

## Contact Us

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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 December 22, 2024**

**General Fund \$ 7,306.38**

**Building Fund for December 22, 2024 = \$ 5,300.00**

**Christmas Love Offering-Hurricane Relief Year to Date =  
\$4,547.85**

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

**Today:**

No Youth Group

**Wednesday:**

HAPPY NEW YEAR (Church Office Closed)

**Monday:**

Doug Off

**Thursday:**


6:30pm Praise Band

**Tuesday:**

No TNT

**Friday:**

**Saturday:**



**SURELY  
GOODNESS  
AND MERCY  
SHALL FOLLOW ME  
ALL THE DAYS  
OF MY LIFE.  
PSALM 23**

Sunday, December 29, 2024

# Worship Today

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEMPFIELD HAPPENINGS: Sounding Joy Children's Story  
Lori Greenly

## OPENING PRAYER

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Now, the salvation, the power, the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come!

**Body: for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before God day and night.**

One: And then over came him by the blood of the Lamb

**Body: And the word of their testimony!**

One: They did not love their own life even when faced with death.

**Body: Therefore rejoice! O heaven and you who dwell in them.**

**All: For the trials of this world are passing, but the Word of the Lord lives forever! Amen.**

A TIME OF PRAISE      Lead On, Good Shepherd  
The First Noel

*Children are invited to Remain in the Service*

SCRIPTURE      Psalm 23

## MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN      Hark, The Herald, Angels Sing      #201

SCRIPTURE      Luke 2:22-40

## MESSAGE

## TESTIFY TO GOD'S GOODNESS

HYMN      Good Christian Friends Rejoice      #210

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Preacher – Doug Hinton

Worship Leader – Del Kautz

Accompanist – Jen Hinton

Praise Band – Jen Hinton

Sound Tech – Rich Bushong & Luke Hinton

Video Tech – Dave Johnson

Live Stream – Ben Johnson

**PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD!** Next Sunday, **Doug Hinton** will be preaching on **Matthew 20:1-16, 20-28**. Please read and prayerfully study this passage this week as we prepare to worship together.

## ARE YOU VISITING US TODAY?

### WELCOME TO HEMPFIELD COB

We are SO glad you are here. Help us to get better acquainted with you. Scan this QR code and take just a few minutes to tell us about yourself.

Come back again!!



## Sunday School This Week:



God gives His best gifts to us in unexpected ways. The Christmas season is a reminder of the gift that God gives to us through his Son Jesus. The prophet Micah gives Israel hope while they are under the threat of violence and oppression,

sharing God's promise that from the insignificant and inconsequential town of Bethlehem will come the world's greatest blessing, who is Christ the Lord. When the Messiah, the Lord Jesus, comes his greatness will span the entire world. The unexpected is what God does best.

Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> – Luke 1:25-38 – The Promise



Merry Christmas, Hempfield COB! The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Team is giving out specially-made ornaments to celebrate 50 years as a congregation. These have been designed by the committee, and printed out by Carl Polonchak on his 3D printers, and we pray that they will bring you joy as you remember our amazing church family, and recommit yourselves to glorifying the Lord and

loving and serving our neighbors.

You may pick up your ornament before or after church during the month of December. We have made one per family, but if you would like additional ornaments to give as gifts, please contact any member of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Team for additional information.

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Team:

Galen Brumbaugh, Sue Brubaker, Cherl Myers,  
Tom Connelly, and Deb Bendit



The LOVE OFFERING for December will be going to support Church of the Brethren -Hurricane Response. Please feel free to use the envelopes titled Love Offering available on the table in the narthex. Checks may be made payable to Hempfield Church of the Brethren with Hurricane response in the memo line.

## Announcements



2025 Giving Envelopes are available. If you would like new envelopes or to retain your current number, please see Tom Connelly in the Narthex following the service.



As happens each year, the church mailboxes will change in January. If you are new onto a Ministry Team, you will have a box. However, if you already have a box, it's position is subject to change. Please take a moment to clean out any unwanted material that is currently in the box to make moving it easier. Thank you so much!!



Have you considered becoming a member of Hempfield Church of the Brethren? We will be offering a 3-week class beginning Sunday, January 19,

2025 through Sunday, February 2, 2025. If you are interested in exploring this time of learning about our church, please contact Pastor Doug.





A big thank you to the church and all the deacons who made up the beautiful Christmas baskets! Also a special thank you to the children who helped to beautifully decorate the bags.

Thank you messages from the following:

*Jean May*

*Millie Hoffman*

*Ellie Lehman*

*Carolyn & Richard Gingrich*

*Claire & Vic Lincoln*

*Millie Brubaker*

*Reba & Lew Fisher*

*Gerrie & Allen Hurst*

*Carlene Strait*

*Jean Musser*

*Arlene Slotter*

*Ed & Janice Haldeman*

*Mary Ann Fisher*

*Ruth Johnson*

*Ruth Meily*

*Jim & Mim Haverstick*

# *Life Notes*

