HATFIELD MEETINGHOUSE

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NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

What does AARP say about church?!

"MEET, PRAY, LOVE"

While we're not sure whether churchgoing makes you happy or whether happy people tend to be religious, research shows that people who belong to a faith-based community – regardless of religion – and attend services more than once a week live as many as seven years longer than people who are not churchgoers.

Plus, churchgoers are less likely to engage in risky behaviors such as drug and alcohol abuse, are satisfied with less money and have less stress and a built-in social network.

If you belong to a faith community, you'll benefit even more if you volunteer. If you don't belong to one, seek new places of worship that suit your current values and beliefs.

In other words, . . . they count their blessings, and they volunteer.

We have places for you to volunteer!

Join us some Sunday at 9:00am for *Wired Word* Bible Study followed by Morning Worship at 10am.

OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

HATFIELDCOBFOODPANTRY@GMAIL.COM

More and more families rely on our food pantry to supplement their family needs. This in turn increases the demand for food. The limitations of food we receive at no cost and the growing need for donations is a real challenge we face. That said, we are pleased to be receiving turkeys again this year to distribute for Thanksgiving.



The food pantry continues to grow and serve the community because of Pastor Clay's leadership. John, Don and Annette will do their best to fill his shoes, which is a tall order.

We are very thankful for Pastor Clay's many years of service to the church and community

.... Don & Annette Hanks, Food Pantry Coordinators.



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Our Peace Poll is in place for everyone to acknowledge that we as the Church of the Brethren seek peace in all aspects of our lives.

So, remember to pack peace in your toolbox, hope in your briefcase, love in your lunch box, and may integrity, honesty and joy be your designer wear of choice.

May all who enter this sacred space experience the peace that only God can give.

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The 47th Annual Brethren Disaster Relief Auction, Inc., raised a total of \$302,800 through auctions, sales, activities and donations. Thank you to all who volunteered their time, purchased food and other items and made their donations through various churches. See you next year.



LEBANON VALLEY EXPO BRETHREN DISASTER RELIEF AUCTION 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA 17052
Friday September 26, 2025 and Saturday, September 27, 2025

OUR CHURCH IN ACTION



Reminders, Notes, Tips

- Please let your child's teacher or the office know if you have not gotten your child a flu shot yet. The Department of Health will come to check children's files yearly for vaccinations.
- Cold season is upon us. We consistently sanitize toys and classroom surfaces. We
 work with the children to use best practices to cover caughs and sneezes, wash
 hands, and prevent the spread of germs. If your child does become sick, we will notify
 you. They will need to be picked up within an hour, so germs are not spread to other
 children. If your child stays home due to an illness, please let us know. State
 regulations require us to track classroom illnesses. Your child will need to stay out of
 school until they are 24 hours, medication free of a fever, vommiting and/or diarrhea.
- Payment is due the Friday before, for the following week.
- Treats brought in need to be store bought due to allergies.
- Please make sure to check your child's cubby for papers from the office daily. All classroom work is to be taken home on Fridays.

Important Dates

Friendship House 28th & 29th- Closed

North Penn

1st – Closed 5th – Closed 25th- 29th Closed

New Happenings

- We are doing a coupon book fundraiser. It will have coupons for local restaurants and stores. Cost: \$25/book. If interested, see Connie Holbert or call the Day Care office, 215-855-1001. Thank you.
- Thanksgiving Feast will be on Wednesday November 20th. Families are invited. Our infants, 1s and 2s will start at 11:15am and 3s and 4s at 11:45am. Please let your child's teachers know how many people will be attending. We will be providing the main dishes. If you would like to donate any items, please use our online sign-up list or let your child's teacher know what you would like to bring.

Weekly Themes:

28th- 1st Pumpkins 4th-8th Stem/Steam 11th-15th Dinosaurs 18th-22nd Fall Foods 25th-29th Thanksgiving



FOCUS ON FOLKS!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

15 – Andi Bishop

17 – Paula Kinsey

21 - Clay Moyer

21 - Oakley McMahon

30 - Jean Wagner

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARY

10 – Don & Annette Hanks



Sunday November 3rd we will welcome new members into our church family. Please join us for this exciting time.

Directory Update

Kathryn Keim – Please remove the © cell phone number.

Sunday, November 10th following Morning Worship we will have our Congregational Business Meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend as we plan for 2025 and affirm what God has in store for Hatfield COB.

DON'T FORGET!!!!!

Turn your clock back on Saturday, November 2nd. Fall back in the fall.



STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION NOVEMBER 2024

Greeters

Don Hanks, Rob Hanks, Dan Sibley

Worship Leaders

03 – C Holbert

10 – Annette Hanks

17 – Robin McMahon

24 – C Holbert

Accompanist

03 - Annamarie Dieterle

10 – Annamarie Dieterle

17 – Annamarie Dieterle

24 – Annamarie Dieterle

Message

03 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

10 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

17 - Guest Dawn Blake

24 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

Steward Counter

Connie Holbert – Treasurer

A FEW TIPS ON HOW TO BE HAPPY!

- 1. Make up your mind to be happy. Learn to find pleasure in simple things.
- 2. Do the things you enjoy.
- 3. Do what you can for those less fortunate than yourself.
- 4. Keep busy. A busy person never has time to be unhappy.

FAITHFUL COMMUNITY What Is Happening?



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Saturday, November 2nd
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

TURN YOUR CLOCK BACK

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Sunday, November 3rd
Wired Word Bible Study
9:00am.
Morning Worship
Welcoming New Members
10:00am.
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Tuesday, November 5th
Election Day
Get out and vote.

Food Cupboard 10:30am – 1:30pm.

Saturday, November 9th ECR Worship Team Noon – 2:00pm.

Appreciation Dinner Pastor Clay & Linda Moyer 5:00pm. +++

Sunday, November 10th
Wired Word Bible Study
9:00am.
Morning Worship
10:00am.
Congregational Business
Meeting
10:45am.
ECR Worship
11:30am.

+++ Monday, November 11th Worshipful Work 7:00pm.

Saturday, November 16th Food Cupboard 8:30am. – 11:00am.

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Sunday, November 17th Wired Word Bible Study 9:00am.
Morning Worship 10:00am.
ECR Worship 11:30am.

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Tuesday, November 19th Food Cupboard 10:30am – 1:30pm.

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Saturday, November 23rd
Men's Breakfast
Heritage Restaurant
8:30am.
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

Sunday, November 24th Wired Word Bible Study 9:00am.
Morning Worship 10:00am.
ECR Worship 11:30am.

+++ Monday, November 25th Food Cupboard 5:30pm. – 7:30pm.

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Thursday, November 28th
HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Count your blessings.

Saturday, November 30th ECR Worship Team Noon – 2:00pm.

Decorating the Church for Advent/Christmas

Tuesday, November 26th at 6pm. All are welcome.
Come and enjoy the
Christmas Spirit!

Mark the Date: Tuesday, December 24th Christmas Eve Service 6:30pm. All are welcome!