

News & Events

Mar 13-26, 2025

ECOB CHILDREN'S CENTER SUNDAY

Sunday, Mar 16 | 10:45 Worship
@ECOB

During this service we will celebrate what God is doing through the ECOB Children's Center. We will learn more about this important ministry as we recognize and give thanks to the staff, hear testimony and information from the Director, and experience the energy and joy of the ECOBCC children as they join with the ECOB Kids (10:45 service only) for storytime and a combined song!

Light refreshments will be provided between worship services for this celebration and the congregation will have opportunity to sign cards of appreciation and encouragement to the ECOBCC staff. The ECOBCC Art Show will also be on display in the Community Room!

New Addition to our early childhood program



Morning Pre-K Class

9am-12pm

Monday-Friday

3, 4 or 5 day per week options available
for \$20/day (includes a center-provided snack)

*will follow Ephrata Area School District calendar



Prepare your child for Kindergarten in a fun and nurturing Christian environment!

For More

Information:

info.cc@ecob.church

717-738-1012

JERICHO IS BACK!

Tuesdays, Mar 18, 25, & Apr 1, 8 | @ECOB
5:45-6:30 pm Light Supper, 6:30-7:30 pm Studies
Info on class offerings for adults, ECOBYOUTH and ECOBKIDS [HERE](#).

NEW ECOB WELCOME VIDEO

A friend of ECOB has offered to gift us with the filming and creation of a video about ECOB to share about what it is like to visit ECOB and more about our vision and core values. You may see him and others around filming in the next few weeks. Please welcome Hayden if you see him and help us thank them!

Sunday, Mar 16

Series: I AM: Jesus In His Own Words

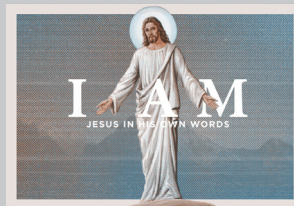
Title: "I am the Light of the World"

Scripture: John [8:12](#); [9:1-7](#)

Focus: Jesus alone is the hope of the world and able to give sight to the spiritually blind.

Pastor Brian, speaking

Sermon Series



Study Guide [HERE](#)

Lenten Congregational Guide started Mar 1 [HERE](#)

Sunday, Mar 23

Series: I AM: Jesus In His Own Words

Title: "I am the Good Shepherd"

Scripture: [John 10:11-21](#)

Focus: Jesus alone lays his life down for his sheep.

Pastor Brian, speaking

connect.

Contact: [Carol Bowman](#)

Updated as of Mar 12, 2025

Madison Teeples, surgery 3.7.25

Matthew Phillips, surgery 3.10.25

Bonnie Showalter, surgery 3.11.25

Gary Kulp, surgery 3.19.25

Nancy Shortuse, surgery 3.24.25

Linda Boyd, surgery 3.27.25

Bonnie Stephany, Ephrata Wellspan

THANK YOU - We have been so blessed by our ECOB family. Your thoughtfulness means so much to us. Thank you for all of the cards, calls, prayers, visits, delicious meals and treat and a lovely prayer shawl. Thank you for your caring and thoughtfulness. God Bless you all. Denny and Sandy Howe

2025 CHURCH DIRECTORIES are completed – pick one up in the Community Room. If your information is incorrect in the directory, please contact Carol Bowman, carol@ecob.church, with your updated contact information.

ECOB ALL CHURCH HUDDLE UPDATE
The ECOB All Church Huddle event previously scheduled for March 15th, has been cancelled.

MT TIN ROOF FUNDRAISER UPDATE
Mountaineers' Table received \$375 from our Tin Roof fundraiser, enough to pay for the next week's order from the food bank. Thanks to everyone who participated.

REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM
Do you wish you could give more to ECOB but money is tight? You can with the Redner's Save-a-Tape program! Here's what you do:

1. Get a Redner's Reward card.
2. Use your Reward Card at checkout.
3. Save the receipt and put it in the black boxes in the Community Room at ECOB. Redner's gives us 1% and it doesn't effect your cash points or gas discounts.



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Contact: [Stacey Coldiron](#)

HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVOR BAGS

Sun, Mar 23 | Before noon

Community Room

We will be collecting items to make bags for human trafficking survivors for Zoe International. These bags will be given to a woman when she is rescued from trafficking. Please pick up a tag with the item needed in the Community Room on March 16th. All items must be returned by Sunday, March 23rd. The youth at Elevate will be putting these bags together that night.



COMMUNITY MEAL

Thurs, Mar 20 | 4-7 pm

@Trinity Lutheran Church

ECOB will be preparing and serving this meal with opportunities for you to help volunteer or donate food. Serving will be during 2 time shifts. Sign-up in the Community Room.

ADAPTED EGG HUNT

ECOB IS EXCITED TO OFFER AN INDOOR, ADAPTED EGG HUNT TO ACCOMMODATE KIDS WITH DIFFERENT ABILITIES FROM AGES 3-10

**SATURDAY,
APRIL 12
1:00 PM**

**EPHRATA COB
201 CRESCENT AVE.
EPHRATA**

QUESTIONS? CONTACT STACEY
STACEY@ECOB.CHURCH
717-733-1229
WWW.ECOB.CHURCH

RSVP IS
REQUIRED
AT THIS
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BY APR 1



MOUNTAINEERS' TABLE FUNDRAISER @

10% of meal and drink sales that day will go to the Mountaineers' Table weekly food distribution program at Ephrata Church of the Brethren

**FRIDAY
MARCH 21
7 AM-9 PM**



**11 LONG AVE,
EPHRATA, PA
17522**



ECOBKIDS



kids through grade 4

Contact: [Michelle Nolt](#), Coordinator
Parents: Check in by Kid's Entrance **PRIOR** to Service

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUPS

9:45-10:35 am
Class 1: Preschool walking-PreK | Class 2: grades K-4

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Infant-2 & Preschool Care during 10:45 Service
Kids Church (K-4 grade) - kids attend beginning of 10:45 Service with family then are dismissed before the sermon.

ECOBKIDS TOT LOT

Tuesdays, Mar 18 & Apr 1 | 9:30-10:30 am
@ECOB Community Room
Free play for babies and preschoolers with an adult present. Coffee and Conversation for the adults.



ECOBYOUTH



students in grades 5-12

Contact: [Chris Reinford](#), Youth and YA Director

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUPS

9:45-10:35am (Teacher must be present before students go downstairs)
Class 1: grades 5-8 | Class 2: grades 9-12

UPCOMING ECOBYOUTH EVENTS



Sun, Mar 23 & 30 - ECOBYOUTH
Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Elevate (HS) 6-8pm
Sun, Apr 6, 13 & 27 - ECOBYOUTH
Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Elevate (HS) 6-8pm



ECOBYOUNGADULTS



Contact: [Chris Reinford](#), Youth and YA Director

CAFFEINATED CONVERSATIONS

Sunday, Apr 6
@Javateas Pavilion, 9:45-10:30 am



MONTHLY EVENTS

Wed, Mar 19 - Trivia Night @ORD, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Open to all ages!

ECOB, ECOBCC, AND MOUNTAINEERS' TABLE

RAIN OR SHINE!



EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 12
9AM TO 11PM

EPHRATA CHURCH
OF THE BRETHREN

STORY TIME, EGG HUNT, SNACKS,
CRAFTS, PRIZES

For more information contact
michelle@ecob.church

REGISTER HERE!



EASTER EGG HUNT HELP

We need some bunny like you to help with the ECOB-KIDS, ECOBCC, Mountaineers' Table Egg Hunt.

We need 3,000 pieces of individually wrapped, egg sized pieces of candy. If you can donate, please bring the candy to church this Sunday and place it in the bins in the Community Room between March 9-20 or sign-up to help in other ways [HERE](#).

CAMP SWATARA CAMP WOODCREST

Camp Tuition Assistance open March 15-April 15 [HERE](#).

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ECOBMEN MONTHLY BREAKFASTS

Sat, Mar 15 & Apr 5 | 7 am
@Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant
RSVP needed to ryan@ecob.church

GRAHAMS CAR & TRUCK SHOW

Saturday, Apr 26 | 10 am-1 pm
@ECOB Parking Lot
\$10/truck or car | \$5/motorcycle
Proceeds benefit ECOBMISSIONS

ECOBPRIMETIME OLDER ADULT LUNCHEON

Wednesday, Mar 26 | 12-2 pm
@ECOB
Please contact Linda at 717-733-4414, by email, or at church.
RSVP by Sunday, Mar 19.

ECOBWOMEN EXPO & MAKERS MARKET

Saturday, Apr 5 | 9-12 am
@ECOB
The ECOBWOMEN's Ministry is hosting vendors selling various crafts and goods, most handmade or designed by our talented makers. Shop for Easter and Mother's Day Gifts!
Sign-up [HERE](#) to be a Vendor by Friday, March 14.

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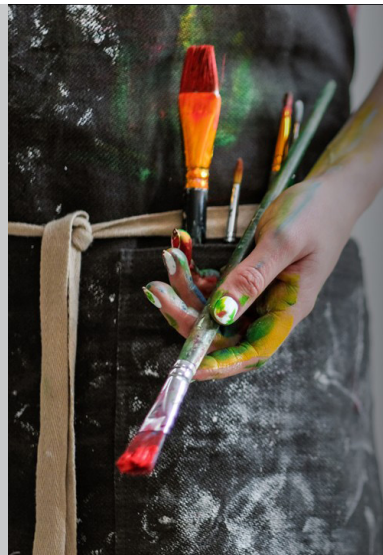
EASTER EGG HUNT CANDY COLLECTION

MARCH 9-MARCH 20

HELP US SERVE ECOBKIDS, ECOBCC, AND MOUNTAINEERS' TABLE FAMILIES WHO PARTICIPATE IN OUR EGG HUNT EACH YEAR!

3000 PIECES OF EGG-SIZED CANDY INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED

CANDYCOLLECTION BIN IN COMMUNITY ROOM



3rd Annual!

Expo & Makers Market

Sat, April 5 | 9-12noon
at ECOB

Vendors selling various crafts and goods, most handmade and designed by our talented makers. Mark your calendars now to shop your favorite makers all in one spot!

VENDORS -Are you interested or know of someone who may want to be a vendor at the Market? Reserve your spot NOW! Contact Carol Bowman at: Carol@ecob.church



ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT (ANE)

ANE SPRING INTO SWATARA

Sat, April 26 | 2-6 pm, 7pm Campfire
FREE fun-filled afternoon for the family including Campfire S'mores sponsored by the ANE Nurture Commission. Info [HERE](#).

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN (CoB) 2025 CoB ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2025 Church of the Brethren Annual Conference takes place in Greensboro, N.C., on July 2-6. Registration is now open including registering as a virtual nondelegate.
More info and registration [HERE](#).



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Download the Tithe.ly app—a safe and easy way to give any time. (select "Ephrata Church of the Brethren") OR give through the [ECOB website](#).

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN CORNER

Sunday Services (in-person and online): 8:30 am Classic | 10:45 am Contemporary
Office hours: Mon - Fri 9:00 am to 1:00 pm



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