

HATFIELD MEETINGHOUSE

Church of the Brethren

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May 2023 NEWSLETTER



God's Masterpiece

God took the fragrance of a flower . . .
The majesty of a tree . . .
The gentleness of morning dew . . .
The calm of a quiet sea . . .
The beauty of the twilight hour . . .
The soul of a starry night . . .
The laughter of a rippling brook . . .
The grace of a bird in flight . . .
Then God fashioned from these things . . .
A creation like no other . . .
And when his masterpiece was through . . .
He call it simply – **MOTHER.**

*We wish a Happy Mother's Day to all the "mothers" reading this. If you are a mother by birth, adoption, foster care, or the neighbor lady down the street who took a child under her wing. . . **THANK YOU!** Wishing you the best day ever!*

Come and celebrate with your "mother" figure on Sunday, May 14th at our 10am Worship.

OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

FOOD CUPBOARD NEWS . . . 2023



We have an association with another local food source: **The Garden of Health**. They have been a valuable source of fresh produce this past summer and general foods this past winter. They will be opening **“The Hatfield Farm”**, almost eight acres of land in Hatfield Township directly across from Hatfield Meats and next to The John S. Clemens Park. It will be a much-needed source of fresh produce. Go online and search for Garden of Health and click on “programs” and “Hatfield Farm” to see the plan.

Our food cupboard is in dire need of volunteers for each of our open dates. Four volunteers are a minimum needed to be able for an opening: 2 in the food cupboard area, 1 at the produce tables, bread tables, and “free table”, 1 at the sign-in table and lift area. More volunteers reduce frustration of the working volunteers and the visiting families. So, my request is that if you are a frequent volunteer and unable to attend an opening, please attempt to find a replacement. It would be great if the “replacement” came from outside of our congregation – might be great for our worship service as well!

May 2023

Tuesday	May 2 nd	10:30-1:30
Tuesday	May 16 th	10:30-1:30
Saturday	May 20 th	8:30-11:00
Monday	May 22 nd	5:30-7:30

June 2023

Tuesday	Jun 6 th	10:30-1:30
Saturday	Jun 17 th	8:30-11:00
Tuesday	Jun 20 th	10:30-1:30
Monday	Jun 26 th	5:30-7:30

Thank you, Pastor Clay



May 2023: Reminders, Notes, Tips

- Please make sure your child is dressed for the anticipated weather.
- Children are to wear closed toe shoes. If your child wears crocs, the strap is to be worn behind their heel. If your child falls while running in crocs, please have them wear sneakers to stay safe.
- If you have not returned the sunscreen form please do so, we are having very warm weather early.

Important Dates

- A summer camp fee will be posted to your account mid-June once fee is decided.
- July 1st a re-registration fee of \$30 will be added to your account for the next school year.
- May 8th-May 12th is Teacher Appreciation week! Please feel free to show your appreciation for your child's teacher. I am so grateful for all the teachers and all the work they put in to help the children learn and grow!
- Happy Mother's Day from all of us at Friendship House!
- Friendship House:
 - Closed: Memorial Day May 29th
 - Pajama day: Wednesday May 31st



We are planning on having Pre-k graduation on Friday June 9th from 4:30pm-5pm. More information to follow in the upcoming weeks.

North Penn: Closed: May 16th, & 29th.

New Happenings

As of May 2023, Ms. Julie Dickmann will be the Director at Friendship House Day Care Center. My husband and I are moving to Ohio to be closer to our family.

Themes

Infants, 1s and 2s:

Week 1: Bugs/Insects

Week 2: Mother's Day

Week 3: Flowers

Week 4: On the Farm

Week 5: Transportation

3s and 4s:

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Kindergarten Enrichment (Children going to kindergarten in the Fall)

Week 1:

Letters: z

Sight Words: you, in

Number: 8

Week 2&3:

Letters: q, y

Sight Words: an, he, so

Number: 9

Week 4&5:

Letters: x, a

Sight Words: do, up, no

Number: 10

FOCUS ON FOLKS!



MAY BIRTHDAYS

08 – Becky Rayno
12 – Dan Sibley
19 – Barb Kinsey
20 – Maureen Sibley
26 – Andrew Hanks
31 – Makenna Hanks

MAY ANNIVERSARY

18 – John & Carole Bruning
21 – Rev. Brandon & Katrina Hanks

✚ **MESSENGER, the magazine of the Church of the Brethren.** It is time to renew or begin a new subscription for the “**Messenger**”. Order forms are in your church mailbox, check payable to Hatfield COB and note “Messenger”. Thank you.

Renewal due: Sunday, June 4th

UPCOMING EVENTS . . .

Celtic Celebration Concert: Friday, May 5th @ St. Maria Goretti Church, 7:30pm. Admission is \$25/person, at the door. Proceeds benefits the St. Vincent de Paul fund.

Spirit Care Seminar: Tuesday, May 16th @ Peter Becker Community. Free if RSVP by May 12th. Flyer on the bulletin board and in your church mailbox.

UPCOMING EVENTS continued

Annual Conference Briefing: Thursday, May 4; 7pm. Zoom link and preparation video can be found on ANE today.

Older Adult Spring Luncheon: Wednesday, May 10th Noon at Yoder’s Restaurant, New Holland. \$23/person. Registration May 4th. See the flyer on the bulletin board.

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

MAY 2023

Sunday Ministry Team

Don & Annette Hanks

Greeters

Don Hanks, Rob Hanks, Dan Sibley

Worship Leaders

07 – Robin McMahon

14 – C. Holbert

21 – Annette Hanks

28 – C. Holbert

Accompanist

07 – Annamarie Dieterle

14 – David Himmer

21 – Annamarie Dieterle

28 – Annamarie Dieterle

Message

07 – Pastor Clay Moyer

14 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

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Steward Counters

Connie Holbert - Treasurer

APRIL Stats 2023

Average Worship Monthly Offering

15

\$5,373.00

Monthly offering needed for

2023 Budget: **\$ 5,212.00**



GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER

FAITHFUL COMMUNITY

What Is Happening?

MAY



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Tuesday, May 3rd

Food Cupboard

10:30am – 1:30pm.

Brownies

6:00pm – 7:30pm.

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Sunday, May 7th

Fellowship Time

Wired Word Bible Study

9:00am.

Morning Worship

Pastor Clay Moyer

10:00am.

Congolese Worship

11:30am.

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Monday, May 8th

Worshipful Work

7:00pm.

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Tuesday, May 9th

Brownies

6:00pm – 7:30pm.

Sunday, Sunday, May 14th

Fellowship Time

Wired Word Bible Study

9:00am.

Morning Worship

Mother's Day

Pastor Lynne Allebach

10:00am.

Congolese Worship

11:30am.

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Tuesday, May 16th

Food Cupboard

10:30am – 1:30pm.

Brownies

6:00pm – 7:30pm.

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Saturday, May 20th

Food Cupboard

8:30am – 11:00am.

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Sunday, May 21st

Fellowship Time

Wired Word Bible Study

9:00am.

Morning Worship

Pastor Clay Moyer

10:00am.

Congolese Worship

11:30am.

Romany Gathering

3:00pm.

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Monday, May 22nd

Food Cupboard

5:30pm – 7:30pm.

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Tuesday, May 23rd

Brownies

6:00pm – 7:30pm.

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Sunday, May 28th

Fellowship Time

Wired Word Bible Study

9:00am.

Morning Worship

Pastor Lynne Allebach

10:00am.

Congolese Worship

11:30am.

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Monday, May 29th

Memorial Day

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Tuesday, May 30th

Brownies

6:00 pm – 7:30pm.

THOUGHT . . .

***The more you miss church,
the less you miss church.***

Hope to see you.