



# Announcements & Upcoming Events

## JUNE 30-JULY 7, 2024

### Worship Services

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

- **June 2-Aug 25**—Named and Unnamed

Contact the church office with any questions.

Our 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 Hour

All classes are on summer break. Nursery and SHINE will be available during worship. Kids' Club will continue to dismiss during worship after Children's Time. Classes will resume as normal on **August 25th**.

### Lunch Bunch

All are welcome! Contact Suzanne Taylor with questions.

- **June 30**—Mangia Mangia
- **July 7**—Amato's Pizza

### Kids' Club Help Needed!

Helpers are needed during Kids' Club, Sunday during morning service. Interested? Contact Lynne Hockley at 717-468-2632.

### Women's Bible Study Breakfast

**Tues, July 30 @ 9 am**, Gus's Keystone Restaurant. All women are welcome. RSVP to Peggy Shaffer by **July 28th**.

### Etown CoB Pictorial Directory



We are excited to announce that we are creating a **NEW Pictorial Directory** that will be released at the end of the year! Get your cameras ready this summer! Take a great family/participant photo! Pets welcome! High Resolution, landscape photos work best. **All photos and information are due Oct 1**. Click or scan the QR code for instructions and information on how to participate! Or visit <https://etowncob.my.canva.site/pictorial-directory-2025>. If you have any questions or need help in any way, please contact the church office at [info@etowncob.org](mailto:info@etowncob.org) or call 717-367-1000.

### Special Church Council Meeting

**Sun, Aug 4, directly after worship**, sanctuary & Zoom. This meeting is to put forth a vote to call Pastor Liz to the congregation as 2/3-time pastor, beginning Sept 1, 2024. The vote would include two pieces: to call Pastor Liz to ministry at Etown CoB and to approve the compensation package. There will also be a final report and recommendation from the Endowment Integrity Committee. Please plan on joining us for this important meeting.

### Highlights...

- CoB Annual Conference—July 3-7
- Threads & Treads—July 20
- Special Church Council Mtg—Aug 4
- VBS—August 13-16
- Women's Fellowship Camp—Aug 16-17
- Etown Fair—Aug 19-24
- Church Picnic—Aug 25
- Annual Family Camp Auction—Aug 30-31
- Etown CoB Pictorial Directory—Due Oct 1

### Vacation Bible School

**Aug 13-16, Etown CoB.**



"Seekers in Sneakers," is this year's theme! All children ages 4-10 are invited to join us. Click or scan the QR code to register or contact the church office. Lots of volunteers are needed. If you'd enjoy helping with these fun evenings of playing, singing, and learning alongside the children of our church and community, please contact Lynne Hockley.

### Church Picnic

**Sun, Aug 25, directly after worship**, Etown CoB. All are welcome to join us for this Nurture Commission sponsored afternoon of fellowship, food and fun! Feel free to bring along a side, snack or dessert to share, and a place setting, lawn chair and a game to play.

## 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".

### Men's Coffee & Conversation

**Tuesday, July 2 @ 8 am**, Garman's  
All men are invited for coffee and conversation. Questions or transportation, contact Barry Garman, Ben Hoffman, George Snaveley or Jim Hoffer.

### Women's Bible Study

SUMMER  
BREAK

Topics vary. Contact [JulieAnn Keith](#) or [Chris Bucher](#) with questions.

### Yoga

CANCELLED  
JULY 2

**Tuesdays @**

**6:30 pm**, rm 101

Contact [Peggy Shaffer](#) with questions.

### Quilters

**Wednesdays @ 9:30 am**, rm 230

Quilting Coordinator: Peg Over

Contact the [church office](#) with questions.

### Racial Justice Working Group

**2nd Wednesday @ 7 pm**, Zoom

All are welcome! Contact [JulieAnn Keith](#) with questions.

### Memory Loss/Caregivers

#### Support Group

NO JULY MEETING

**Thursday, Aug 1 @**

**9:30 am**, parlor & Zoom

Contact [Barb Sweigart](#) with questions.

### Chair Yoga

CANCELLED  
JULY 4

**Thursdays @**

**10:30 am**, rm 101

Contact [Peggy Shaffer](#) with questions.

### Memorial Bell Practice

SUMMER  
BREAK

Contact [Ron Bellamy](#) with questions.

### Knitting/Fiber Arts Group

**Last Saturday @ 10 am**,

Eisenbise home. All are welcome! Contact [Becky Eisenbise](#). Sponsored by the Nurture Commission.

### Climate Crisis Action Committee

**Thursday, Aug 22 @ 7 pm**, Zoom.

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

## CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

### Annual Conference

**July 3-7**, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Online registration is open for virtual participants only. Worship services held during the conference will be available via webcast, no registration required. Click or scan the QR code for details.



## CAMP SWATARA

### Summer Camp Registration

You're invited to explore the program guide and find camps that you want to take part in this summer. Join in the fun at Camp Swatara. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration or call 717-933-8510.



## Jr/Sr High Youth Events

- **July 7**—1st Sunday Hangout
- **July 21**—Sickman's Mill Tubing
- **Aug 4**—1st Sunday Hangout

## ANE District Women's Camp

**August 16-17**, Camp Swatara.

All women are welcome to join in this weekend of worship, Bible study, singing, hiking, crafts, canoeing, swimming and more! This year's theme: Playground Rules with speaker Gail Koskia. Click or scan the QR Code for details and registration.



## Annual Family Camp Auction

Children's auction is **Fri, Aug 30 @ 7 pm**, main auction is on **Sat, Aug 31 @ 9 am**, East Lodge, Camp Swatara. Auction proceeds benefit Family Camp at Camp Swatara. If you would like to donate items to the auction contact Sandy Hughes at 717-679-1995 or Ryan Arndt at 717-926-1939 to arrange item pick up.

## SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY MINISTRY CENTER (SVMC)

### Continuing Education

Clergy and laity 2024 schedule. Click [here](#) for details or contact Karen Hodges at [Karen-Hodges@svmccob.org](mailto:Karen-Hodges@svmccob.org) or call 717-361-1450. CEU's available. A schedule is available on the community bulletin board in the Narthex.

## COBYS

### On The Airwaves

Learn about the crisis shortage of foster parents. COBYS has participated in weekly interviews on WIOV to showcase foster families and people who were in foster care and their experience



with COBYS. Click or scan the QR code to learn more.

## Back-2-School Drive

Help Support Foster Families through COBYS Back-2-School Drive. Click or scan the QR code for the Amazon Wish List for back-2-school items to be donated.



## Bike & Hike

Sun, Sept 8, 12-4 pm, Lititz CoB. Come join us to help support COBYS ministries by doing one of the following: Tasty Tour walk (for foodies), a 3-mile walk, 25-mile bicycle course or the 10-mile bicycle course and then enjoy an Incredible Ice Cream Celebration at the end. All proceeds support COBYS ministries. Registration opens July 8. Click or scan the QR code for information and registration.



## EVERENCE

### Free Medicare Workshop

Wed, Aug 22 @ 6:30 pm, Join this seminar to learn more about Medicare enrollment, medical & drug coverage, and supplemental plans. Click or scan the QR code to register or call 717-653-6662.



## PARISH RESOURCE CENTER

### Learning Opportunities

PRC has a variety of topics of interest and with Etown CoB's membership our congregation qualifies for discounted pricing for all of their seminars and webinars. Click or scan the QR code for details and registration or call 717-299-1113.



## SAMARITAN CENTER

### Open House

Fri, July 12 between 12-4 pm, 33 N Market St, 4th Floor, Lancaster. You are invited to come and meet the therapists, tour the new space, and enjoy light refreshments. Ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at 12:15 pm.

## CHRIST CHURCH UCC

### Threads & Treads for Kids

Sat, July 20, 11 am-3pm, Christ Church UCC, 247 S Market St, Elizabethtown. Come join in this family-friendly fundraising event which will feature food trucks, raffle items, BounceHouse, Dunk Tank, balloon art, face painting, music and more!

## MOUNT GREтна AREA

### Gretna Music

#### Summer Season—Through Sept 7

Click or scan the QR code for summer line up details, view special pricing, purchase online tickets or download a mail-in order form or call 717-361-1508 with questions.



### Mt Gretna Bible Festival

#### Through August 25

This year's Bible Festival includes ecumenical services, speakers, concerts and a children's program. Some concert highlights are Amy Yovanovich on July 7, Hymn sing with Bob Kettering on July 31, Handbell Festival on Aug 3 and the Susquehanna Chorale on Aug 18. Most events are held at the Tabernacle in Mt Gretna. Visit [mtgretnatabernacle.org](http://mtgretnatabernacle.org) for full event information or grab a brochure from the literature rack.

### Worship Attendance

#### Sunday, June 23

In-Person: 138 Livestream: 49

### Gifts Given

#### Cash, Checks & Square— June 18-24

General Fund: \$3,585.00  
CROP: \$65.00

## CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

### Training and Learning Opportunities

**Partner With Us** meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Click on the title for details.

**Refugee Welcome Collective Lunch and Learn** meets several times a month.

Click on the title for details.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- COBYS Bike & Hike—Sept 8
- Free Community Vocal Concert featuring Ana Santiago—Sept 13
- Women's Coffee & Conversation with Pat Leiter & Marie Monville—Sept 22
- Brethren Disaster Relief Auction—Sept 27-28
- Pictorial Directory Photo & Info Deadline—Oct 1
- Kingian Nonviolence Training Weekend—Oct 4-6
- ANE District Conference—Oct 11-12
- Fall Church Council Mtg—Nov 17
- Holiday Celebration—Nov 23
- Susquehanna Chorale—Dec 13
- Christmas Memories—Dec 14

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

## SUMMER PASTORAL CARE

During the summer at times when our Pastoral Team is unavailable, a team of volunteers with pastoral care experience will work together to provide congregational care to the best of their ability. Please contact the church office and they will contact the care team volunteer on call.

## STAFF VACATIONS

Amy—June 22-July 8. Contact Kurt Sollenberger for all emergency building needs.

## STAFF AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Pastor Naomi—July 1-July 7

Pastor Liz—June 30 pm-July 7

## SABBATH REST

Pastor Jason—June 9-August 24

Please join us in praying for the  
**Swatara Hill CoB**  
congregation for the week of  
**June 30th.**

### Church Office Holidays:

Thurs, July 4—Independence Day

Mon, Sept 2—Labor Day

Nov 28 & 29—Thanksgiving Break

Dec 24 & 25—Christmas Break

Dec 31—Closing at 12:30 pm - New Year's Eve

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](mailto:info@etowncob.org) or call 717-367-1000. Office hours are Mon-Fri, 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Subject to change for holidays, vacation time or inclement weather.

### Pastoral Team:

Jason Haldeman

[jason@etowncob.org](mailto:jason@etowncob.org) | 717-367-1000 ext. 2 | Mon-Thurs, 8:30 am—4:30 pm

Naomi Kraenbring

[pastornaomi@etowncob.org](mailto:pastornaomi@etowncob.org) | 717-367-1000 ext. 3 | Mon, Wed-Fri, 8:30 am—4:30 pm

Liz Bidgood Enders

[pastorliz@etowncob.org](mailto:pastorliz@etowncob.org) | 717-367-1000 ext. 5 | Mon, Wed 8:30 am—4:30 pm, Thurs, am

### Support Staff:

Kim Glass, Music Coordinator/Accompanist | [kim@etowncob.org](mailto:kim@etowncob.org) | 717-367-1000 ext. 4

Rachel Bucher Swank, Music Coordinator | [rachel@etowncob.org](mailto:rachel@etowncob.org) | 717-367-1000 ext. 4

Ron Bellamy, Memorial Bells Director | [ringinron@gmail.com](mailto:ringinron@gmail.com)

Crystal Crater, Office Administrator and Marketing & Communications Coordinator

[crystal@etowncob.org](mailto:crystal@etowncob.org) | 717-367-1000 ext. 0 | Mon-Fri, 8:30 am—4:30 pm

Brooke Bish, Administrative Assistant

[brooke@etowncob.org](mailto:brooke@etowncob.org) | 717-367-1000 ext. 1 | Mon-Fri, 9 am—2 pm

Amy Zimmerman, Facilities Manager

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## CALENDAR

### Sunday, June 30

**Potluck Breakfast Gathering @ 9:30 am**, fellowship hall

**Worship @ 10:30 am**, sanctuary & livestream

**Lunch Bunch @ 11:45 am**, Mangia Mangia

### Monday, July 1

**Witness Commission Mtg @ 6 pm**, Zoom

**Christian Ed Commission Mtg @ 7 pm**, parlor

### Tuesday, July 2

**Men's Coffee & Conversation @ 8 am**, home of Barry & Sandy Garman's

### Wednesday, July 3

**CoB Annual Conference**

**Quilters @ 9:30 am**, rm 230

### Thursday, July 4

**CoB Annual Conference**

**Church Office - CLOSED**

### Friday, July 5

**CoB Annual Conference**

### Saturday, July 6

**CoB Annual Conference**

### Sunday, July 7

**CoB Annual Conference**

**Worship @ 10:30 am**, sanctuary & livestream

**Lunch Bunch @ 11:45 am**, Amato's Pizza  
**Jr/Sr High 1st Sunday Hangout @ 12 pm**, rm 108

### Tuesday, July 9

**Yoga @ 6:30 pm**, rm 101

### Wednesday, July 10

**Quilters @ 9:30 am**, rm 230

**Racial Justice Working Group Mtg @ 7 pm**, Zoom

### Thursday, July 11

**Chair Yoga @ 10:30 am**, rm 101