

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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Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 9:00AM. to 3:00PM.

Tues. 10:00AM to 4:00PM

Please submit bulletin information to Irene by Wednesday noon.

This Week @ H.C.O.B.

Today: 08/09

6:00pm Youth Group (Barnes)

3:00pm Hershey Event

Wednesday: 08/12

6:00pm Book Study "Imagine the
God of Heaven"

7:00pm Property Team

Monday: 08/10

6:30pm Worship Team (Zoom)

Thursday: 08/13

Tuesday: 08/11

6:00pm TNT

Friday: 08/14

Laura Day Off

Irene Out (Office Closed)

Saturday: 08/15

Sunday, August 09, 2026



Now the
is the Lord
Spirit
and where
the Spirit
of the Lord is
there is freedom.

Worship Today

PRELUDE:

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEMPFIELD HAPPENINGS: Faith Story Jayne Hutchison

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 103:1-12

*A TIME OF PRAISE The Battle Belongs to You
How Great is Our God

All Children are Invited to Children's Church

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 4:7-10

HYMN How Firm a Foundation #567
(vs. 1,2,3)

MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 4:14:16

MESSAGE **Making Sense Out of Suffering**

*CLOSING HYMN How Can I Keep From Singing #580

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Speaker: Ray Hutchison
Worship Leader – Deb Bendit
Accompanist – Jen Hinton
Praise Band – Jen Hinton
Sound Tech – Rich Bushong, Tony Sammarco
Video Tech – Dave Bendit
Live Stream – Abby Lutz

**PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY
READING AHEAD!** Next Sunday, **Friendship Community Worship
Team** will be leading our service.

HCOB Family Facts

Offerings for August 02, 2026:

General Fund \$ 8,463.93

Building Fund \$ 1,400

Outreach Fund \$ 550.00

Total Giving to Outreach Fund = \$ 18,360.00

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!!





NEW STUDY

In the pages of Matthew's Gospel, we find the tax collector-turn-disciple present to us a snapshot of the life and teachings of Jesus.

This certainly is not a complete biography nor an exhaustive collection of Jesus' teaching. Instead, we will be looking how Jesus' words transformed the lives of people in his day and how they can impact our modern day lives and faith.

Aug. 9 – Matthew 2:1-12 **Worship the King**

Aug. 16 – Matthew 5:13-20, 43-48 **True Righteousness**

Aug. 23 – Matthew 6:19-34 **Treasure**

Aug. 30 – Matthew 7:15-29 **Authority Acknowledge**

Sept. 6 – Matthew 8:1-14, 14-17, 9:1-8 **Everyday Value**



Many thanks to Ray Hutchison for leading us in worship this morning!

Ray Hutchison married into the HCOB family when he and Jayne were joined in marriage 50 years ago.

Following Ray's graduation from seminary the Hutchisons had the joy of engaging in missionary

service with SIM for 37 years. For 6 years they served as cross-cultural workers in Liberia and during the remaining 31 years, Ray served in mission administration in Texas and Pennsylvania, recruiting new missionaries, helping churches in their mission programs and promoting prayer for missions. Since retiring in 2021 Ray and Jayne have been worshipping and serving at HCOB and Ray has started a ministry called *Five Elements Toward Relational Healing in the Church*. The Hutchisons are blessed to have their 4 adult children and three grandsons living nearby.



It is coming to that time of year when we make sure that our church directory is updated with all your latest information. If you have changed something (i.e. phone numbers, address, etc.), please send a note to Irene at

office@hempfieldcob.org.

Announcements



August Children's Church Schedule

Aug. 9 – All Classes in Children's Church

Aug. 16 – All Classes in Children's Church

Aug. 23 – All Classes Remain in the Service

Aug. 30 – All Classes Remain in the Service



**Care for Church Community
invites you to
Connection Nights
in July, and August**

Come one and all (young and wise) to gather and share your gifts and talents. This will be a time of connection for fellowship and fun on designated Thursday evenings from 6 PM to 7:30 PM in Chapel Hall.

Each night will have its own unique task to enjoy. The following dates and times are below to mark your calendar. Join us as you are enjoying the summer weather!

- August 20 - Project for Rally Day or a Service Project
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Hempfield Softball is competing in Round 1 of the league PLAYOFFS on Tuesday 8/4 at 6:30pm. This will be a double-header at the field across from Manheim Central High School by the pool. Come out and support the team!



It's time to get **"CORN"** again!! We are depending on Mother Nature's timing but we are planning our "Corn Event" for Tuesday, August 18

Husking - 4:30

Kitchen help - 5:00

Cutting off the corn - 5:20 - till finish.

Cutting off the corn please bring your favorite cutting tools and containers.

The Silking Machine will be back by popular demand for the kids to help. I will have extra containers, cutting boards and cutting tools. Thanks for your help with this project because it is a blessing to those who receive Chicken corn soup for our meal ministry and provides fresh corn to water street ministries.



BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSINGS

August 23 during morning service.

As we celebrate our students, please take a few moments to add specific words of encouragement and/or prayers for our children and youth to the

posters located in the rear of the sanctuary and in Chapel Hall.



We love having you stop in the office during the week. It is wonderful to see you and to know that you have things to do here. Please stop in the office and let us know that have arrived. We want to say hello!

Hempfield Church of the Brethren Financial / Ministry Statement January 1 through July 31, 2026 Year-to-Date Actuals vs. Budget

1 Timothy 6: 18-19 "They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life."

	Actual Jan-Jul 2026	Budget Jan-Jul 2026	Actual (Under)/Over Budget
Beginning Balance 1/1/26	\$7,376		
<u>Income</u>			
General Fund Offerings	\$279,431		
Interest	\$31		
Offerings for Outreach	\$19,810		
Credit Card Rewards	\$850		
Total Available Income	\$307,499		
<u>Expenses</u>			
Finance Team	\$34,248	\$32,973	\$1,275
Outreach	\$27,969	\$62,708	(\$34,739)
Education	\$7,067	\$11,477	(\$4,410)
Deacons	\$525	\$2,042	(\$1,517)
Care of Church Community	\$0	\$1,167	(\$1,167)
Worship	\$18,299	\$19,268	(\$1,329)
Leadership	\$142,113	\$147,404	(\$5,291)
Stewards of Property	\$51,083	\$56,526	(\$5,443)
Fellowship & Hospitality	\$3,512	\$5,425	(\$1,913)
Total Expenses	\$284,816	\$339,349	(\$54,533)
2026 Actual % of Budget	83.9%		

Checking Account as of July 31 \$22,682

Outreach is paid through March 31

	2026	2025	\$ Increase
General Fund Offerings 1/1 to 7/31	\$279,431	\$255,084	\$24,347
2026 Offerings % of 2025	109.5%		

Building Fund Balance as of 7/31 \$24,920

* YTD Budget is based on the same amount for all 12 months

THANK YOU for supporting our ministries for Christ and His church!

Making Sense Out of Suffering

Introduction

Job 5:6–7

Suffering is a friend to embrace rather than an enemy to avoid.

Points to Ponder:

God is sovereign over all the circumstances in or lives.

***Ephesians. 1:11**

God uses our suffering for our good and His glory.

***Romans 8:28**

Through our suffering...

God gives us a clearer view of who He is.

***Job 42:5–6**

God strengthens our faith in Him.

***James 1:2–4**

God displays our faith in Him for others to see.

***1 Peter 1:6–7**

God reveals Himself to others through us.

***2 Corinthians 4:7–11**

Getachew and Mr. Chin

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***2 Corinthians 1:3–4**

God created a tailor-made capacity to endure suffering within each of us.

1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV84)

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Job

The Apostle Paul

***Acts 9:15–16**

***Philippians 3:10**

People in our day

Lost boys of Sudan

Psalm 23:4

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