

Contact Us

Hempfield Church of the Brethren

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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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Scheduled Day Off: Monday

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Please submit bulletin information to Irene by Wednesday noon.

HCOB Family Facts

General Offering for November 27, 2022 =

General Fund \$ 15,757.75

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,512

Building Fund for November 27, 2022 = \$ 4,200.00

Christmas Love Offering \$1,500.00 (To date \$1,700.00)

This Week @ H.C.O.B.

Today:

3:30pm Gingerbread House

Wednesday:

Monday:

Doug' Day Off

Thursday:

6:30 Praise Band
7pm Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday:

7:00pm Deacons
7:00pm QE Rehearsal

Friday:

Sunday, December 4, 2022

BEHOLD,
THE VIRGIN
shall conceive and
bear a son, and
shall call his name

Immanuel

Isaiah 7:14

Worship Today

PRELUDES

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
We Three Kings
I Wonder as I Wander
QuintEssentially Brass

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S LESSON & CANDLE LIGHTING

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Many: He was with God in the beginning.

One: All things were created through Him, and apart from Him not one thing was created that has been created.

Many: Life was in Him and that life was the light of men.

One: The people living in darkness have seen a great light; a light has dawned on those living in the land of darkness.

Many: That light shines in the darkness, yet the darkness did not overcome it.

One: Jesus Christ is our light in the darkness. He is our hope!

All: Amen and amen!

HYMN

O Come, All Ye Faithful #212

Children are Invited to Children's Church

SPECIAL MUSIC

In the Bleak Midwinter
QuintEssentially Brass

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 7:1-17

MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

Once In Royal David's City
Sanctuary Choir & QuintEssentially Brass

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:26-38

MESSAGE

OUR HOPE

*CLOSING SONG

Joy to the World #318

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Rejoice and Be Merry
QuintEssentially Brass

**Those who are able are invited to stand*

Preacher – Laura Meiser

Worship Leader – Ray Hutchison

Accompanist – Jen Hinton

Sound Tech – Rich Bushong & Blaine Garber

Video Tech – Dave Bendit

PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD! Next Sunday, **Geoff Davis** will be preaching on **Isaiah 9:1-7: Luke 1: 39-55**. Please read and prayerfully study this passage this week as we prepare to worship together.

Sunday School This Week:

NEW STUDY – Advent by JD Greear

December 4 – Session 2 – Wonderful Counselor – Ray Hutchison

December 11 – Session 3 – Everlasting Father – Galen Brumbaugh



The **Force for Food** committee would like to thank all who contributed to the turkey drive. We collected 22 turkeys and \$1,180 to donate to Water Street Ministries.

We would also like to share that we continue to partner with Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Landisville to provide free community meals. In 2022, we sponsored 5 community meals for a total of 553 meals served. Our standard meal is meat loaf, baked potato, roll, butter, some type of fruit and vegetable and dessert.

Zion Church offers free dinners each Thursday evening prepared by a variety of organizations and churches. During the pandemic it was decided to switch from eating-in, which served about 50 folks per week, to a first come, first served drive-thru format, with an average attendance of 100-120 meals per week.

We are very grateful for this ministry to be able to serve a meal to anyone in the community who desires one.



The Alpaca Sale was a big hit again this year with \$8,640 of profits generated for our future youth activities. Thanks for everyone's effort to donate items, make bake goods, serve both weekends, visit event, and setup/teardown.



The Worship Team wants to thank Bob and Mary Ellen McEvoy for sharing their beautiful, hand-made nativity set with our church during Advent, 2022! We invite you to look carefully at the detailed pieces before or after the morning services.

Mary Ellen writes about their set: "Henry and Maybelle Kettering (Mary Ellen's parents) received the nativity set from a friend about 1973 by the date of the newspaper on the bottom of the box.

It came into our possession in 2003.

We are happy to share this nativity with our church family. Also we would like to thank the Worship Team for setting up, arranging, and decorating around the set."

Announcements



It is that time of year again. If you have made any changes to the information in the current 2022 Church Directory, please notify the office to make the correction for the new 2023 Directory. **If you have students away at college and would**

like to include their addresses in the Directory, please email Irene at office@hempfieldcob.org.



Gingerbread House Night!! December 4th, 3:30-5:30pm Mark your calendars!! Come make a festive, edible home! This is open to everyone and refreshments will be provided. Once completed, houses can be placed in the Narthex for a congregational vote!

Following this at 5:00pm, we will also spread Christmas cheer caroling around East Petersburg. Please sign up in the Narthex.



We're having a **Soup Fundraiser for the Outreach Team** to help meet our Outreach commitments. We will be selling White Chicken Chili after the morning service on December 4.

This chili is mild so if you want more heat you will have to add your own. We will have a pint with a donation of \$5 and quarts with a donation of \$10 or more. **ALL DONATIONS WILL SUPPORT THE OUTREACH TEAM.**

The Twenty Fourth Annual Quint Essentially BRASS

MS Benefit Holiday Concert



Save the Date!

**Friday, Dec. 23, 2022
at 7:30pm**

**First Reformed Church U.C.C.
40 East Orange Street, Lancaster
(717) 397-5149**

*A free-will offering will be taken to benefit
the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.*



December 25th will have our children sitting with their parents during the morning service. The nursery room is available for use but will not be staffed. We can't wait to have you all join the service!



Change of Address

New address for **Gail Krebs**
Apt. 323
Harmony at Harts Run
3450 Harts Run Road
Glenshaw, PA 15116



This year's **Christmas Love Offering** will go towards meeting our budgeted Outreach for 2022. We are currently behind in our Outreach giving by four months plus the month of December. In addition to covering all of our church's normal expenses (payroll, utilities, etc.), we need \$53,000 to meet our budgeted Outreach by December 31. Your offerings will

support more than 25 ministries.

Thanks for giving to the Christmas Love Offering. Please make checks payable to Hempfield Church of the Brethren with the **memo line of "Christmas Love Offering-Outreach"**. Place your check in the offering plate during any Sunday for the rest of this year, or use one of the special envelopes on the narthex table. Please mark your offering envelope # on the special envelopes.

Thank you from the Leadership Team and the Outreach Team



We will collect the "2-Cent-A-Meal" offering on Sunday, Dec 11th for the **Global Food Initiative (GFI)** program. This program is the primary way that the Church of the Brethren assists hungry people in developing food security around the world.



A huge **THANK YOU** to all the Deacons who helped to assemble and deliver our wonderful Fruit Bags this year. Your efforts to lead and to serve are greatly appreciated now and throughout the year! Additional thanks go to Emmy Schott and the Children's Church for their decorations on all the bags. May all who and give and all who receive be blessed this holiday season!

Betty Cox