

# News & Events

Mar 27 - Apr 9, 2025

## EASTER @ECOB 2025

Thurs, Apr 17 - Love Feast, 6:00pm

Fri, Apr 18 - Good Friday Service, 7pm

Sat, Apr 19 - Stations of the Cross,  
8 am - 5 pm @Sanctuary

## EASTER SUNDAY

Sun, Apr 20 - Easter Sunday Sunrise Service  
& Breakfast, 6:30am @ECOB  
8:30 & 10:45 am Easter Services  
and Life Groups in between



## LIVING HOPE

AN EASTER MESSAGE

## 5TH SUNDAY ECOBKIDS

Sunday, Mar 30 | Both Services @ECOB

A special time in worship for kids with no ECOBKIDS Church available.

## JERICHO ON TUESDAYS

Tuesdays, 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](#)

**Sunday, Mar 30**

**Series:** I AM: Jesus In His Own Words

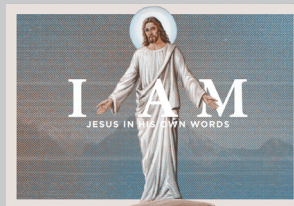
**Title:** "I am the Resurrection and the Life"

**Scripture:** [John 11:17-43](#)

**Focus:** Jesus alone is the one who has the power to give and restore life.

Cody Heagy, speaking

**Sermon Series**



Study Guide [HERE](#)

Lenten Congregational Guide [HERE](#)

**Sunday, Apr 6**

**Series:** I AM: Jesus In His Own Words

**Title:** "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life"

**Scripture:** [John 13:36-14:7](#)

**Focus:** Jesus alone brings authentic and abundant life to those who follow him.

Pastor Brian, speaking

connect.grow.live.radiate.



# connect.

Contact: [Carol Bowman](#)

Updated as of Mar 26, 2025

Nancy Shortuse, surgery 3.24.25

Linda Boyd, surgery, 3.27.25

Amaya Jones, surgery 3.28.25

**THANK YOU** for the calls, cards and prayers during my recent surgeries. I'm blessed by having such a caring church family. - Connie Fritz

## COCALICO COFFEE CRAFTERS FUNDRAISER

We apologize to any of you who showed up at Cocalico Coffee Crafters after 2 pm on Friday, March 21. Even though plans had been finalized in February, we were only informed the morning of March 21 that they were closing early that day.

## 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.

## ECOB STAFF APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Sunday, Apr 6 | Both Services

## ECOB STAFF RETREAT & OFFICE CLOSURE

This year's Staff Retreat will be taking place Apr 21-24. The church staff will be away for their annual retreat. This is a time of rest, prayer, and team building. Please be in prayer for the staff during this time. The church office will be closed whole week but the phone messaging system will be checked daily.



# radiate.

Contact: [Stacey Coldiron](#)

## SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, Apr 5 | 8 am- 12 pm

@ECOB

Help the Trustees on mulching day. Join us for any amount of time you can give. Bring rakes, wheelbarrow, shovels, etc.



## NATIONAL MISSION TRIP: KENTUCKY FLOOD RECOVERY

Sun, Oct 26-Sat, Nov 1

@Letcher County, Ky.

Join us to serve with Brethren Disaster Ministries to rebuild homes for families impacted by the deadly 2022 flooding. Minimum age is 15 (or 14 with a parent.) No cost to volunteer. To sign-up, contact [Dean](#).

## ECOBMISSIONS 2025 TRIP



SAT-SUN, JULY 26-AUG 3  
LOVE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC  
(RISING 6TH GRADE & UP)

SIGN UP NOW! DEADLINE - APRIL 15<sup>th</sup>!

SIGN UP  
[HERE!](#)

CONTACT [DEAN@ECOB.CHURCH](mailto:DEAN@ECOB.CHURCH) FOR INFO.

## 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](mailto:STACEY@ECOB.CHURCH)  
717-733-1229  
[WWW.ECOB.CHURCH](http://WWW.ECOB.CHURCH)

RSVP IS  
REQUIRED  
AT THIS  
QR CODE  
BY APR 1







# 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, Apr 1 & 15 | 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 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
- Sun, Apr 20 - Easter Sunday 6:30am @ECOB  
Sunrise Service & Breakfast

## GRADUATION SUNDAY

May 18, 2025  
Both Worship Services  
GRAD PARTY LUNCHEON  
12pm in the ECOB Pavilion



# ECOBYOUNGADULTS



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

## CAFFEINATED CONVERSATIONS

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



## MONTHLY EVENTS

Wed, Apr 16 - 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 11AM

EPHRATA CHURCH  
OF THE BRETHREN

STORY TIME, EGG HUNT, SNACKS,  
CRAFTS, PRIZES

For more information contact  
[michelle@ecob.church](mailto: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 by March 30 or sign-up to help in other ways [HERE](#). Help us stuff eggs on Wed, Apr 2 from 6-8 pm in the Community Room too!

## CAMP SWATARA

## CAMP WOODCREST

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

# grow.



## ECOB MEN MONTHLY BREAKFASTS

Sat, Apr 5 & 19 | 7 am

@Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant

RSVP needed to [ryan@ecob.church](mailto: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 ECOB MISSIONS

## ECOB PRIMETIME OLDER ADULT BREAKFAST

Wednesday, Apr 9 | 8:30 am

@Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant

Register by Apr 7 to Sam Frankhouser

([safh@ptd.net](http://safh@ptd.net) or 717-669-5720)

## ECOB WOMEN EXPO & MAKERS MARKET

Saturday, Apr 5 | 9-12 am

@ECOB

The ECOB WOMEN'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!

# live.

## ECOB MEET AND GREET

Sunday, Apr 13 | 9:30-10:30 am @ECOB Community Room

If you are new to ECOB or have been attending a while, we'd love to meet you (or get to know you better) and you'll have a chance to meet ECOB Staff, a few members of the Leadership Team and the Deacon chair. Tours of ECOB will also be available. Join us for 15/20 minutes following the 8:30 service OR at 10:15 before the 10:45 Worship Service. We hope you'll stop by for a casual time to get to know you!

## ART OF MARRIAGE

Thursdays, Apr 24-May 29 (6 weeks) | 6:45-8:15 pm @ECOB

Art of Marriage is designed to inspire and equip couples, whether newly married, seasoned, empty nesters, or part of a blended family. Reconnect and thrive together in the beautiful masterpiece of a God-designed marriage with Art of Marriage.

Free childcare. Any questions or to sign up please contact [Nancy Sensenig](mailto:Nancy.Sensenig).

**SOULED OUT**  
Prayer Time

WED NIGHT APR 9  
6-6:30 pm in Pastor Brian's office



## 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 FAITHX TRIP (formerly Workcamps)

Registration for summer FaithX service trips closes on Tuesday, Apr 1. There are still open spots on several youth and adult trips. More info about the trips and availability as well as registration can be found [HERE](#). **A few more are needed for the Uganda Trip.**

**TITHE.LY**  
Innovative church giving

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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