

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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Please submit bulletin information to Irene by Wednesday noon.

HCOB Family Facts

General Offering for April 16, 2023 =

General Fund \$ 6,885.00

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,094

Building Fund for April 16, 2023 = \$ 150.00

This Week @ H.C.O.B.

Today:

Congregational Gathering

Wednesday:

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Monday:

Doug Off

Thursday:

6:30pm Praise Band (with Youth)

Tuesday:

6:00pm Education Team

Friday:

9:00am Boundaries Bible Study

Then Philip
opened his mouth,
and beginning
with this Scripture
he told him
the good news
about Jesus.

ACTS 9:35

Sunday, April 23, 2023

Announcements



EDUCATIONAL GRANT—The church, through the Education Team, is offering an **EDUCATION GRANT** of up to \$2,000 to individuals who are: (1) pursuing a career in Christian Ministry by attending a Christian college or university, or (2) attending a college that is affiliated with the Church of the Brethren. Inquiring applicants can send a request for an application to Donna Reed, chairman of the Education Team, via the church mailbox or rdreed2@verizon.net. The deadline to receive the returned grant application is May 7.

POST HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES: If you, or someone you know is graduating from a college, university, or other post high school program, please send the name & contact information to Donna Reed, of the Education Team, (via church mailbox or rdreed2@verizon.net) by April 16, 2023 in order to complete a short questionnaire that is due April 23, 2023 We would like to celebrate with you as you finish this chapter of your life! Graduation Sunday is June 4, 2023.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES: If you, or a family member is graduating this year from High School, please submit the name and contact information to Donna Reed by April 23, 2023 (via church mailbox, or rdreed2@verizon.net). Then you will receive a short questionnaire that is due May 7, 2023, so that we may recognize your achievements on Graduation Sunday, June 4, 2023.



On April 30th, we will have an anointing service during our Sunday morning worship. According to Brethren.org, “We anoint one another by gathering with people who are ill, hurting, struggling with decisions or beginning a new phase of life.” This practice comes specifically from James 5:14, “Is anyone among you sick? *Then* he must call for the elders of the church and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord... [ref. James 5:13ff]. This is a service to confess and bring our requests to God, offering prayers in faith that His peace will come and His will be done. We invite you to join in this service and practice of our faith!

LOOKING AHEAD...



Membership Classes April 16, 30, and May 7
Congregational Gathering – April 23rd Following Morning Worship
Anointing Service – April 30th



Do you have any Easter flowers or bulbs (especially tulips, daffodils, hyacinths, crocuses, & grape hyacinths) that you have thinned out that you would like to donate to be planted outside JNH? If so, please bring them Sunday and put them outside JNH or contact Donna Reed.



When we speak of membership in the local church, it points to fully committing to the larger body of Christ by partnering with the local body of Christ to use gifts, talents and resources to strengthen His ministry, seeking to follow Jesus, and bring others into the fold. If you would like to explore joining Hempfield Church of the Brethren, we will be holding membership classes on Sundays April 16, 30, and May 7 after the morning service in the library. In the three sessions, we'll 1) share our faith stories, 2) look at faith practices through a Brethren lens, and 3) look at HCOB today: structure, ministries, and ways to connect. At the end of the third session, an invitation will be given to join. If you would like to join us, please contact Pastor Doug or there will be a sign up sheet in the narthex. We do ask that you are baptized – whether at birth or as an adult – and have made a commitment to follow Jesus. If you have not been baptized and would like to better understand what that means or be baptized, please contact Pastor Doug.



CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

Donation Station at HCOB for Church World Service (CWS) – we want to remind you of the ongoing outreach opportunities available to support CWS and their refugee resettlement program.

You can help by donating household items on CWS's list of items that they accept. You can place your donations in the brown wheelbarrow in the narthex or coat closet. (**Food donations** should be placed in the **shopping cart** in the coat closet.) CWS's donation list is attached to the brown wheelbarrow. The Outreach Team will deliver donated items to CWS's donation hub on East King Street.

With many refugees arriving with little or no belongings, our continued donations of household items help to offset some of the home costs for a new refugee neighbor making a home and rebuilding their life here in Lancaster.

THANK YOU for your support!



Upcoming Calendar:

- Apr 16th 6-8pm - Sunday Funday - Petting Zoo
- Apr 23rd 6-8pm - Youth Group
- Apr 30th 6-8pm - Youth Group
- May 7th 6-8pm - Youth Group
- May 14th - NO Youth Group - Happy Mother's Day!



Thank you for your 33 pounds of food to the pantry in March.

In March, the pantry served: 567 children; 98 adults; 379 seniors
For a total of 1,944 people served. \$800.00 was contributed in March!
21 new families were registered in March

Requested food items for April are:

- Cereal....always need cereal
- Canned mixed vegetables
- Canned carrots
- Gluten free Progresso soup