

## Contact Us

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

## HCOB Family Facts

**General Offering for December 18, 2022 =**

**General Fund \$ 19,077.41**

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

**Building Fund for December 18, 2022 = \$ 100.00**

**Christmas Love Offering \$ 1,450.00 (To date \$ 13,108.00)**

**2 Cent-a-Meal = \$ 40.18 (To date 904.55)**

### This Week @ H.C.O.B.

**Today:**

**Wednesday:**

**Monday:**

Doug' Day Off  
Office Closed

**Thursday:**

6:30 Praise Band

**Tuesday:**

**Friday:**

**December 25, 2022**



...HE SHALL  
BE THE  
*one of  
peace.*

MICAH 5:5

# Worship Today

## PRELUDES

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OPENING PRAYER

### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

**Many: The earth was formless and void; there was darkness and chaos.**

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

**Many: For in Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,**

One: Whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through Him and for Him.

**Many: In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.**

One: He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

**Many: In the beginning, God created and saw, and it was good.**

One: But it did not last. The garden, the fruit, the bite, the fall. God covered humanity's sin then, but could no longer have the same closeness in relationship.

**Many: The patriarchs and the Law, judges and kings, the Temple and prophets...nothing seemed to restore the brokenness brought in by sin.**

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

**Many: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.**

One: In this season of anticipation, we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose again, and we look to when He will come again in glory.

**Many: He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it**

**with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.**

*All: We gather in anticipation: come, let us seek and worship our God!*

**HYMN** O Come All Ye Faithful (vv. 1,4) 212

**Mary & the Angel** **Luke 1:26-38**

**Rejoice with Mary** 840

One: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

**Many: From the day all generations will call me blessed; the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name.**

One: He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation.

**Many: He has shown the strength of his arm, He has scattered the proud in their conceit.**

One: He has cast down the might from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.

**Many: He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty.**

*All: He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for He has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise He made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.*

**HYMN** Hark the Herald Angel Sing (vv. 1,3) 201

**Joseph & the Angel** **Matthew 1:18-25**

**HYMN** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus 178

**Jesus' Birth** **Luke 2:1-7**

**HYMN** O Little Town of Bethlehem (vv. 1,4) 191

**Shepherds First** **Luke 2:8-20**

**HYMN** Away in a Manger (vv. 1,3) 194

# Announcements



TODAY our children will be 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!



Praise God! We have reached our goal of raising \$53,000 to meet our Outreach commitments for 2022. God is so good! **THANK YOU** for generously supporting Christ's work through Hempfield Church of the Brethren. With your help, we are able

to send our full offerings to each of the local, national and international ministries such as Water Street, Brethren Volunteer Service, Habitat for Humanity, Hope International, the Haiti Medical Project and many more.

All offerings given at this worship service will be used for Outreach and ministry operating expenses in 2023. Let's start the year strong.

God has done it again... "**Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen**" Ephesians 3:20-21

## Presentation

Luke 2:21-38

### HYMN

What Child is This (vv. 1,3)

215

### PRAYER OF THANKGIVING

### HYMN

Joy to the World (vv. 1,4)

318

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

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

Preacher – Doug Hinton

Accompanist – Kim Glass

Praise Band – Jen Hinton

Sound Tech – Rich Bushong & Jamie Bushong

Video Tech – Dave Bendit

**PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD!** Next Sunday, **Doug Hinton** will be preaching on **Acts 9:10-19**. Please read and prayerfully study this passage this week as we prepare to worship together.

### Sunday School This Week:

December 25 – NO CLASS

January 1 – NO CLASS

January 8 – NEW STUDY – THE BOOK OF HEBREWS – Derwin Gray

Session 1 – Jesus ID – Galen Brumbaugh



**If you have a mailbox in the outer office, please take a moment to clean it out. As 2023 approaches, the mailboxes will change slightly so your help in having empty boxes would be greatly appreciated.**



A big thank you to the church and all the deacons who made up the beautiful Christmas baskets! A special thank you to Mary Lou Ruth for the delicious zucchini bread! Also a special thank you to the children who helped to beautifully decorate the bags.

Thank you messages from the following:

*Millie Hoffman*  
*Dick & Jean Caldwell*  
*Roger & Gladys Ulmer*  
*Millie Brubaker*  
*Faye Rohrer*  
*Ruth Johnson*  
*Peggie Layman*  
*Vic & Claire Lincoln*  
*Jean Musser*  
*Allen & Gerrie Hurst*  
*Gerry Zellers*  
*Jean May*  
*Gerry Shuman*

*Denny & Harriet Hughes*  
*Galen Brumbaugh*  
*Lois Moyer*  
*Ed & Janice Haldeman*  
*Dave & Mary Ann Fisher*  
*Wilda Drake*  
*Randy & Linda Ziegler*  
*Ellie Lehman*  
*Gene & Carlene Strait*  
*Lew & Reba Fisher*  
*Richard & Carolyn Gingrich*  
*Jim & Arlene Slotter*



Many thanks for the many sympathy cards and words of condolence sent to me during the recent passing of my dear friend Hiram M. Royer. A caring, supportive church is greatly appreciated. Thank you also, Doug, for your services. Faye Rohrer

## AND THE WINNER IS.....



**Jason & Micah Hoffman**

It was a great time of fellowship and fun!!! Thanks to all who participated – the entries were wonderful!



*The Worship Team would like to thank the following people who purchased poinsettias to be used in decorating the sanctuary for our service this evening. . Please see a member of the Worship Team after the service to receive your flower(s).*

*Galen Brumbaugh*  
*Betty Cox*  
*Reba Fisher*  
*Tom & Carolyn Fritz*  
*Blaine & Diane Garber*  
*Richard & Carolyn Gingrich*  
*Nancy Haas*  
*Ed & Janice Haldeman*  
*Allen & Gerrie Hurst*  
*Ruth Johnson*  
*Mary Ann & Del Kautz*  
*Jody Kettering*  
*Penny & Joel Kettering*  
*Hank Lantz*

*Julie Myer*  
*Linda Rannels*  
*Donna Reed*  
*Mary Ann Richards*  
*Dave & Emmy Schott*  
*Gary & Janice Shenk*  
*Jerry & Paula Stoner*  
*Danell Sweitzer*  
*Faye Rohrer*  
*Deniece & Matt Leber*