

HATFIELD MEETINGHOUSE

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SEPTEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

A WELCOME BACK TO SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKFAST!

Come one, come all to our Welcome Back Breakfast on Sunday, September 8th at 9am during the Sunday School hour. It will be a time of good food and fellowship. Please bring a breakfast item to share. Place setting and drinks will be provided. Morning Worship will follow at 10:00am.



“WHAT DO BRETHREN BELIEVE?”

Please join us for this 8-week study to find out who are the Brethren and just what do Brethren believe in. This will be a refresher for current members and a study for those wishing to join the Church of the Brethren or anyone else who is curious about the Christian faith and the Church.

Start date is Sunday, September 15th at 9am. All are welcome.



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FELLOWSHIP PICNIC

Sunday, September 15th following Worship we are invited to the home of Don & Sue Bryant for a picnic. All you need to do . . . is show up and enjoy the good food and fellowship! Thank you, Don and Sue!!!! **What a wonderful way to celebrate the end of the summer.**

OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

FOOD CUPBOARD NEWS . . .

July 1st is the beginning of the Food Cupboard year (7/01/24 – 6/30/25) – which is the State of Pennsylvania’s fiscal year. Once the PA budget is approved, which includes the Department of Agriculture’s budget, we then know what amount our grant will be for the coming fiscal year. However, since budgeted monies do not get carried over from one fiscal year to the next, we are without any funds until the budget is approved. Because of the politics involved, it often takes months of wrangling before the budget is approved – some years, like last year, it was not settled until October! This year the budget was approved in July, and we were awarded a satisfactory amount of \$10,000.00 which works out to \$1,000.00 for each of the remaining months. With these funds we can purchase food from two different vendors: Driscoll Foods and Derstine’s Foodservice.



We still have funds in our Food Cupboard budget which we spend an average of around \$250.00 per food cupboard opening from Derstine’s. We usually can fill in the needed fresh vegetables like potatoes, onions, lettuce, and tomatoes. Since they are small orders, we need to pick them up at Derstine’s in Sellersville.

Not all our food is purchased. There are foods that are “no charge” to us but require us to order off menus and then pick up at various locations or be available for deliveries.

We pick up every Monday morning the other “fresh” (not always so fresh) vegetables at Manna in Lansdale. This produce is donated by Philabundance. We do not know in advance what is coming.

If you are wondering about our bread table, we pick up at Giant, in Hatfield, every Monday and Thursday – even on holidays.

We also can order from SHARE (a state sponsored agency) and Philabundance off their “free” order menus every week. While their menus can vary greatly from week to week, we are at times able to order canned vegetables, fresh vegetables, frozen meats, juice, cheese, eggs, cereal, pastas. What we order is delivered to the church on Friday’s. While the delivery time is not known, we must be available when the truck arrives to unload.

We also can pick up eggs from Alderfer Eggs at no charge should we not be able to get them through SHARE.

This gives a portion of the pick-ups and deliveries that are made on a weekly or monthly basis. Just a tad of the behind the scenes working!

---Pastor Clay



**LEBANON VALLEY EXPO BRETHERN
DISASTER RELIEF AUCTION
80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA 17052
Friday September 27, 2024
Saturday, September 28, 2024**

Reminders, Notes, Tips

SEPTEMBER

- We are constantly monitoring the door camera. Please do not hold the door for people you do not know.
- Please let us know if your child has any changes with their allergies or dietary restrictions.
- Flu season will be coming shortly. Just a reminder that flu shots for all children and staff are state required for those in childcare centers.
- Sunscreen will be applied until the end of September. If you would like it to be applied after, please let us know.
- Payment is due the Friday before, for the following week.
- Treats brought in need to be store bought
- Please make sure to check your child's cubbies for papers from the office daily. All classroom work is to be taken home on Fridays.

Important Dates

Friendship House

- September 2nd- Closed- Labor Day
- 9th-Grandparents Day
- 23rd-Picture Day

North Penn
2nd- Closed Labor Day



New Happenings

- If your child has a summer birthday or early September, we will be transitioning them to their new classroom on September 3rd.
- Paperwork will be sent out to be completed and signed. New emergency contact and agreement forms are required to be updated twice a year. The date on the forms is to be on or after the 1st of September.
- Grandparents Day will be September 9th. Please look for an invitation.
- Picture day is the 23rd. When we get more information, we will pass it along. If your child does not come that day, you may bring them between 8am and 9am to get their picture taken. Please notify us if you will be coming for just picture day.
- Yearly rate increases will begin the first week of September. New rates will be on your new agreement form.

Weekly Themes:

- 3rd-6th Back to School
- 9th-13th All About Me
- 16th-20th Family
- 23rd-27th Fall
- 30th-4th Friends

Teachers

- Teddy Bear: Ms. Wahida, Ms. Tiffany
- Busy Bunnies: Ms. Arlee, Ms. Priya
- Little Lambs: Ms. Gretchen, Ms. Charlotte

FOCUS ON FOLKS!



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

16 – Ruby Bean
17 – Kathryn Keim
29 – Bill Roth

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY - None

DIRECTORY UPDATE:

- ✚ Dan Sibley: 101 Washington Lane, Jenkintown, PA 19046
- ✚ Bob and Maureen Sibley: 101 Washington Lane, Jenkintown, PA 19046

COBYS 2024 BIKE & HIKE



Sunday, September 8th
Lititz Church of the Brethren
For the most current information,
See the bulletin board.

ANE District Conference 2024

October 11th and 12th

Christ's Ambassadors:

"Pursuing the Path of Reconciliation"

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

>**Registration** is open for the business session through September 15th. Register delegates early so that they can receive all the materials and email updates prior to Conference.

>**Worship is Friday**, October 11th at 7pm., at Mountville CoB, Angela Finet preaching.

>**Business Session is Saturday**, October 12th KAV, Brossman Commons, 8:15am to 4:30pm.

➤ Pastor Lynne is our Delegate.

DELEGATE BRIEFING

Tuesday, September 17th, 6:30pm

Online Only via Zoom

Link for briefing will be emailed directly to those registered for the Business Session

Spirit Care Seminar

This 4-session class is open to chaplains, volunteers, and others interested in spiritual care. People will meet Tuesday evenings, September 10th, 24th, and October 8th and 22nd. 6:30pm - 8:30pm, at Central Schwenkfelder Church, Lansdale. It is a free non-credit course with donations welcome. Discussion will include types of dementia and ministry afflicted patients, persons-centered care, ministry to families and other caregivers, aging, dying, and ministry at the end of life.

For additional information, contact Brad Mellon

DrBrad1996@outlook.com

Church of the Brethren Mission offering

We will be accepting offerings for "Missions" through September 15th. This offering highlights our passion in the Church of the Brethren for international missions and praising the Lord everywhere with our sisters and brothers around the world. Please note on your envelope or check, **"Missions"**. Thank you for helping to spread the gospel of God and His love.

FAITHFUL COMMUNITY

What Is Happening?



Sunday School at 9am
"What do Brethren Believe"
Begins September 15th

Sunday, September 1st
Morning Worship
10:00am.
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Monday, September 2nd
Labor Day
Enjoy!

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Tuesday, September 4th
Food Cupboard
10:30am – 1:30pm.

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Saturday, September 7th
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

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Sunday, September 8th
Welcome Back Breakfast
9:00am.
Morning Worship
10:00am.
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Monday, September 9th
Worshipful Work
7:00pm.

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Saturday, September 14th
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

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Sunday, September 15th
Sunday School
9:00am.
Morning Worship
10:00am.

Fellowship Picnic
Following Worship at the home of Don & Sue Bryant
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Tuesday, September 17th
Food Cupboard
10:30am – 1:30pm.

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Saturday, September 21st
Food Cupboard
8:00am – 10:30am.
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

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Sunday, September 22nd
Sunday School
9:00am.
Morning Worship
10:00am.
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Monday, September 29th
Food Cupboard
5:30pm – 7:30pm.

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Saturday, August 28th
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

Sunday, September 29th
Sunday School
9:00am.

Morning Worship
10:00am.
ECR Worship
11:30am.

STEWARDSHIP
SEPTEMBER 2024
Ministry Team:
Carl & Connie Holbert

Greeters:
Don Hanks, Rob Hanks and
Dan Sibley

Accompanist:
01 – Annamarie Dieterle
08 – David Himmer
15 – Annamarie Dieterle
22 – Annamarie Dieterle
29 – Annamarie Dieterle

Worship Leader:
01 – C Holbert
08 – Robin McMahon
15 – Annette Hanks
22 – C Holbert
29 – C Holbert

Message:
01 – Pastor Lynne Allebach
08 – Don McDonough
15 – Pastor Lynne Allebach
22 – Pastor Clay Moyer
24 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

Steward Counter:
Connie Holbert, Treasurer