

Quiet Time with Jesus

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." **MARK 6:30-31**

When the youth go on Winter Retreat, every year we have an hour of time called *Quiet Time with Jesus*. They take those sixty minutes to pray, read Scripture, and be still. It's a time away from technology and busyness, apart from friends and fun, a time to just be still.....and know.....and listen to the Good Shepherd. Some youth may initially push back against being still for an hour to *just* read...and pray...and listen. But time and again, when we reflect at the end of the weekend, *Quiet Time with Jesus* is brought up as a high point of the weekend.

We find the passage above in Mark 6, following the twelve being sent out by Jesus and John the Baptist's death. The disciples report back to Jesus all they had done and He calls them to come and rest. They get into a boat to cross the Sea of Galilee, but when they arrive on the other side, there are 5,000+ people waiting for them to teach and heal as they had done before. Moved with compassion, Jesus has them sit down and feeds them after a blessing, giving the food to the disciples to hand out to the masses. Maybe they ate and rested with the masses. They got back into the boat afterwards and Jesus went away to pray on the mountain. In this passage, it seems like they found rest on the water. Jesus reunited with them in the boat after walking on water to their location.

Jesus called them to rest and be still. Yet, work continued to be done. Only after feeding the five thousand could the men rest. There are times it may feel like our call in Christ to be ministers of reconciliation is never done. Yet, we need to make time to rest and BE with Jesus. After BEing with Him, then and only then can we GO and DO. Psalm 37:7 says, "Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him." Psalm 46:10 states, "Be still and know that I am God." Jesus commanded above, "Come with me...and get some rest."

May we take some time in July to be still, rest, and have quiet time with Jesus that He may sustain the work of our hands, make our hearts alive in Him, and transform our minds in order to renew our lives through His Holy Spirit.

Your brother and fellow worker in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior,

Pastor Doug

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Youth News

By: Josh Fulmer, Youth Minister

As Pastor Geoff said on Father's Day Sunday, "God is a God of beginnings." Nothing is more fitting for me than this quote, as I find my new beginning here at Hempfield Church of the Brethren. With my new beginning comes a new beginning for the youth group: the 2019-2020 school year. For some, it is the beginning of their time in youth group (which I find relieving that I am not alone!), and for others, it may be the beginning of the end for their time in HCOB youth. Regardless of where we all are, each day is a new day to dedicate to the Lord.

I look to all the exciting things that my wife and I have planned for the year, as well as all the great events that were in place before us. There is not much going on in July, and the first half of August is similarly empty, until the last Sunday of the month, where we will hold our school-year kickoff during cell group. This night, I will unpack the year's curriculum for Sunday school and cell groups, which will last until the last Sunday in May.

I want to thank the entire body of believers here at HCOB for their warm hospitality that Gloria and I received over the past month. Nowhere before have we felt so welcomed! I specifically want to thank Pastor Doug for taking me under his wing and guiding me this past month in getting to know my new family better, Morgan Rice for her leadership prior to me arriving here at HCOB, as well as being willing and able to continue to help me and the teens after her brief break, and to all the members of the search committee for expressing to me their vision for the youth group and for the person to lead their teens.

Pray for Gloria and I as we look to move into the area and adapt to this new chapter in life; pray that we continue to pursue God and His plan for the teens, as well as HCOB as a whole. Of course, pray for the teens, as these young men and women are present members of the body who are still growing, yet are invaluable to HCOB as a whole. Pray that they stay safe and seek after God's guidance in their lives as the summer continues on towards the impending school year.

Soli Deo Gloria

July Ministry Schedules

NURSERY

July 7
July 14
July 21
July 28

Peggie Layman, Luisa Nivar
Carolyn Gingrich, Marg Zurin
Sue Brubaker, Sallie Hoppert
Betty Cox, Sarah Fisher



WORSHIP LEADERS—8:00

July 7
July 14
July 21
July 28

Jamie Bushong
Joel Kettering
Ray O'Boyle
Randy Ziegler

WORSHIP LEADERS—10:15



CHOIRS/SPECIAL MUSIC

July 7
July 14
July 21
July 28

BJ Haverstick (8:00 & 10:15)
Cari Gappa (10:15)
Kim Glass (8:00) & Geoff Davis (10:15)

VIDEO TECHNICIANS

Dave Bendit
Ben Johnson
Dave Bendit
Doug Howard



SOUND TECHNICIANS—8:00

July 7
July 14
July 21
July 28

Dick Caldwell & Rich Bushong
Jamie & Rich Bushong
Dave Schott
Jamie & Rich Bushong

SOUND TECHNICIANS—10:15

Blaine Garber & Rich Bushong
Matt Markey & Rich Bushong
Mitchell Barnes & Rich Bushong
Matt Markey & Rich Bushong



DEACON GREETERS

July 7
July 14
July 21
July 28

Bonnie Shuss
Millie Hoffman
Tom Connelly
Ruth Johnson

JNH GREETERS

Bruce, Bonnie, & Abby Wright
Jim & Sue Musser
Earl & Betty Zimmerman
Richard & Carolyn Gingrich



OFFERING TABULATORS

Jim Stauffer, Dwayne Hostetter,
Sue Hostetter

Messages in July

July 7



God's Kingdom Pattern: Infinitesimal to Magnitude

Mark 3:7 – 4:34 Psalm 20; 1 Samuel 15:34—16:13; 2 Corinthians 5:1-21

Del Kautz

What kind of person does God desire for use in his Kingdom? The parables in today's text provide a window for us to observe how God's Kingdom functions. Each parable shows us a very small beginning with exponential growth as a final product. So there is hope for all of us no matter how insignificant we may feel when standing in God's presence preparing to offer our talents, our gifts, and our life. God encourages us to take a step of faith and then let him do the rest of the work.

July 14



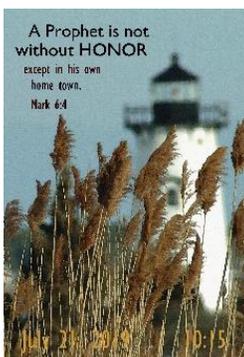
Interrupted Doing the Lord's Work

Mark 5:21-43

Pastor Doug Hinton

A temple official named Jairus asks Jesus to heal his daughter. While travels to his house, a woman touches the hem of Jesus' robe, power pours out of Him, and she is healed. Jesus stops to see who touched Him. Imagine going to serve one person for the Lord when another interrupts you...how would you respond? What would you do? How did Jesus respond – and how can we follow?

July 21



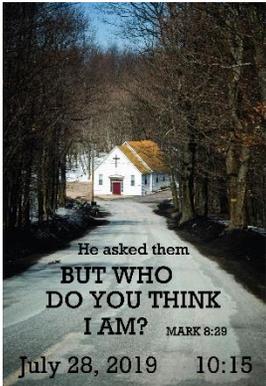
Faith & Doubt, Deliverance & Death

Mark 6:1-29

Pastor Doug Hinton

As we look at Jesus and His hometown, the disciples being sent out, and the story of John the Baptist with Herod, we see tension between faith and disbelief, deliverance and persecution. Can we truly believe that people can be transformed by Almighty God through the teachings of Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit? Can we hold to our convictions in the face of doubt or persecution? Can we call for repentance no matter who stands before us? Let's walk with these men and see what we can learn.

July 28



What More Proof Do You Need

Mark 6:30-8:30

Geoff Davis

In this exhausting, rapid-fire segment of Mark’s gospel, we see Jesus miraculously feed 5,000, and later, 4,000 people; walk on the water; calm the wind; call out the Pharisees and some teachers of the law; heal a Greek woman’s daughter; heal a deaf and mute man; and restore a blind man’s sight – all within a few days! He tries to get away for some “quiet” time, but his compassion for those in need outweighs his own needs. The disciples don’t fully understand what they’re first-hand witnesses to and Jesus lets them know (“Are you so dull?”).

The Pharisees are so caught up in guarding their own traditions that they miss what’s happening right in front of their eyes. They want to know why his disciples don’t ceremoniously wash their hands before eating? They want to “test” him and ask him to perform an “on demand” miracle.

When he finally asks his disciples who people say he is, they answer, “John the Baptist, Elijah, or one of the prophets.” Only Peter answers when he asks, them directly, “Who do you say I am?” “You are the Christ.” What more proof did they need? What more proof do we need?

HCOB Adult Sunday School

✠ **THE CHRISTIAN HOMEBUILDERS & THE SEEKERS-** You are invited to join the **Combined Summer Sunday School Class Series** which will be held in the renovated classroom on the first floor at the west end of the education wing (behind the new restrooms). The series will feature a study of the Gospel of Mark which will coincide with the preaching themes of our pastors this summer. Mark’s gospel is much like a travel guide following the journey of Jesus as he leads his disciples along a path of discipleship. Come and join in this journey as we discover more about what we can do to become and act more like the disciples of Jesus.

July 7	Session 6 - Mark 6:1 – 29	Leader: Laura Meiser
July 14	Session 7 – The Persecuted Church	Leader: Rich & Jamie Bushong
July 21	Session 8 – Mark 6: 30 – 8:30	Leader: Butch Nacbar
July 28	Session 9 – Annual Conference Report	Leader: Ed & Janice Haldeman

HCOB Family News

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SUMMER SESSION begins June 2nd and runs through September 1st. During this time first through fifth grade will be in a combined Sunday school class.

BIBLE SCHOOL We've had a great week at Vacation Bible School! There were 63 children that attended this year and we raised \$1,058.87. The children learned about how Jesus loves us and takes care of us. The Good News was proclaimed and shared how Jesus died for them and rose again. They listened intently to Paul's stories, competed in some arena games, and shopped in the Market Place. Smiles and love filled the church! Thank you to all those who helped (in many different ways).



PARENTS NIGHT OUT! Laura Meiser and Emmy Schott will be hosting another parent's night out on July 19th from 6:00-9:00 PM. Your children will enjoy some playtime, snacks, and a short movie while you enjoy some time to yourself. Look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

CAMP SWATARA- summer registration is going on now. There are some brochures on the narthex table and in the office on the bulletin board. For schedules and special events, please check out the website at www.Camp Swatara.org.



THANK YOU to all who helped make Friends Together Week a success. We appreciate the donations, volunteers, support, and prayers throughout this magical week. We had a total of 32 campers and numerous, generous volunteers. This year's theme was Growing in God where we learned about the bible, enjoyed delicious snacks, music, crafts, and special activities. The campers planted flowers and seeds in pots that they decorated and, at the end of the week, donated to Meals on Wheels. This week would not have been the success that it was without the support of our congregation.



THE HELPING HANDS MINISTRY is sponsored by the Care of Church Community Team and is available to help you if you have a need for some extra help around the house, getting to appointments, cooking meals, yard work etc. If you could use a Helping Hand or would like to be a part of this ministry by helping others please contact Bev Moyer at 717-468-8311(cell) or 717-665-7352 (home).

BRETHREN VILLAGE WHEELCHAIR WALKS are scheduled for Tuesdays July 16, August 20, and September 17 from 10:00 AM-11:30 AM. Please contact Gerrie Hurst 717-569-3047 or Lois Killian 717-560-9429 if you can help. The residents of the Village thank you!



WOMEN'S CAMP AT CAMP SWATARA- there will be a camp held for women at Camp Swatara August 18-20. The theme is Driven to Distraction and Susan Eikenberry will be speaking. If you are interested, there is more information posted on the bulletin board in the outer office or see Ruth Johnson. Please contact Ruth (717-413-4768) by Monday July 29 if you would like to attend.

NOW THAT SUMMER IS UPON US, there are many opportunities to share special music but we need your help to do so. If you'd like to share your gifts and talents, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the long table in the Narthex or feel free to contact Laura Meiser at 717-689-0465 or laura@hempfieldcob.org.

ARE YOU OVER 70 AND A HALF YEARS OLD? Are you taking taxable RMDs (Required Minimum Distributions) from your IRA, 401K, etc.? If so, did you know that part, or all, of that distribution could be IRS tax free to you if given to a qualified charity?

So, why not source some, or all, of your current church giving from your required distribution to get that tax savings! Perhaps, you might also consider sharing some of your tax savings with the church by increasing your giving.

It is simple; direct your financial institution to make the part of your distribution you want to be tax free, payable to the Hempfield Church of the Brethren. Then, when filing your Federal Income Tax, you would claim what is called a "qualified charitable distribution" (QCD) when you report that distribution for it to be tax free. Contact your tax advisor if you need to, or to help you evaluate any tax law change that might occur.

Thank you,

Your Finance Team Chair - Jerry Stoner Cell: 717-917-5439

THE OUTREACH TEAM IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS from our church to come along side us and serve our local community at the WJTL Kids Cookie Break Fest on

Saturday, August 24 at the Junction Center in Manheim on Junction Road. The Kids Cookie Break Fest is a free festival filled with music, games, inflatables, firetrucks, a petting zoo, pedal cars, barrel train rides, and fun for young families of children 12 and under.

-WJTL needs many volunteers for parking, ticket taking, crafts, bounce house attendants, pedal cars, concessions/drink sales, and trash. We know families from our church have enjoyed attending Kids Cookie Break Fests in the past, and this year the Outreach Team would like to organize a group from our church to help serve!

-WJTL is a Christian radio station (FM 90.3) that seeks to share the Gospel and God's Love on the radio and in the community.

Look for more information and how to sign-up for our church's team later in July.



"CHRISTMAS IN JULY LOVE OFFERING"- Our church is partnering with Bible 2 School to launch a new program for 2nd graders at the Bucher Elementary School in Manheim Township. The Grace Evangelical Congregational church on Carpenter Street in East Petersburg will host the program.

-Bible 2 School is a nonprofit organization that offers free Bible elective classes during the school day for elementary school students in which they introduce children to Jesus and help grow their faith. Their Mission is "To teach the Bible to children attending public school and inspire hope, showing them their unique value in Christ." The number of children served by Bible 2 School in Lancaster County increased by 20% during the 2018-19 school year!

-How can you help?

•You can make a financial offering to help purchase Bibles for the children and other supplies for the program. We will collect offerings each Sunday in July. Simply make a check out to "Hempfield Church of the Brethren" and mark "Bible 2 School Offering" in the memo line. This will help provide essential funding to start the program when children return to school in late August.

•Prayerfully consider volunteering your time as a teacher or helper. The Bible 2 School curriculum is developed and structured to be easily implemented by any volunteer. Bible 2 School meets children where they are and teaches the Old and New Testament, along with Discipleship in fun and engaging ways!

•Pray that many parents will enroll their children in the Bible 2 School program and that children would learn to love God. Pray that God would raise up volunteers to teach children through Bible 2 School.

-Of the 838 children served during the 2018/19 school year, 51% were not connected to a church on a regular basis, and some children heard about Jesus for the first time. What a great way to celebrate Christmas in July!



LADIES FALL BIBLE STUDY September - November 2019. We will be using the six-session series entitled: "It's Not Supposed To Be This Way" by: Lysa Terkeurst.

-New York times bestselling author Lysa Terkeurst unveils her heart amid shattering circumstances and shows readers how to live assured when life doesn't turn out like they expected.

-What do you do when God's timing seems questionable, is lack of intervention hurtful, and His promises doubtful?

-Life often looks so very different than we hoped or expected. Some events may simply catch us off guard for a moment, but others shatter us completely. We feel disappointed and disillusioned, and we quietly start to wonder about the reality of god's goodness.

-Lysa Terkeurst understands this deeply. But she's also discovered that our disappointments can be the divine appointments our souls need to radically encounter God. In *It's Not Supposed To Be This Way*, Lysa invites us into her own journey of faith and, with grit, vulnerability, and honest humor, helps us to:

- stop being pulled into the anxiety of disappointment by discovering how to better process unmet expectations and other painful situations.

- train ourselves to recognize the three strategies of the enemy so we can stand strong and persevere through unsettling relationships and uncertain outcomes.

- discover the secret of being steadfast and not panicking when God actually does give us more than we can handle.

- shift our suspicion that God is cruel or unfair to the biblical assurance that God is protecting and preparing us.

- know how to encourage a friend and help her navigate hard realities with real help from God's truth.

-Cost of books for this series will be approximately \$12.49 and study guides approximately \$7.99. Contact Jamie Bushong at jvb@dejazzd.com or call 717-664-4395 if you want to join. We plan to offer a Thursday morning and evening study. Watch August Herald and Sunday bulletin for more details on dates and times.

July HCOB Calendar

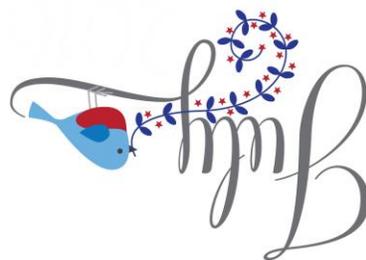
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Creation Festival 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Blended Worship 6:30 PM Youth Cell Group	1 7:00 PM Josh & Youth Parents Meet & Greet	2 3:00 PM Ziegler/Smith Family Get Together	3 COB Annual Conference Pastor Doug's Day Off 6:00 AM Ladies Prayer Breakfast	4 Church Office Closed COB Annual Conference Independence Day	5 COB Annual Conference	6 COB Annual Conference
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14 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Blended Worship 3:00 PM Jackson Splain's Birthday 6:30 PM Youth Cell Group	15 7:00 AM Setup WORDD Summer Social 6:30 PM Outreach Team	16 6:00 PM WORDD Summer Social	17 HERALD DEADLINE Pastor Doug's Day Off 6:00 AM Ladies Prayer Breakfast	18	19 Josh's Day Off 6:00 PM Parents Night Out	20
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28 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Blended Worship 6:30 PM Youth Cell Group	29	30	31 Pastor Doug's Day Off 6:00 AM Ladies Prayer Breakfast	1 7:00 PM Prayer Experience	2 Josh's Day Off 6:45 PM WORDD Worship: Expressions of Love and Praise	3

For more details about upcoming events and up-to-date calendar information, please visit <http://www.hempfieldcob.org/whatsup.html>

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