 165

### Giving for August 6, 2017

General Offering: \$8,845.42

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$6,370

*Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,914*

August 13, 2017

One

8:00 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.
- ✚ 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:** Pete & Shelley Kontra
- ✚ **Teams:** Education
- ✚ **Ministries and Specials:** Youth, TNT, EPACC
- ✚ **That They May Be One:** Unity Thro Speaking the Truth (Eph. 4:25)
- ✚ **Individuals with Specific Needs:** Mark Beach, Geoff Davis, Jim & Wilda Drake, The Houck Family, Frank & June Lantz, Cindy Lapp, Mary Lapp, Carl Lehman, Gladys Metzler, Pearl Miller, Jim Musser, Cheryl Myers, Butch Nachbar, Deb Nauman, Bob & Joyce Ober, Nate Polonchak, Dougie Shuman, Gerry Shuman, The Family of Bill Walters, Brenda Wright, Carrie Ziegler, Linda Ziegler

## Family News

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUMMER.** We will be having a seven week series trying to understand different faith backgrounds as selected by members in the congregation, and how we can enter into conversations about Christ with those of different understanding. We will meet in the choir room during the Sunday School hour-9AM. ALL are welcome. Below is the rest of the summer schedule.

- Aug 13 - Muslim - Jonathan Bornman from Eastern Mennonite Mission's Christian/Muslim Relations Team
- Aug 20 - Culmination of classes and Wrap-up
- Aug. 27 - Judaism, Sarah & Phil Bollinger, Old Testament professors at Evangelical Seminary

**ALL-CHURCH RETREAT CANCELLED--**We will not be having an all-church retreat this year, but hope to continue the tradition next year (2018) with a fun and relaxing retreat. Please contact anyone on the Leadership Team with any questions. Thank you for your understanding.

**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.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**—Cereal, crunchy peanut butter, jelly, pasta, spaghetti sauce, brown rice, tuna & other canned meats, macaroni & cheese, canned fruits, vegetables, juice, canned tomatoes (14-16 oz), Chicken noodle soup (10 ½ oz.), Chicken Rice soup (10 ½ oz.). Egg cartons are no longer needed. Please continue to donate grocery bags.

### CHURCH PICNIC!!!! SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10th.

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! Details for picnic are below. **See you there!!!!**

- ✓ We will provide chicken, baked beans, chips, drinks, plates, utensils and cups.
- ✓ Families whose last names start with A-L to bring dessert to serve **12-15 people**.
- ✓ Families with last names from M-Z to bring salad, fresh fruit or relish to serve **12-15 people**.
- ✓ No serving utensils are needed.
- ✓ Please drop off your food in the kitchen BEFORE the 10:15 service.
- ✓ We will serve the food from the Fellowship Hall.
- ✓ 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.

**Karen will provide activities for the kids and Mr. Baloony-the clown, will be joining us!!!**

## Family News

**COBYS BIKE & HIKE**—Take a walk, ride a bike, or go on a cycle ride (and eat ice cream) to benefit the ministries of COBYS Family Services. Sunday, September 10, at Lititz Church of the Brethren. Learn more at [www.cobys.org](http://www.cobys.org).

**COBYS SILENT AUCTION**—COBYS Family Services is seeking donations for the Silent Auction at the September 10 Bike & Hike event. Practical items and experiences, such as gift cards to attractions and restaurants, vacation home rentals, and more, sell especially well. Contact Don Fitzkee at 717-656-6580 or [don@cobys.org](mailto:don@cobys.org) if you have something to donate. No used items.

**SPONSOR JAMES WENGER FOR COBYS BIKE & HIKE** --I will be riding my bike for 25 miles in the COBYS Bike and Hike on September 10 again this year. If you would like to help raise money for COBYS by sponsoring me, I will be in the narthex every Sunday from now until September 10. Thank you to everyone who gives. --James Wenger

**THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE WRAP-UP DVD** is available in the church library if anyone would like to borrow it to watch.

**BRETHREN VILLAGE WHEELCHAIR WALKS** are scheduled for Thursdays August 24, and September 28 from 10:00 AM-11:30 AM. Please contact Gerrie Hurst (569-3047) or Lois Killian (560-9429) if you can help. The residents of the Village thank you!

**BLESS WATER STREET MINISTRIES WITH YOUR GARDEN!** Bring your August excess produce to church on Sunday and Pastor Kent will take it to Water Street Monday morning. Please leave your items on the table in the gym. Thanks!

**SPIRITUAL GIFTS SEMINAR**—Saturday, September 16, 8:15 AM-3:30 PM—Vicki Smith will lead our congregation and ministers from other district churches in a seminar designed to help you understand and use the spiritual gifts God has given to you. The objectives of this seminar are:

- To learn more about how you are God-wired
- To explore your personal tendencies and leadership style
- To discover how others are made and function in their own unique way
- To appreciate gifting differences, moving from good or bad to God-purposed
- To embrace and engage the fullness of the Body of Christ as we work together for God's glory and to build His Kingdom.

The cost for the seminar is \$25 for Hempfield COB members and includes lunch and a workbook. For more information and to register go to the following link <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=qsqizkxab&oeidk=a07eebiw4i48e0e54c3>. Or contact Krista Dickson in the Atlantic District Office at 717-367-4730 or [kdickson@ane-cob.org](mailto:kdickson@ane-cob.org).

## This Week @ HCOB

<b>TODAY</b>	6:30 P.M.	Youth Cell Group
<b>SUN. – SUN.</b>	Pastor Pete on Vacation	
<b>MONDAY</b>	4:30 P.M.	Friendship Community Picnic
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	HERALD DEADLINE	
	6:00 A.M.	Ladies Prayer Breakfast
	6:30 P.M.	Praise Band Practice
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00 A.M.	Traditional Service
	9:00 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:15 A.M.	Blended Service
	6:30 P.M.	Youth Cell Group

## Upcoming Events

**September 4**—Church Office Closed for Labor Day

**September 7**—Prayer Experience

**September 8**—WORDD Worship

**September 10**—2-Cent-A-Meal Offering

**September 10**—Rally Day & Church Picnic

**September 16**—Spiritual Gifts Seminar

## Youth News

★ **Today, 6:30 PM**—Youth Cell Group @ the church

## Worship Today

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC                      Janelle Witter, Ben Johnson, Bob Johnson  
Lord, You Give the Great Commission  
Seek Ye First  
Above All Else

Preacher—Pastor Doug Hinton; Worship Leader—Jason Hoffman  
Pianist—Jen Hinton; Sound Techs—Matt Markey & Rich Bushong  
Video Tech—Dave Bendit; Praise Band Leader—Kent Rice

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP                      Psalm 150

\*PRAISE SONGS  
Holy, Holy, Holy  
Holy Spirit

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

SCRIPTURE                                  John 12:44-50

### MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE                                  Colossians 1:13-23

### OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought

Offertory— Broken Vessels                      Janelle Witter, Bob Johnson

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

HYMN    I Love to Tell the Story                                  398

SCRIPTURE                                  2 Corinthians 5:16-6:2

MESSAGE                                  Ministry of Reconciliation

\*HYMN    Wonderful Grace of Jesus                                  150

### \*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE                                  Columbian Harmony

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

**PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD!** Next Sunday, **Pastor Geoff Davis will be preaching on John 13:34-35; 1 John 4:7-21.** Please read and prayerfully study this passage this week as we prepare to worship together. More information on the sermon topic can be found at our online church calendar ([www.hempfieldcob.org](http://www.hempfieldcob.org)) when you click on the Sunday service for next week.

**THE FLOWERS** today are presented by:

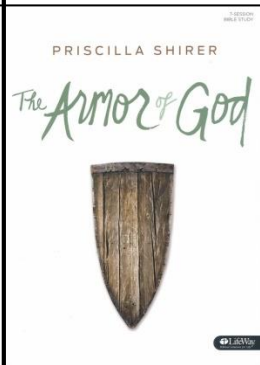
- Ed & Janice Haldeman in celebration of their 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary
- Alan & Jen Houck in memory of Bill Houck, beloved father and Pap-Pap

**EXCITING OPPORTUNITY!!!** --Kids' Church is in need of at least **one new teacher and an assistant** to cover our classes beginning this fall. You would only have to teach or assist once a month, September through May. It is with super fun 4th and 5th graders!!! Teaching material is easy to use and the kids are a huge blessing. If you would like to be the helper, you just need to show up! Please prayerfully consider this exciting opportunity to minister to our kids (as they minister to you!) Contact Karen Rice, Children's Ministry Coordinator, if you are interested ([karen@hempfieldcob.org](mailto:karen@hempfieldcob.org) or 717-413-1137) OR put a note in Karen's box in the office.

**THE CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM NOVEMBER 9 TO NOVEMBER 16.**

**PASTOR PETE IS ON VACATION THIS WEEK.** Please contact Pastor Doug or Pastor Kent if you have any pastoral needs. Pray for a good time of refreshment and relaxation for the Kontra family.

## Ladies Bible Study



The Thursday morning Ladies Bible Study will be using the 7-session DVD along with the book, *The Armor of God*, Bible Study Book by Priscilla Shirer for our 2017 Fall – Winter Session.

An online option led by Laura Meiser is available.

All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you — unseen, unheard, yet felt throughout every aspect of your life. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your

relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny. But his battle plan depends on catching you unaware and unarmed. If you're tired of being pushed around and caught with your guard down, this study is for you. The Enemy always fails miserably when he meets a woman dressed for the occasion. *The Armor of God*, more than merely a biblical description of the believer's inventory, is an action plan for putting it on and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory. (7 Sessions)

### Features:

- Bible Study Book includes 6 weeks of homework that can be completed between 7 group sessions
- Includes leader helps and perforated prayer cards that can be used to develop a prayer strategy

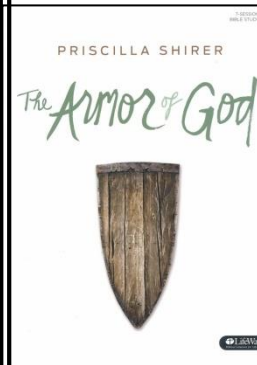
### Benefits:

- Equip women to get serious, specific, and strategic in their discipline of prayer
- Turn challenges and discouragement into opportunities for prayer
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- Develop and implement practical, purposeful prayer strategies
- Appropriate for new or inexperienced Bible study students as well as those well-versed in Scriptures

The Bible Study meets at Ruth Johnson's home 2014 Miller Road in East Petersburg. Our first session will be Thursday September 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 9AM. We will meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday of September, October and November from 9AM to 11AM except for November when we will also meet the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact Jamie Bushong (664-4395) before 8PM; email [jvb@dejazzd.com](mailto:jvb@dejazzd.com) or text 717-405-9471 by **August 20th** if you are able to join us and would like to have a book. Approximate cost of the book is \$16.00.

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**In July**, the pantry served 143 families which included 200 children, 326 adults, and 77 seniors for a total of 603 people served. In addition to the clients who visit the pantry to select their food items, deliveries are made to senior citizens, and families who are unable to get to the pantry due to physical disabilities, or lack of transportation. Currently, the Hempfield Area Food Pantry has over 300 families registered, with the majority residing in the Hempfield School District who are eligible to receive food assistance weekly.

The success of this outreach to the Hempfield area is a total community volunteer effort with many local civic/service/social organizations, neighborhood groups, businesses, Hempfield school students and staff, private individuals, boy/girl scouts, eighteen area churches, postal employees, retirement communities, Hempfield REC/playground, and many volunteers!

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