



# Announcements & Upcoming Events

**OCTOBER 13-20, 2024**

## Worship Services

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

- **Oct 6 - Nov 10**—6 Principles of Kingian Nonviolence

## Faith Formation Hour

Every Sunday from 9:15-10:15 am

- **Children & Youth Faith Formation**—Ages 0—12th grade
- **Adult Faith Formation October 13**
  - **Discovery Class**, Dr Rebecca Dali, reporting on CCEPI and the state of Nigeria. rm 102
  - **Bible Exploration** with David Leiter, rm 106
  - **Young Adults**, Parlor
  - **Chalkboard Chat**, rm 110
  - **Sip N' Chat**, Memorial Lobby
- **Inquirers Class**  
Pastor Naomi's Study

## Lunch Bunch

All are welcome! Contact Suzanne Taylor with questions.

- **October 13**—Amato's Pizza
- **October 20**—Centerville Diner 2

## Inquirers Class

If you would like to learn more about this congregation and discern whether church membership is right for you, please join us for the next Inquirers Class series, on Sunday mornings during the Faith Formation hour

from **Oct 13 through Nov 24**. You may be new to the congregation or have been attending for some time and have not yet become a member.

## Voter Registration

**Sun, Oct 13**. There will be a table in Memorial Lobby with information and forms for voter registration. If you have been delaying this important task, we may be able to help you get this done! October 16 is the deadline to register to vote, or to update your information. Contact 1-877-VOTESPA (1-877-868-3772), [www.pa.gov](http://www.pa.gov) or [www.vote411.org](http://www.vote411.org) to get voting-related questions answered.

## LAST CALL! Pictorial Directory Submissions

Last call to submit a photo for the Pictorial Directory! You **MUST** submit a photo to be included in the PHOTO portion of the Pictorial Directory. There's still time to email your photo to the church office ([info@etowncob.org](mailto:info@etowncob.org)) by **Oct 16**.

## LAST CALL! ATTENTION ALL GROUPS!

There's still time to email your photo to the church office ([info@etowncob.org](mailto:info@etowncob.org)) by **Oct 16**.

## Nov-Dec Newsletter

Articles for the upcoming Nov/Dec *Along the Way* Newsletter are due **Mon, Oct 14**. Please send all articles to [info@etowncob.org](mailto:info@etowncob.org).

## Highlights...

Voter Registration Opportunity—  
Oct 13

Nov/Dec Newsletter Articles—  
Due Oct 14

ANE Older Adult Coffee House—Oct 15

LAST CALL! Pictorial Directory Submissions—Due Oct 16

Inquirers Class—Oct 13-Nov 24

Stroopies Tour—Oct 25

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner—Oct 26

Special Love Feast—Nov 3

Fall Council Meeting—Nov 17

Holiday Celebration—Nov 23

Remembrance Sunday—Nov 24

## Hurricane Relief

Help fill Clean Up Buckets for Brethren Disaster Ministries warehouse. BDM has distributed over 3,000 clean up buckets for hurricane relief efforts. Help to restock! Click or scan the QR codes to learn more.



Item Sign-Up  
or Volunteer



Monetary  
Donation

## 2025 Pledge Letters and Cards

Pledge letters and cards were mailed. Please return the cards to the church office or fill out the electronic form (click or scan the QR code) by **November 1st**.



## 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

**Tues, Nov 5 @ 8 am**, Garmans' home.

All men are invited for coffee and conversation.

Questions or transportation, contact Barry Garman, Ben Hoffman, George Snavely or Jim Hoffer.

### Women's Bible Study

**Tuesdays @ 10 am**, Zoom. Topics vary.

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

### Yoga

**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.

### LGBTQ+ Working Group

**3rd Thursday @ 7pm**, Zoom. Contact [Rose](#)

[Baer](#) with questions.

### Memory Loss/Caregivers

#### Support Group

**Thur, Oct 3 @ 9:30 am**, parlor & Zoom.

Contact [Barb Sweigart](#) with questions.

### Chair Yoga

**Thursdays @ 10:30 am**, rm 101. Contact

[Peggy Shaffer](#) with questions.

### Memorial Bell Rehearsal

**Thursdays @ 6:15 pm**, choir rm. Contact

[Ron Bellamy](#) with questions.

### Prism Youth Group

**Fridays @ 6:30 pm**, Youth

Room 108. All youth in grades 6-12

are welcome! Gatherings are open to everyone—regardless of gender identity or church affiliation.

Volunteers, click or scan QR code to sign up.



### 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

**TBD @ 7 pm**, Zoom. All are welcome! Contact

[Damon Wagner Fields](#) for info.

### Immigration Support Group

**Tues, Oct 29 @ 7 pm**, Zoom. All are

welcome! Contact [Damon Wagner Fields](#) for info.

## Stroopies Tour, Lancaster Sweet Shoppe & Southern Market

**Fri, Oct 25 @ 9 am**, Etown

CoB parking lot. Join us to learn

about Stroopies and their story of a company that provides meaningful employment to resettle refugee women in Lancaster. Space is limited to 20 people. Sign-ups have begun in Memorial Lobby. Contact Gina Strouse or the



church office with questions. Click or scan the QR code for info.

## Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

**Sat, Oct 26 @ 5:30 pm**,

locations vary. All are welcome

to join us for an evening of fun,

food, and fellowship. Hosts will provide a

main dish, and guests will provide a dessert,

salad, or vegetable. Sign-ups have begun in

Memorial Lobby. Contact Gina Strouse or the

church office with questions.



## Jr/Sr High Youth Events

- **Nov 22-24**—Weekend District Service Project, Washington DC, RSVP to Pastor Jason
- **Dec 1**—1st Sunday Hangout
- **Dec 2**—Service Project, Washington DC, RSVP to Pastor Jason
- **Dec 15**—Christmas Party

## Special Love Feast

**Sun, Nov 3**, Etown CoB fellowship hall.

This Special Love Feast will have an Election Day preparation focus. Join us in-person or via livestream for this special service that will begin during morning worship in the sanctuary and then move to the Fellowship Hall for feetwashing, a fellowship meal, and a time of communion. Deb Ziegler is in need of help before and after this event. Please contact Deb at 717-575-4637 or debzotr@hotmail.com if you are able to help.

## Upcoming Holiday Celebration

The Holiday Celebration Committee is looking for people to donate baked goods and hand-crafted items to sell or auction off during this event on **Sat, Nov 23**. Please contact Sandy Brubaker, Karen Ungemach or Peggy Shaffer if you are able to donate items.

## ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT

### Older Adult Coffee House

**Tues, Oct 15, 2-3:30 pm**, Lancaster

CoB. Savor coffee, tea and cookies and enjoy a special presentation *A Celebration of Music: Handbells* featuring Ron Bellamy. This event is FREE and NO registration required.

# CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

## Tiny Retreat

A tiny retreat is a chance to take a break from the day and, just for a moment, lay down all you are carrying. Retreat to a sacred space of beauty, scripture, and meditation. Be blessed. Click or scan the QR code to sign up to receive email notifications for weekly Tiny Retreats.



## 2025 BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRY TRIP

May 17-24, location is to be determined. Save the Date! Only 15 spots are available. Those who are interested in joining please contact Deb and Dale Ziegler.

## ETOWN COLLEGE

### CONCERT: Ephrata Cloister Chorus

Mon, Oct 21 @ 7 pm, Leffler Chapel and Performance Center. Featuring Ephrata Cloister Chorus and will also include music composed at the Lititz Moravian community. For more information visit <https://www.etown.edu/centers/young-center/events.aspx>.

### LEFFLER LECTURE: The Green Path Ahead: Indigenous Teachings for the Next Economy

Thurs, Oct 24 @ 7 pm, Leffler Chapel. Winona LaDuke an economist, environmentalist, and writer. LaDuke will share her vision for a transition, one that is equitable and just for everyone, including Mother Earth. <https://www.etown.edu/offices/president/lecture-series.aspx>.

## ECHOS

### Etown Emergency Shelter Volunteer Training

Volunteers needed for evening, overnight, morning, meals, and cleaning shifts.

- **New Volunteer Training—Nov 6, 6-8 pm**, ECHOS, 105 E Washington St, Etown
- **Returning Volunteers—Nov 7, 6-8 pm**, ECHOS, 105 E Washington St, Etown

Questions? Contact Carrie Stricker at [volunteer@echoslancaaster.org](mailto:volunteer@echoslancaaster.org) or call 717-361-0740.

### PA INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT (IPL)

#### PA IPL's 2024 Faithful Voter Reflection Guides

These guides are available in the literature racks in the narthex area outside of the sanctuary. You are welcome to take one. A digital copy is available: <https://action.interfaithpowerandlight.org/vg24english>

## 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.



## CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

### CROP Hunger Walk

Sun, Oct 20 @ 1:30 pm, Christ Lutheran Church, Etown. No one in this world should be hungry. That's why the Elizabethtown CROP Hunger Walk



### Worship Attendance

#### Sunday, October 6

In-Person: 170 Livestream: 42

### Gifts Given

#### Cash, Checks & Square—October 1-7

General Fund: \$1,456.00

Designated Gifts: \$277.00

CROP: \$49.05

Tenant R & S: \$7,007.41

#### Hollinger's ACH—September 1-30

General Fund: \$4,742.00

#### Breeze ACH—September 1-30

General Fund: \$5,560.78

Designated Gifts: \$320.65

Capital Campaign: \$505.30

is more than just a gathering of people in a place. Be a part of a movement, taking steps and raising funds to provide meals for those in our own community and supporting programs that create greater food security in communities all around the world. Click or scan the QR code to register.

### 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

- SERRV Items Sale—Nov 24, Dec 1 & 8
- 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.

## ETOWN COB COMMUNITY CORNER

### Hailey: Overcoming Hardships with Strength

Hailey and her family were featured in the newsroom portion of the Four Diamonds website. Four Diamonds is an organization who helps families that are dealing with childhood cancer. Hailey was diagnosed at age 7 with osteosarcoma, a type of bone cancer that begins in the cells that form bones. Click or scan the QR code to read about Hailey's cancer journey and to learn more about Four Diamonds and how they help families facing childhood cancer.



Please join us in praying for the  
**Brooklyn First CoB**  
congregation for the week of  
**October 13th.**

#### Church Office Holidays:

Nov 28 & 29—Thanksgiving Break  
Dec 24 & 25—Christmas Break  
Dec 31—Closing at 12:30 pm - New Year's Eve  
Jan 1—Closed - New Year's Day

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:

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## CALENDAR

### Sunday, Oct 13

**Faith Formation Hour @ 9:15 am**  
**Adult Inquirers Class @ 9:15 am**, Pastor Naomi's Study  
**Worship @ 10:30 am**, sanctuary & livestream  
**Lunch Bunch @ 11:45 am**, Amato's Pizza  
**Book Discussion with Pastor Naomi @ 1 pm**, Zoom

### Monday, Oct 14

**Church Board Mtg @ 6:45 pm**, rm 102 & Zoom

### Tuesday, Oct 15

**Women's Bible Study @ 10 am**, Zoom  
**Yoga @ 6:30 pm**, rm 101  
**Nurture Commission Mtg @ 7 pm**, Pastor Jason's Study & Zoom

### Wednesday, Oct 16

**Quilters @ 9:30 am**, rm 230  
**Finance Committee Mtg @ 7 pm**, rm 102 & Zoom

### Thursday, Oct 17

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

**Memorial Bell Rehearsal @ 6:15 pm**, choir rm  
**LGBTQIA+ Working Group Mtg @ 7 pm**, Zoom

### Friday, Oct 18

**Prism @ 6:30 pm**, rm 108

### Sunday, Oct 20

**Faith Formation Hour @ 9:15 am**  
**Adult Inquirers Class @ 9:15 am**, Pastor Naomi's Study  
**Worship @ 10:30 am**, sanctuary & livestream

**Lunch Bunch @ 11:45 am**, Centerville Diner 2

**Book Discussion with Pastor Naomi @ 1 pm**, Zoom

### Tuesday, Oct 22

**Women's Bible Study @ 10 am**, Zoom  
**Witness Commission Mtg @ 6 pm**, Zoom

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

### Wednesday, Oct 23

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