



Announcements & Upcoming Events

JUNE 28-JULY 5, 2026

Worship Services

All are welcome to join us every Sunday at 10:30 am in-person or via [livestream!](#)

- **June 7-28**—Sermon Series: **Summer Vacation: Road Trip!**
- **July 5-August 2**—Sermon Series: **Summer Vacation: To the Mountains**

Our Sunday worship services are livestreamed to YouTube every Sunday and recorded for later viewing. The front of the sanctuary and the first few rows may be visible on camera. Please see an usher for assistance if you prefer seating that is off camera.

Faith Formation Summer Break

May 31 through August 30 there will be **NO Faith Formation classes** during the **9:15-10:15 am hour**. **SHINE** and **Nursery** care will be available during the worship hour starting at **10:15 am**. Faith Formation will resume on **September 6!**

Lunch Bunch

All are welcome! Contact Suzanne Taylor with questions.

- **June 28**—Centerville Diner 2
- **July 5**—No Lunch Bunch

Family Dinner

The Family Dinner originally planned for Sunday, June 28, has been cancelled. A new date for the next Family Dinner will be announced soon.

Sermon Series: Summer Vacation: To the Mountains

Sundays, July 5-August 2



In **July**, we will travel “To the Mountains”! Our worship time during these weeks will focus on scriptures set in or on mountains in the Bible.

Pastoral Care During Annual Conference

While pastors are away (June 27-July 2), several people will be helping with emergency pastoral care. During office hours (M-Th 8 am-4 pm), please contact the church office. After hours, please send a message to prayer@etowncob.org or contact Pastor Liz (717-366-4831).

Annual Conference Worship Livestream

Watch worship services via livestream. Services will be held Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed, at 6:45 pm (June 28-July 1) and Thurs, July 2 at 8:30 am. No fee. Click or scan the QR code for details and bulletins.



Special Church Council Meeting

Sun, July 12 after worship in the sanctuary. This meeting will focus mainly on the proposed **Pavilion Project** and voting on the next steps. Everyone is encouraged to attend! Packets will be emailed and paper copies available on **Sun, July 5**. A **Zoom** option is available.

Highlights...

- Annual Conference—June 28-July 2
- Church Office Closed—July 3
- Special Church Council Mtg—July 12
- National Youth Conference Pre-Trip—July 12-17
- National Youth Conference—July 18-23
- Vacation Bible School—Aug 11-14
- ANE Women’s Camp—Aug 14-15
- Etown Fair—Aug 24-29
- Church Picnic—Aug 30

An email with a link will be sent the morning of **Sun, July 12 at 10 am**.

A Special Invitation for Online Attenders

Are you interested in new ways to connect with our congregation from a distance? Would you like to get to know other livestream viewers? Please join us for an informal conversation on **Sun, July 19**, immediately after worship on Zoom. Contact the church office for a Zoom link.

Vacation Bible School (VBS)



All children ages 4-10 are invited to join us **Aug 11-14** from 6-8 pm each night for VBS. Registration opens **July 1**. Click or scan the QR code for registration



WEEKLY/MONTHLY ONGOING EVENTS

Visit our online [events calendar](#) for locations and updates of each event.

CROP Table

Sundays, under the church portico.

Donations can be made at time of pick-up with cash or check made out to "Etown CoB" with "CROP" in the memo line or [online giving](#) select "CROP."

PRISM Youth Group

Summer Break. This group will resume in the fall. All youth grades 6-12.

LGBTQ+ Working Group

Tues, July 7 at 7 pm, Zoom. All are welcome! Contact [Jim Beckwith](#) with any questions.

Men's Coffee & Conversation

Tues, July 7 at 8 am, The Stables, 521 Rutts Rd, Etown. All men are invited! Questions? Contact Barry Garman, Ben Hoffman, George Snavelly or Jim Hoffer.

Women's Bible Study

Summer Break. Contact [JulieAnn Keith](#) or [Chris Bucher](#) with questions.

Yoga

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm. Cost is \$7 per session. Contact [Peggy Shaffer](#) with questions.

Quilters

Wednesdays at 9:30 am, rm 230. Quilting Coordinator, Peg Over. Contact the [church office](#) with questions.

TransParentSupport@EtownCoB.org.

Memory Loss Support Group

Thurs, July 2 at 9:30 am, parlor. Contact [Barb Sweigart](#) with questions.

Chair Yoga

Thursdays at 10:30 am. Cost is \$7 per session. Contact [Peggy Shaffer](#) with questions.

Memorial Bells Rehearsal

Summer Break. Rehearsals will resume on **August 27** with a potluck meal. A handbell workshop will be available **Sept 6**. Contact [Jeffrey Clouser](#) with questions and to register for the workshop.

Knitting/Fiber Arts Group

Last Saturday at 10 am, Eisenbise home. All are welcome! Contact [Becky Eisenbise](#). Sponsored by the Nurture Commission.

Climate Crisis Action Committee

Thurs, Aug 20 at 7 pm, Zoom. All are welcome! Contact [Damon Wagner Fields](#).

Immigration Support Committee

TBD. All are welcome! Contact [Damon Wagner Fields](#).

Racial Justice Working Group

All are welcome! Contact [JulieAnn Keith](#) for date and time and with any questions.

TransParent Email Support Group

A confidential email group for parents and adults to support their transgender loved ones of all ages. If you are in need, contact:

Faithful Nonviolent Action Email Alert Group

If you would like to be a part of this email group, please send a note of interest to FaithfulAction@etowncob.org.

YOUTH EVENTS

Grades 5-12

- **August 2**—1st Sunday Hangout
- **August 16**—Sickman's Mill Tubing

Grades 9-12

- **July 12-17, 2026**—NYC Pretrip
- **July 18-23, 2026**—National Youth Conference

Etown CoB Booth at the Fair

The Witness Commission is organizing a congregational exhibit booth at the Etown Fair from **Mon, Aug 24 through Sat, Aug 29**. **Volunteers** from the church are needed to serve as hosts to the thousands of visitors who will be passing by the table during fair week. Click or scan the QR code to sign up for a time slot as a volunteer booth host.

Event Planner Needed

Do you like to plan events? Our congregation will be celebrating its **125th anniversary in 2027**. We are looking for a person or two who would be interested in coordinating a celebration! Pastors, the church board, and the Historical Committee will support with information and participation. Please talk with a pastor, Amy Karr, or the church office if you are interested in more information.

ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT (ANE)

ANE District Women's Camp

Aug 14-15, Camp Swatara. All women are invited. This year's theme is "Our Comeback Stories" (based on the book of Ruth) and the speaker is Marie Monville. Registration will open on **June 25** and close on **Aug 3**. Questions? Contact Karen Hackett at knk821@comcast.net or 302-540-6729. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration.



ON EARTH PEACE (OEP)

3,000 Miles for Peace

July 1-30, virtual event hosted through Racery. OEP invites you to join in this fun peer-to-peer virtual race fundraiser to support the work of OEP. Throughout the month of **July**, the OEP community will collectively walk, run, dance, swim, shoot hoops—anything!—to accumulate miles towards the goal and support the work of OEP. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration.



COMMUNITY PLACE ON WASHINGTON (CPOW)

Volunteers Needed

CPOW is building a strong maintenance team with plumbing, painting, HVAC, electrical, handyman skills, and related roles to keep their buildings running smoothly. If you are interested in helping, contact the Campus Manager at cpowmanager@gmail.com or 223-216-1923.

EVERENCE EVENTS

Kids and Money: Made Clear

Wed, July 15 at 2 pm, webinar. The money habits children develop early can last a lifetime. In this webinar, Everence walks parents, grandparents and caregivers through practical, age-appropriate ways to teach kids about earning, saving, giving, and spending wisely—from their first piggy bank to their first part-time job. You'll come away with tools and conversation starters you can start using right away, grounded in the values of stewardship and generosity. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration.



PARISH RESOURCE CENTER

- The **Pennsylvania Immigration Advocacy Clinic (PIAC)** is in need of childcare volunteers to play with children while parents have legal consultations. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact **Gabi Dolan** at gabi@connectprc.org.
- Parish Resource Center (PRC) is launching a new volunteer role called, "**Needs Navigators.**" Needs Navigators are PRC volunteers who assist to answer questions and meet needs of local immigrant individuals and families. Needs Navigators are supported closely by PRC staff and will follow PRC guidance and training. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact **Christine** at christine@connectprc.org.

HARRISBURG PRIDE

Sat, July 25, 11 am-6 pm

Soldiers Grove

400 Commonwealth Ave, Harrisburg

Worship Attendance

Sunday, June 21

In-Person: 146 Livestream: 36

Gifts Given

Cash, Checks & Square— June 16-22

General Fund: \$11,907.50

Designated Gifts: \$3,080.00

CROP: \$164.31

Pavilion Project: \$1,000.00

HISTORIC ROCK FORD

Celebrate America250

Thurs, July 2 and Fri, July 3 from 10 am-4 pm, Historic Rock Ford, 881 Rockford Rd, Lancaster. Celebrate America's semiquincennial (250th Birthday) at Historic Rock Ford! This two-day celebration will offer various free, fun, and educational activities throughout the day. **On July 2 at 3 pm, a trivia contest will be held.** Gather friends to form a team. These events are free. Buses will be running regular shuttles taking visitors from the parking. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration.



LOOKING AHEAD

- Handbell Workshop—Sept 6
- Bluegrass Lawn Concert—Sept 13
- Pizza with the Pastors—Sept 20
- Brethren Disaster Relief Auction—Sept 25-26
- Atlantic Northeast District Conference—Oct 2-3

Mark your calendars and watch for details and updates! You can find these events on the online events calendar.

COMMUNITY CORNER

You are Invited!

You are invited to share with the office staff ideas for local and community highlights that feature participants in our congregation. Please submit items to share by **12 noon on Wednesdays** to info@etowncob.org.

STAFF OUT OF OFFICE

Amy—July 3-12

STAFF AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Pastor Jason, Pastor Liz, and Pastor Naomi—
June 27-July 2

Please join us in praying for the
Palmyra CoB
congregation for the week of
June 28th.

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Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs, 8 am—4 pm, Fri, 8 am—2 pm.
Subject to change for holidays, vacation time or inclement weather.

June 28-July 18

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 Annual Conference 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Lunch Bunch	29 Annual Conference 5:30 pm Adult Inquirers Class	30 Annual Conference 6:30 pm Yoga	July 1 Annual Conference 9:30 am Quilters	2 Annual Conference 9:30 am Memory Loss Support Grp 10:30 am Chair Yoga CANCELLED	3 Church Office Closed	4 
5 10:30 am Worship	6 7 pm Christian Ed Mtg	7 8 am Men's Coffee & Conversation 6:30 pm Yoga CANCELLED 7 pm Resources Mtg 7 pm LGBTQIA Wkg Grp	8 9:30 am Quilters	9 10:30 am Chair Yoga CANCELLED	10	11
12 NYC Pretrip 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Special Church Council Mtg	13 NYC Pretrip	14 NYC Pretrip 6:30 pm Yoga	15 NYC Pretrip 9:30 am Quilters	16 NYC Pretrip 10:30 am Chair Yoga	17 NYC Pretrip	18 National Youth Conference

Event **Packets** can be found under "Forms" on the church [website](http://www.etowncob.org) or contact the Church Office for a printed copy. Regular Commission/Group meetings do not need to fill out an event packet.

If help is needed to register for any event please contact the Church Office at info@etowncob.org or call 717-367-1000. Thanks to a recent upgrade **Guest Etown CoB** church wifi is now available for use without a password.