



Announcements & Upcoming Events

JUNE 14-21, 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!**

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 14**—TJ Rockwell's
- **June 21**—Mangia Mangia

Newsletter Articles Due

July-August 2026 newsletter articles are due to the church office on **Mon, June 15**. Please submit all articles to info@etowncob.org.

Music for Everyone (MFE)

Community Chorus

Fri, June 19 at 7 pm, Etown CoB Sanctuary. This is a **free** concert and open to the public. Music for this evening's concert will include national and international music, with themes of peace and social justice. A concert for all ages!

Camp Swatara Saturday

Everyone is invited to join the Etown CoB group for the day on **Saturday, June 20**, even if you are not planning to camp overnight! You are invited to enjoy the splash pad, mini golf, hiking, and sitting around a campfire with friends. Bring a dish to share for a potluck dinner in the evening!

Mark Your Calendars!

- **VBS registration opens—July 1**
- **Special Church Council Mtg—July 12**
- **VBS—August 11-14**
- **Etown Fair—August 24-29**
- **Church Picnic—August 30**

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

- **Annual Conference (AC), June 28-July 2**, Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne, Indiana. **Non-Delegate Virtual Attendees are free**, register by **Tues, June 23**. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration.



Highlights...

Newsletter Articles Due—**June 15**
 Music For Everyone Community Chorus—**June 19**
 Etown CoB Camp Swatara Weekend—**June 19-21**
 Rise Up for Refuge with CWS—**June 20**
 Father's Day—**June 21**
 Annual Conference—**June 28-July 2**
 Church Office Closed—**July 3**

- **Witness to the Host City**
Alive Community Outreach



A faith-based organization with a mission to cultivate a community of nonviolence through relationships and education. We are collecting supplies (school supplies, snacks, feminine products) to send out with Pastor Liz to AC for **Alive Community Outreach**. All donations must be at the church by **Wednesday, June 24**. Click or scan the QR code for details and a full list of needed supplies.

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

Rise Up for Refuge with CWS Pennsylvania, Sat, June 20 from 10 am-4 pm, Etown CoB. As CWS honors World Refugee Day and Immigrant Heritage Month, they invite you to join CWS Lancaster and communities of conscience across central PA for a powerful gathering. They'll start the day



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."

Family Dinner

Sun, June 28, after worship, in Fellowship Hall. All are invited to this potluck meal! Pizza and drinks will be provided but you can bring along a dish to share. Hope to see you there!

PRISM Youth Group

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

LGBTQ+ Working Group

TBD. 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.

TransParent Support Group

1st Wednesday at 7 pm, Etown CoB. A confidential, private meeting for parents

and other adults to support their transgender loved ones of all ages. Questions? Contact:

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 in Sept, watch for details. Contact [Jeffrey Clouser](#) with questions.

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

Mon, June 15 at 7 pm, rm 106 & Zoom. 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.

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

- **June 20**—Camp Swatara Day
- **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

Grade 12

- **June 14**—Grad Sunday

with inspiring stories and celebrate victories from refugees and immigrant neighbors. They will then join together in interactive breakout sessions focused on concrete actions to protect our neighbors and advance justice, and connect with others to develop clear plans for ongoing advocacy and meaningful engagement in your community. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration.

BRETHREN HOUSING ASSOCIATION (BHA)

Harrisburg Senators Game

Thurs, June 18 at 6:30 pm (doors open at 5:30), FNB Field, 245 Championship Way, Harrisburg. **BHA** invites you to a fun evening at the ballpark as Brethren Housing Association is recognized as the Community Organization of the Night at an upcoming Harrisburg Senators game against the Erie Sea Wolves! Click or scan the QR code to purchase your ticket(s) by **June 17**. Questions? Contact Jessica Vinton at jvinton@bha-pa.org or call 717-233-6016 ext. 819.



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

Paying for College: Made Clear



Wed, June 17 at 2 pm, webinar. This webinar breaks down investing essentials in plain language. In this webinar, Everence will walk you through the full landscape of how families pay for college. 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 may include accompanying someone through intake with a local service provider (school enrollment, WIC, medical appointments), assistance with benefits applications, or assistance learning a new skill (public transportation, mail sorting, or other cultural orientation needs). 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.

MT GRETNA BIBLE FESTIVAL 2006

- **Annual Hymn Sing with Men in Harmony, Sun, June 21 at 7 pm**, Historic Tabernacle, 3rd St & Glossbrenner Ave, Mt Gretna. This program will be led by **Bob Kettering** and **Dr. Rod Shearer**.



Click or scan the QR code for details and the full list of Bible Festival offerings.

JUNE IS PRIDE MONTH

- **Lancaster Pride:**
Sat, June 20, 12-6 pm
Penn Medicine Park
650 North Prince St, Lancaster
- **Harrisburg Pride:**
Sat, July 25, 11 am-6 pm
Soldiers Grove
400 Commonwealth Ave, Harrisburg

Worship Attendance

Sunday, June 7

In-Person: 157 Livestream: 54

Gifts Given

Cash, Checks & Square—

June 2-8

General Fund: \$17,072.87

Designated Gifts: \$390.00

Tenant R & S: \$5,837.71

CROP: \$229.00

LOOKING AHEAD

- 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
- 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

Lt. Gov. Austin Davis Visits
Elizabethtown Child Care
Center (ECCC)

Lt. Gov. Austin Davis visited ECCC on to emphasize the Shapiro-Davis Administration's commitment to expanding access to high-quality, affordable child care. This initiative supports both working parents and employers, recognizing child care as a crucial workforce issue. The visit highlighted the Employer Child Care Contribution Tax Credit Program, which incentivizes Pennsylvania businesses to assist employees with child care costs. This program provides employers with a state tax credit amounting to 30% of eligible child care expenses, up to \$500 per employee annually. Visit PAcast.com to view the full article and video.



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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.

Please join us in praying for the
Conestoga CoB
congregation for the week of
June 14th.

June 14-July 4						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
14 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Pizza with the Pastors 11:45 am Lunch Bunch	15 5:30 pm Adult Inquirers Class 7 pm Immigration Support Mtg	16 6:30 pm Yoga	17 9:30 am Quilters	18 10:30 am Chair Yoga	19 Camp Swatara Weekend 7 pm Music for Everyone Community Chorus Concert	20 Camp Swatara Weekend 10 am Rise Up for Refuge 12 pm Lancaster Pride
21 Father's Day Camp Swatara Weekend 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Lunch Bunch	22 5:30 pm Adult Inquirers Class 6:30 pm Yoga 7 pm Nurture Mtg	23	24 9:30 am Quilters	25 10:30 am Chair Yoga	26	27 10 am Knitting/Fiber Arts Grp
28 Annual Conference 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Family Dinner 11:45 am Lunch Bunch	29 5:30 pm Adult Inquirers Class	30 6:30 pm Yoga	July 1 9:30 am Quilters 7 pm TransParent Support Grp	2 9:30 am Memory Loss Support Grp Chair Yoga CANCELLED	3 Church Office Closed	4 

Event **Packets** can be found under “Forms” on the church [website](#) 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.