

ELIZABETHTOWN CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN



March 24, 2019

FAITH FORMATION 9:15 A.M.
WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 A.M.

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE
**HYMNAL SUPPLEMENT

Third Sunday of Lent

GATHERING

Gathering Music Ensemble

Welcome, Announcements & Worship Theme

*Hymn *Bound together* Screen

*Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

*Hymn *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* 70
(Children may come forward during the last verse.)

Time with our Children

PRAYING

Call to prayer *This is my Fathers world* Genesis Ringers

Sentence Prayers of Joy and Concern

Congregational Response: *"Lord, hear this prayer."*

Silent & Guided Prayers

District prayers: Pottstown CoB (Pottstown, PA)

Prayer Response *Lord have mercy* Chancel Choir

GIVING

Making Resources Available

Offertory *Good people (Stand up, stand out)* Ensemble
(Please pass attendance pads at this time.
We invite visitors to share their addresses on these pads.)

ENCOUNTERING

Scripture Lessons Luke 13.1-9

Sermon *Fasting and Fruit* Dr. Carl Strikwerda

SENDING

*Hymn *Be thou my vision* 545

*Invitation to Christian Ministry & Parting Blessing

Postlude *Immortal, invisible* arr. Johnson

Feel free to be seated for the postlude or to use it as traveling music.

We move from worship to service.

MINISTERS: ALL THE PEOPLE

Pastoral Team: Jason Haldeman, Greg Davidson Laszakovits,
Pam Reist, Josh Tindall

Keyboardist—Elizabeth Tindall **Handbell Director**—Ron Bellamy
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Today, March 24, 2019

Following Worship:

Nurture Comm. Mtg (Parlor)

6:30 pm Lenten Taizé Service (Sanc, FH)

This Week

Monday, March 25

8:30 am Counters

9:00 am Women's Bible Study (Parlor)

7:00 pm Hospitality Comm. Mtg.
(Parlor)

Tuesday, March 26

10:30 am Chair Yoga (102)

5:00 pm Merry Magdalenes (Carpool @
4:30 pm, Isaac's, Mt. Joy)

6:30 pm Yoga (102)

Wednesday, March 27

8:15 am Carpool to LC Food Hub

9:00 am Quilters (230)

12:00 pm ANE 55+ Spring Luncheon
(Middle Creek CoB)

6:00 pm Children's Choir (CR)

7:00 pm Chancel Choir (CR)

8:00 pm Ensemble Practice (Sanc)

Thursday, March 28

6:15 pm Memorial Bells (CR)

**Memory Loss/Caregivers
Support Group**

The Memory Loss/Caregivers Support Group meets monthly in the Parlor on the **first Thursday of each month, 9:30 am–10:30 am**. The next meeting is **Thursday, April 4**. All are welcome. Contact Co-leaders Peggy McFarland or Pastor Pam with questions.

GET INVOLVED AT ETOWN CoB

Beyond These Walls Update

Campaign commitments and gifts total \$3.265 million. Thank you for your support and generosity. Every gift, big or small, counts. Questions about the campaign? Contact Donna Hollinger or Don Kraybill anywhere, anytime. Commitment Forms and other campaign materials are available in the narthex. All checks for the capital campaign should be clearly earmarked "Capital Campaign." Visit www.etowncob.org/capital-campaign. Fifth Sunday Forum, March 31 will feature the campaign.

Church World Service Disaster Bucket Challenge!

Today we kick off our goal of assembling 275 emergency clean up buckets for Church World Services! There are two ways you can help: 1) Pick up a bucket in the narthex after church and fill it with the necessary items! You will be provided with more info once you pick up the bucket regarding needed items 2) Donate monetarily to cover the cost of filling a bucket. We estimate the cost of each bucket to be \$70. A check can be placed in the offering. Please indicate the money is for "CWS Emergency Buckets." For more information, please contact Amy Karr.

Taizé Lenten Services 2019

**Sunday evenings, March 24, 31 and April 7, 6:30 pm,
Etown CoB Sanctuary**

Join us for a taizé-style worship experience for Lent! We will gather for songs, readings and silence, led by Pastor Jason. The evening will conclude with a dessert-buffet for fellowship.

Fifth Sunday Forum March 31

Our fifth Sunday forum in Fellowship Hall next Sunday will provide brief campaign updates and Q&A. Bring your questions, thoughts and advice. Campaign co-chairs, pastors and Church Board representatives will lead the discussion. Join us as we plan for the future.

Men's Breakfast with Conversation

Tuesday, April 2, 7:30 am

Country Meadows Restaurant, 81 Hershey Road, Etown
Pastor Greg will be present to share information about the Capital Campaign and provide an opportunity to answer questions about the process, sketches or campaign. If you are in need of transportation please notify Ben Hoffman, George Snavelly or Jim Hoffer. Newcomers welcome!

Upcoming Inquirers' Class

Sundays, April 7–May 19, 9:15–10:15 am

All are welcome – whether you are a newcomer or a long-time attender! Following the class, there will be an opportunity to become a member of this congregation for those who are interested. To RSVP please see a pastor or contact the church office at 717-367-1000 or info@etowncob.org.

BY THE NUMBERS

Last Sunday Attendance:

Sunday School — 108 Worship — 275

Gifts Given to our Church Ministries:

General Fund — \$7,740.82
Designated Gifts — \$484.96
Run For Peace — \$500.00
Capital Campaign — \$1,276.00

Camp Swatara Family Camp Weekend!

Father's Day weekend June 14–16

For years many families have enjoyed camping together at Camp Swatara and this year there are still some cabins available. Sign up on the Church Bulletin Board to reserve your spot or see Pastor Jason with any questions.

IN THE COMMUNITY...

Elizabeth Hughes Society Fundraising Event

Tuesday, March 26, 10 am–8 pm, Isaac's, Mt Joy
25% of the proceeds go to the club which then returns it to the community (Elizabethtown Library, ECHOS, etc.). You will need a form, please see Peggy Shaffer or Amy Carroll who will have them available after church.

Amish Identities in Changing Context

**Thursday, March 28, 7:30 pm,
Young Center, Etown College**

Presented by Joshua R. Brown, this is a discussion about the social and cultural changes from mother to daughter Amish settlements. Brown, the center's 2019 Kreider Fellow, is an associate professor of German and linguistics at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. For more information, call 717-361-1470 or visit www.etown.edu/youngctr/events.

Humanitarian trip to Vietnam

October 3–15

Travel with Peggy and Bob McFarland to join Brittany's Hope, a non-profit organization based in Etown, as we partner with orphanages and local communities to provide hands-on services to children and families. Travel to the exotic areas of Ho Chi Minh, Ben Tre, Nha Trang, Da Nang and Ho An. Trip price is \$3,200 and includes international and domestic flights, hotels, sightseeing and meals. Contact Peggy for more information.

The entire worship service is streamed-live and is available on YouTube for our partner congregations, shut-ins, absentee members & friends.

Next Sunday, March 31

Children's Faith Formation—Ages 0–5th Grade

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| Nursery | 0 to 2 years | 9:15–11:30 am | RM. 107 |
| Session 1 | | 9:15–10:30 am | |
| Shine | 2 to 5 years | | RM. 2 (LL) |
| Session 2 (2 Classes Offered) | | 10:30–11:30 am | |
| Shine | 18 months to 3 years | | RM. 8/10 (LL) |
| Shine | 4 to 5 years | | RM. 2 (LL) |
| Blaze | Grades K–5 | 9:15–10:15 am | Meet in FH |

Children's Church (K–3) dismisses from worship every 3rd Sunday to room 102

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| Youth Faith Formation | 9:15–10:15 am |
| Jr. High | Grades 6–8 RM. 102 |
| Sr. High | Grades 9–12 RM. 108 |

Adult Faith Formation **9:15–10:15 am**

5th Sunday Forum *Fellowship Hall*

Our fifth Sunday forum will provide brief campaign updates and Q&A. Bring your questions, thoughts and advice. Campaign co-chairs, pastors and Church Board representatives will lead the discussion. Join us as we plan for the future.

20/30 Somethings *Parlor*

Living the Questions 2.0

Intersections *RM. 110*

Wired Word

New Discoveries *RM. 101*

Please attend the 5th Sunday Forum.

Seekers *RM. 106*

Please attend the 5th Sunday Forum.

Good Shepherd *Pastor Pam's Study* *Discipleship and Mission: Called to Discipleship*

Worship **10:30 am**

4th Sunday of Lent: *Dying to live again* Pastor Greg

Following Worship:

Recycling (by shed)

6:30 pm Lenten Taizé Service (Sanc, ML)

Volunteers for Today, Sunday, March 24

Ushers: A Team: Capt. Gregory Epps, Asst. Capt. Greg Garber

Sound, Lighting & Video: Pat Dennehy & Kirk Kreider

Worship Center: Vada Clemens & Peggy Shaffer

Deacon Visitors: Barry & Sandy Garman (H), Bill & Kitty Puffenberger (RH)

Lay Visitors: Dave & Ann Royer

Missed a Sermon? Sermons, bulletins & newsletters are available in the literature racks or on our website www.ETOWNCOB.ORG.