

Church Staff

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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 September 17, 2017

Traditional Service: 43

Blended Service: 169

Giving for September 17, 2017

General Offering: \$6,733.28

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$6,625

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

September 24, 2017

One

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.
- ✚ Nursery (ages 0-2) and “Kids Church” (3 years-5th 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

Today's Prayer Requests

- ✚ **Staff:** Laura & Darren Meiser
- ✚ **Teams:** Outreach
- ✚ **Ministries and Specials:** Young Adults, Love Feast, Retirees
- ✚ **That They May Be One:** Unity Thro the Peace of Christ (Col. 3:15-17)
- ✚ **Individuals with Specific Needs:** Jim & Wilda Drake, Landis Kreider, Frank & June Lantz, Cindy Lapp, Mary Lapp, Carl Lehman, Edith Martin, Jeanette Martin, Family of Pearl Miller, Cheryl Myers, Deanna Myers, Deb Nauman, Bob & Joyce Ober, Nate Polonchak, Brenda Wright, Carrie Ziegler, Linda Ziegler

Family News

TO HELP CELEBRATE TODAY'S PEACE POLE DEDICATION, you are invited to add your finger print to the peace dove project that will be located on a table in the Narthex before and after services.

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.

BRETHREN VILLAGE WHEELCHAIR WALK is scheduled for Thursday 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!

FAMILIES WITH KIDS IN K-12!! Each child at HCOB in grades K-12 is paired with an adult to be their Prayer Buddy. This adult will keep in contact with you and your child to see how he/she can best lift up your child in prayer. If you don't already know who your child's Prayer Buddy is, you will be receiving that information in the very near future. **Sunday, October 1st, following the 10:15 service, we will be having a carry-in meal and fun games for prayer buddies** (adults and kids) and their families so that you can get to know each other!!!

What to bring? If your last name begins with **A through M**, bring along a dish to share. If your name begins with **N through Z**, bring along a dessert to share. (We will provide the beverages!)

What to expect? FUN!!! We will enjoy a yummy meal together and then we will have some fun (could be messy!) fall games. This will be a great chance to get to know your Prayer Buddies and have some laughs. Can't wait to see each and every one of you there!!! Blessings! Karen Rice

BAPTISM TODAY! Please join us today at 4pm, at Bill Longenecker's pond (1267 Risser Mill Road, Mount Joy) for the baptism of Jordan Fisher. Help us welcome Jordan into the body of Christ!

NEEDED: NEW & GENTLY USED SHEETS. Our quilting ministry needs new and gently used sheets that are at least 50% cotton to use for backing for quilts. If you can donate any of these, please bring them to church and put them in the sewing room (1st door of the choir room). Thank you!

Family News

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF. Today we will be collecting a special offering for a donation to Brethren Disaster Relief as they minister to families affected by Hurricane Harvey. Special offering envelopes are provided in your bulletin.

SCHEDULE YOUR PHOTO SESSION FOR THE NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY! Photographs will be taken October 8-10 and 17-18, and here are three ways you can sign up:

1. On the church FB page (<https://www.facebook.com/hempcob/>). There you'll find a link to create an account and book a session online.
2. On Sunday mornings until October 1, you can book a session at the registration tables in the narthex from 9-10 AM and after the 10:15 service.
3. Feel free to call Laura Meiser (717-689-0465) and she can book a session for you personally.

Looking forward to your participation in this special event!

COLLEGE STUDENT AND MILITARY PERSONNEL CONTACT INFORMATION NEEDED BY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST. If you know of any HCOB family members who are in college or the military, we would like to have their address to send them notes of encouragement and to list them in the annual church directory. Please complete the form in the tray labeled "College & Military Addresses" in the outer office, or call Doris Wright at 898-8296.

FEELING CALLED TO BE A PRAYER BUDDY? The children of our church are a huge blessing to us. We have committed to praying over them throughout the year. We have adult Prayer Buddies assigned to each of our children, beginning in Kindergarten and continuing through high school. Feel called to lift up one of our children in prayer? Please contact Karen Rice if you are interested in signing up! karen@hempfieldcob.org or 717-413-1137 (If you are already assigned one of our children, it is not necessary to sign-up again.) Thank you so much! --Karen Rice, Children's Ministry Coordinator

ANNUAL DISTRICT WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL RETREAT—
Wednesday, October 18, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM at Conestoga Church of the Brethren. Marie Monville will speak on "The Life of Joseph—When My Dreams Don't Work Out Like I Thought" Lunch will be provided for all who register by October 11th. Please register by contacting Donna Riehl (717-768-7072 or riehlds71@frontiernet.net). No child care will be provided. A flyer with more details is on the bulletin board in the outer office. If you have any questions or want help to RSVP, please contact Ruth Johnson (569-2430) by October 8.

This Week @ HCOB

TODAY	11:30 A.M. 4:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M.	Peace Pole Dedication Jordan Fisher's Baptism Youth Cell Group
TUESDAY	7:00 P.M.	Leadership Team
WEDNESDAY	6:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Ladies Prayer Breakfast Quilting Group Praise Band Practice Choir Rehearsal
SUNDAY	8:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M. 11:30 A.M. 12:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M.	Traditional Service Sunday School Blended Service Special Congregational Gathering Prayer Buddy Fun Meal Youth Cell Group

Upcoming Events

October 3, 10, 16—Church Family Conversations
October 5—Prayer Experience
October 6—WORDD Worship
October 7—ANE District Conference
October 8, 9, 17, 18—Photo Directory Sessions

Youth News

- ★ **Today, 4:00 PM**—Jordan Fisher's Baptism
- ★ **Today, 6:30 PM**—Youth Cell Group @ the church
- ★ **Oct 27-29**—Jr. High District Retreat
- ★ **Nov 4, 5, 11, 12**—Alpaca Youth Fundraiser
- ★ **Nov 17-19**—Sr. High Mission Trip to Washington D.C.

Our Vision: Firmly rooted and living deeply in the character of Christ to become a healthier church that powerfully shares Christ with the world.

Worship Today

OPENING SONG As I Went Down in the River to Pray

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GRATEFUL 4

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SONGS Grateful 4

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

MORNING PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought

Offertory—The Rose

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

SCRIPTURE Luke 5:1-11

MESSAGE From Now On

SONG Fishers of Men Grateful 4

*HYMN For the Beauty of the Earth 89

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Postlude in B flat Davis

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

Preacher—Pastor Pete Kontra

Sound Techs—Matt Markey & Rich Bushong

Video Tech—Dave Bendit

Acolyte—Colton Ebersole

Grateful 4 Quartet—Joseph Helfrich, Carl Jones,
Shelley Kontra, Tom Menke

THE FLOWERS ARE PRESENTED by Roger & Gladys Ulmer to the honor and glory of God, in thankfulness for the church, church family, friends and family for their love, support and prayers and in honor of their 65th wedding anniversary.

PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD! Next Sunday, **Pastor Doug Hinton will be preaching on Acts 28:30-31.** 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) when you click on the Sunday service for next week.

OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS are with Ned & Shirley Harms as they grieve the death of Shirley's mother, Pearl Miller, on September 5, 2017.

CHURCH FAMILY CONVERSATIONS

Please plan on attending one of the upcoming Church Family Conversations, being held on Tuesday **October 3**, Tuesday **October 10**, and Monday **October 16**.

With Pastor Pete accepting the call as District Executive, these sessions take on added importance in providing valuable congregational information regarding pastoral leadership. In addition, these sessions will provide input to the Leadership Team in developing supported ministries and budgets for the upcoming year.

All interested members of the church family are invited to come and discuss their views on church priorities, and provide feedback to the Leadership Team regarding its service to the congregation, including what is working well and where improvements are possible. In addition, discussion will be open regarding our congregational cares and concerns along with barriers and enablers to HCOB meeting our goals.

All sessions will be held from **6:00PM to 8:00PM** at the Church. Pastor Geoff Davis will be leading the discussions, bringing his longtime experience and skill as a facilitator to keep the discussion lively, fun, and on-track.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING

There will be a Special Congregational Gathering Sunday October 1, immediately following the 10:15AM service regarding the appointing of a Senior Pastor Search Committee.

**CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES
FOR ROMANIA!**

**A MINISTRY OF
MY BROTHER'S KEEPER**

**Reach Beyond Your World
Again This Christmas**

We are privileged to serve six locations

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**Recipe for Serving Christmas Joy
In Romania!**

- † Start with prayer and excitement
- † Get others involved
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- ✚ **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 15-30. 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:

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For More Information:

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