

HATFIELD MEETINGHOUSE
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JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Welcome 2026! A new year ripe with new possibilities, new opportunities to learn, new opportunities to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community. Even as we look forward to the many opportunities we have before us, we are concerned for the world around us.

Thank you for your generous offerings to the food pantry in November and December. I pray we can continue to offer sustenance to our neighbors well into the future through this mission of the church.

There is much to be done in God's Kingdom. To help us center ourselves for the work to be done in 2026, I propose that we keep a focus on these words from Philippians 4:6-7:

"6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

As the Church of the Brethren, we are ***"Continuing the work of Jesus: Peacefully, Simply, Together."*** Let us be a prayerful church, seeking the will of God for this congregation and this community. Watch and see what God will do!

-----Pastor Lynne

OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

HATFIELD CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN – FOOD PANTRY. . .

hatfieldcobfoodpantry@gmail.com



We continue to be blessed by your support and donations. Our dedicated volunteers make distribution to our families in need a reality. Our congregation, family and friends donated much needed personal items and cleaning supplies this month.

We distributed over a hundred turkeys in November provided by Manna. Our friends at the Coptic church helped sort and stock food donated by St. Vincent de Paul. North Penn School District transportation made a second donation of food and supplies.

We received a notification we will receive \$2,100 per month from the State from December 2025 to June 2026. This allows us to order through Share and two local food distributors. We placed our first order for desired shelf stable food, produce, dairy products, meat, poultry and fish.

We are so thankful for all those involved providing food and supplies currently serving 180 families monthly with additional enrollments continuing.

. Don & Annette Hanks, Food Pantry Coordinators

January

Reminders, Notes, Tips

- Hope everyone has a safe and happy holidays with your family. We will be closed until January 1st and reopen Friday, January 2nd.
- Per state regulations, cars may not be left running, without an adult in the drivers seat.
- If your child wears snow boots, please have a change of shoes for them to wear during school.

Important Dates

Friendship House

1st Closed

2nd Reopen

19th Closed

North Penn

1st-2nd Closed

19th Closed

27th Early Dismissal

New Happenings

- North Penn has been closing and delaying schools, more often than not, and having virtual days. We will be determining what works best for us and NOT always follow what North Penn does. With many parents not having the option of working from home or taking off, we want to be open, as long as it is safe for families and staff. If there is a delay or cancellation of school, I will let families know as soon as possible. All communication will be through Procure.
- If your child is transitioning into a new classroom, they will officially move January 5th. Please make sure paperwork is turned in by Monday, December 22nd. Your child has been visiting their new classroom, for short periods of time, to ease the transition to their new teachers, new classroom, and new classmates.
- Year-end statements will be given out for W2 purposes.
- We will be having a waterproofing company come in during our winter break. They said that it may take them a little longer than our week off, but we will still be open during that time. Thank you for being flexible while we fix our flooding issues.

Weekly Themes:

2nd- New Years

5th-9th Snow

12th- 16th Space

19th-23rd Arctic Animals

26th- 30th Opposites

Chapel with Pastor Lynne Themes-

- **3 Kings**
- **Jesus Welcomes Children**



FAITHFUL COMMUNITY
What's Happening
JANUARY 2026

JANUARY



Thursday, January 1st
Happy New Year!

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Saturday, January 3rd.
ECR Praise Team
Noon – 4:00pm.

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Sunday, January 4th
Wired Word Bible Study

9:00am.

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Morning Worship

Pastor Lynne

10:00am.

Fellowship Time

11:00am.

ECR Worship

11:30am.

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Tuesday, January 6th

Food Cupboard

10:30am - 1:00pm.

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Saturday, January 10th

ECR Praise Team

Noon – 4:00pm.

Sunday, January 11th
Wired Word Bible Study

9:00am

Morning Worship

Pastor Don

10:00am.

Fellowship Time

11:00am.

ECR Worship

11:30am.

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Monday, January 12th

Worshipful Works

6:00pm.

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Saturday, January 17th

Food Cupboard

8:30am – 11:00am.

ECR Praise Team

Noon – 4:00pm.

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Sunday, January 18th

Tyrants Bible Study

9:00am

Morning Worship

Deacon Marlene

10:00am.

Fellowship Time

11:00am.

ECR Worship

11:30am.

Tuesday, January 20th

Food Cupboard

10:30am – 1:00pm.

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Saturday, January 24th

Men's Breakfast

8:30am.

ECR Praise Team

Noon – 4:00pm.

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Sunday, January 25th
Wired Word Bible Study

9:00am

Morning Worship

Pastor Lynne

10:00am.

Fellowship Time

11:00am.

ECR Worship

11:30am.

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Monday, January 26th

Food Cupboard

5:30pm – 7:30pm.

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Saturday, January 31st

ECR Praise Team

Noon – 4:00pm.



FOCUS ON FOLKS!



JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS

10 – Lynne Allebach

13 – Linda Moyer

29- Delaney McMahan

31 – Don Bryant

No January Anniversaries

DIRECTORY ADDITIONS & UPDATES

- **Deb Haig:** 325 E. Church Ave., 323, Telford, PA 18968 (215-779-5601)
- **Shirley Quay:** 3122 Methacton Ave., Norristown, PA 19403 (510-850-4583)

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

JANUARY 2026

Ushers/Greeters for the month

Rodney Allebach, Andi Bishop, Rob Hanks, Don Hanks, Dan Sibley

Worship Leaders

04 – Robin McMahan

11 – Annette Hanks

18 – C Holbert

25 – C Holbert

Accompanist

04 – Annamarie Dieterle

11 – David Himmer

18 – Annamarie Dieterle

25 – Annamarie Dieterle

Message

04 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

11 – Pastor Don McDonough

18 – Deacon Marlene Natali

25 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

Steward Counters

Connie Holbert – Treasurer

Blessings to Share

- May the New Year bless you with unwavering faith that guides your steps, illuminates your path, and fills your heart with hope and strength.
- May you know God as your rock, your shelter, your strength, your wing of comfort and support.
- May you experience peace, joy, strength, and purpose, and ask for guidance and faith for the year ahead.
- May you experience new beginnings, overcome challenges, and develop a deeper relationship, with Jesus and service to others with hope and love.
- May you draw from spiritual tests and personal reflection to embrace the future with courage and trust.

