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HCOB Family Facts

General Offering for October 8, 2023 = General Fund \$ 10,388.76 Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$10,094

Building Fund for October 8, 2023 = \$ 250.00

Playground Fun Fund as of October 8, 2023 = \$ 43,318

This Week @ H.C.O.B.

Today: Youth Retreat 4-6 HarvestFest

Monday:

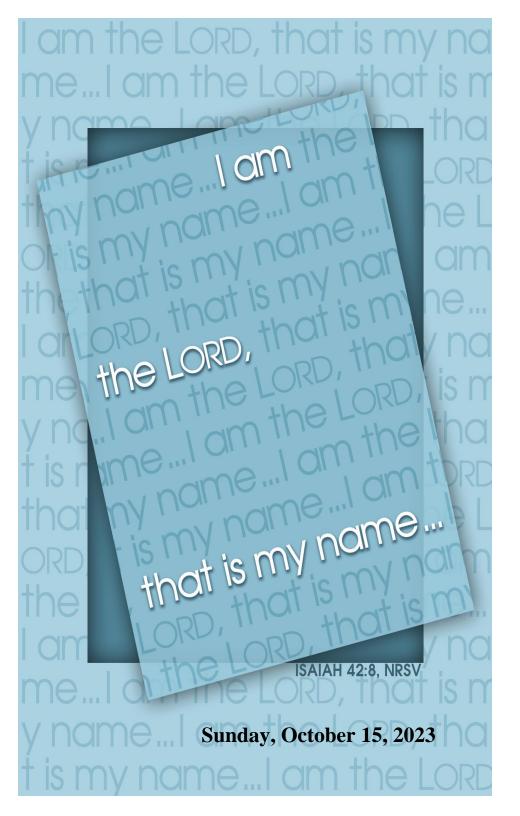
Doug Off 5:30pm Fellowship & Hospitality 6:30pm Outreach Team **Tuesday:**

8:00am Fellowship & Hospitality 6:00pm Education Team

Wednesday: HERALD DEADLINE 9:30am Moms/Kids Connect 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal Thursday:

9:00am Women's Bible Study

Friday: 6:30pm Worship Team



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"Do not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block in front of the blind but fear your God. I am the Lord." (Leviticus 19:14)

PRELUDES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEMPFIELD HAPPENINGS: District Conference Recap

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The heavens shout of God's glory!

P: There is so much beauty in this earth and in the heavens!

L: Day by day we are reminded of God's creative love.

P: Day by day we are blessed with large and small visions of God's glory.

L: Come, let us praise the God of creation.

P: Let us sing and shout our praises of thanksgiving and joy to God. AMEN.

TIME OF PRAISE No Longer Slaves This is Amazing Grace

Children are Invited to Children's Church

SCRIPTURE

Mark 4:1-12

MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC	C He's Always B	een Faithful Sanctuary Choir
SCRIPTURE	John 9:1-12, 35	•
INTERVIEW	Rebecca Strite	
MESSAGE	I ONCE WAS BLIND	
*HYMN	Amazing Grace	#143 (Vs 1-3)

***BENEDICTION**

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able are invited to stand

Preacher – Geoff Davis Worship Leader – Tom Connelly Accompanist – Jen Hinton Praise Band Leader – Laura Meiser Sound Tech –Rich Bushong & Mitchell Barnes Video Tech – Dave Bendit Live Stream – Dave Dum

PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD! Next Sunday, **Laura Meiser** will be preaching on **Leviticus 19:15-16, Matthew 6:1-4, 20:1-6.** Please read and prayerfully study this passage this week as we prepare to worship together.

Sunday School This Week: New Study – The Book of Jeremiah

October 15 – Jeremiah 18:1-17 – Rich Bushong October 22 – Jeremiah 23:1-12 – Galen Brumbaugh October 29 – Congregational Gathering – No Class



The Eastland Alpaca Open House is coming up November 4-5, 11-12. We have grown so much that it has become our only fundraiser to fund our youth activities and carry out the mission of Christ throughout the

year. We will again be serving hotdogs & sauerkraut, pulled pork sandwiches, walking taco and taco salads, chicken corn noodle soup and French fries.

Here is how you can help: We are looking for cans of soda. This year we are asking specifically for Coke/Diet Coke, Sprite, A&W Root Beer, and Dr. Pepper.

We have sign-up sheets in the Narthex or a link to sign up on the website at www.hempfieldcob.org.

Monetary donations to offset our start up shopping are appreciated as well.

Stop by the table in the Narthex and sponsor one or more of the food items. As you are able, please sign up with the item and the amount. We look forward to this year's event! Thank you for all your support and prayers!

Baked goods will be done here in the church kitchen. Eight helpers are needed November 1st and 2nd starting at 8:30am. Three helpers are needed for Chicken Corn Soup which will be made on October 31st 8:30am to 1:30pm. Please come help!



The Outreach Team is sponsoring a Highway Clean-Up on **Saturday, October 28th**. We are again inviting participants to join us at Centerville II Diner (formerly Country Table Restaurant) for **breakfast** at **8:00 am.**

Cleanup will begin at **9:00 am**. Please sign-up on the sheet on the narthex table. We'll supply latex gloves, safety vests & trash bags. We need about 10 people to help!



As of October 5, **Lois Moyer's new** address is: 2229 Towne Square North Manheim, PA 17545 Phone: 717-665-5225



Greetings. Over the summer months HCOB donated 384 pounds of groceries and \$1,225 to local food pantries. The number of people we are helping to support continues to increase, approaching 300 families and 1,000 individuals in

the Hempfield and Manheim communities. For the year, our donations total 1,358 pounds and \$3,950. As reported last quarter, client needs are increasing and food costs continue to rise, making any donations the Pantries receive critical to ongoing operations.

The Hempfield Pantry has returned to a "choice" style distribution where clients enter the pantry and select the items they need. A limited number of clients enter the pantry at one time necessitating a worker outside to organize the queue, assign numbers and keep track of who is next. The side benefit of this is hearing the stories of clients and recognizing that people are not receiving food because they want to. One young client described his frustration with an ongoing heart condition that inhibits his working full-time and his fervent wish that his health would improve. Another person described his multiple jobs to pay the monthly bills. These are our neighbors who need our help.

Special Requests for Hempfield include:

Canned butter beans, canned carrots, canned mixed vegetables, (we prefer no glass containers)

Special Requests for Manheim include:

Canned beef stew, canned chili, soup, Spam, boxes of rice

Both Pantries are in need of cereal, mac and cheese, canned meat (chicken, Spam and tuna), pasta (egg noodles, spaghetti, Penna), pasta sauce, large peanut butter, large jelly soups, canned vegetables.

Money donations can be sent as follows:

Hempfield Area Food Pantry - 85 East Brandt Blvd., Landisville, PA 17538 Manheim Central Food Pantry - c/o Salem UMC, 140 North Penn Street Manheim, PA 17545

Or mail to Pete Cope and it will be delivered to the Pantry.

Please mark Hempfield COB Donation in the memo line for reporting purposes. Thank you for your continuing faithful support of this ministry.



Checks For You

... Blood Pressure Checks that is. The Deacon Committee, through their Health Ministry Team, is providing monthly blood pressure checks to all participants of our church family.

Next check November 5. Where: Library When: After the church service



Upcoming Calendar:

- Oct 8th 6-8pm Youth Group @ HCOB
- Oct 13-15th Fall Retreat @ Gretna Glen
- Oct 15th Harvest Fest @ HCOB
- Oct 21st 1-4pm Unto Service Activity
- Oct 21st 9am-4pm Youth Day @ Camp Swatara
- Oct 22th 6-8pm Youth Group @ HCOB
- Oct 29th 6-8pm Youth Group @ HCOB

LOOKING AHEAD...



October 13-15 – Youth Fall Retreat October 14 – Brethren Village Social October 15 – Harvest Fest October 29 – Congregational Gathering November 4, 5, 11,12 – Eastland Alpaca November 22 – Thanksgiving Eve Service November 23 & 24 – Thanksgiving Holiday (Office Closed)