

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

## HCOB Family Facts

### Attendance for September 24, 2017

Traditional Service: 41

Blended Service: 160

### Giving for September 24, 2017

General Offering: \$8,407

Building Fund Year-To-Date: \$7,245

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

October 1, 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-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:** Deacons & Deaconesses
- ✚ **Ministries and Specials:** Nursery, VBS
- ✚ **That They May Be One:** Unity Thro Diversity (Romans 12:3-8)
- ✚ **Individuals with Specific Needs:** Jim & Wilda Drake, Frank & June Lantz, Cindy Lapp, Mary Lapp, Carl Lehman, 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

**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!

**YOUNG ADULTS/FAMILIES SMALL GROUP** will attend the congressional conversation on October 3 from 6-8. Jen and Doug will provide childcare in the nursery. The group will meet one other time in the month: October 17 from 6-8:15. Pizza at 6. All are welcome. Currently in NT E100 study and meet in upstairs Youth Room.

**GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER?** Save the date-October 29 for our next "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" sponsored by the Create a Stronger HCOB Community Committee. Please consider being a host or a guest. Sign-ups will begin October 15 and 22 in the Narthex.

**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.

**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 comforters. If you can donate any, please bring them to church and put them in the sewing room (1<sup>st</sup> door of the choir room). Thank you!

**ANNUAL BROTHERS VILLAGE AUXILIARY SPONSORSHIP DRIVE**- Suggested Sponsorship levels are \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 and other. Thank you for your response that will be greatly appreciated, as it helps with the many programs that the Auxiliary provides for the Village. Look for your representatives in the narthex October 8, 15, and 22. Please review the flyer in today's bulletin. Thank you. -Gerrie Hurst and Lois Killian

**CHURCH HOSPITALITY WORKSHOP**--The Atlantic Northeast District is hosting a Hospitality workshop which will be held at Florin COB on Saturday Oct., 28, 2017 at 9:00-11:30 am. The workshop is to guide greeters, ushers and others to have a welcoming spirit to extend the church's evangelism ministry. Registration will be paid by the Hospitality Team. If you would like to attend please contact Mary Lou Ruth by Oct. 10th. [gmlruth@gmail.com](mailto:gmlruth@gmail.com) or 717-682-6488.

**COLLEGE STUDENT AND MILITARY PERSONNEL CONTACT INFORMATION NEEDED BY TODAY.** 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.

## Family News

### SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL GATHERING TODAY

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

### 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. **This morning is the last morning** to 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!

**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 11<sup>th</sup>. Please register by contacting Donna Riehl (717-768-7072 or [riehlds71@frontiernet.net](mailto: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.

### UPDATE ON THE QUILT SALE AT THE 2017 DISASTER RELIEF

**AUCTION:** Hempfield's 14 quilts, lovingly created and pieced by Arlene Slotter, brought a total of \$4,735 for the Brethren auction this year. Considering that there were 101 quilts in all, and the total donation amount for the quilts was \$35,185, Hempfield made a terrific contribution! We are incredibly fortunate to have such a talented seamstress/quilter in Arlene, and we thank her for making the 14 quilts and either hand- or machine-quilting ten of them, and providing the quilting group with four others for them to hand quilt on Wednesday mornings. To God be the glory!

**THANK YOU** to everyone who gave generously to our church's Hurricane Disaster Relief Offering over the past several Sundays. Together we raised \$6,398! According to the Brethren Disaster Ministries, funds are already being sent for emergency relief efforts in Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico due to the massive hurricanes, Harvey, Irma and Maria.

**MANY THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS** who participated in the Wheelchair Walks and Birthday Party at the Brethren Village this year. These events really helped to enrich the lives of the residents. We are looking forward to our current Brethren Village Auxiliary Sponsorship Drive. -Gerrie Hurst and Lois Killian

## This Week @ HCOB

<b>TODAY</b>	11:30 A.M. 12:00 P.M. 4:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M.	Special Congregational Gathering Prayer Buddy Meal Jordan Fisher's Baptism Youth Cell Group
<b>MONDAY</b>	7:30 P.M.	Education Team
<b>TUESDAY</b>	6:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Church Family Conversations Deacons Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	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
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:00 A.M. 7:00 P.M.	Ladies Bible Study Prayer Experience
<b>FRIDAY</b>	6:45 P.M.	WORDD Worship
<b>SATURDAY</b>		ANE District Conference
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M. 6:30 P.M.	Traditional Service Sunday School Blended Service Youth Cell Group

## Upcoming Events

**October 10, 16**—Church Family Conversations  
**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.

## Worship Today

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Solemn Worship  
Meditation  
Chanson  
Toccata on “O Worship the King”

Charles Demorest  
William Stickles  
Robert Schumann  
Craig A. Penfield

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Acts 9:10-16

### \*PRAISE SONGS

Your Mercy  
Lead Me to The Cross  
*Children ages 3 years old-5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to Kids Church*

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 11:16-33

### OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Thought  
Offertory—More Love to Thee, O Christ William H. Doane  
*Visitors, please complete the welcome card in your pew and place it in the offering plate.*

### SANCTUARY CHOIR

This One Thing I Ask of the Lord  
It Is Well With My Soul

GLOBAL PRAYER VIDEO Israel

### MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Acts 28:30-31

MESSAGE Unfinished and Unhindered

### BREAD AND CUP COMMUNION

Affirmations

*“The Bread which we break is the communion of the Body of Christ”*

*“The Cup which we bless is the communion of the Blood of Christ”*

All Christians are invited to participate in communion.

Please hold the elements so that we may partake of them in unison.

\*HYMN Great Is Thy Faithfulness

### \*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Aria Dietrich Buxtehude  
*\*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Preacher—Pastor Doug Hinton; Worship Leader—Kent Rice  
Pianist/Organist—June Lykens Lantz  
Sanctuary Choir Director—Laura Meiser  
Sound Techs—Blaine Garber & Rich Bushong; Video Tech—Doug Howard  
Praise Band Leader—Jen Hinton

**THE FLOWERS** are provided by Kent & Karen Rice to the honor and glory of God and in celebration of their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD!** Next Sunday, **Pastor Pete Kontra will be preaching on I Timothy 1:12-17.** 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.

**THANK YOU** to my church family for all the cards and prayers during my recovery.  
—Landis Kreider

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Anne (Eshleman) and Ian Conlon on the birth of their son, Kieran James, born September 16. The proud grandparents are Jim & Claire Eshleman.

### CHURCH FAMILY CONVERSATIONS

Please plan on attending one of the upcoming Church Family Conversations, being held on Tuesdays **October 3 & 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.

**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**

Cighid Orphanage & Oradea Community  
Stroiesti Village & Dorohoi Orphanage  
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**Recipe for Serving Christmas Joy  
In Romania!**

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- † 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 (if your box is over 3.5 lbs add \$2/lb)
  - † Bring to church and leave it in the narthex no later than **October 8<sup>th</sup>**.

**Thank you for giving this Christmas!**

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*(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 15-30. 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.

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