

News & Events

Apr 10-23, 2025



EASTER @ECOB 2025

Follow our Spirit Week Guide <u>HERE</u>
Thursday, Apr 17 - Love Feast, 6 pm
Friday, Apr 18 - Good Friday Service, 7 pm
Saturday, Apr 19 - Last Words of Christ Stations, 8 am-5 pm @Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, Apr 20
6:30 am Sunrise Service (led by ECOBYOUTH)
7:15 am Breakfast
8:30 am Classic Service
9:45 am Life Groups
10:45 am Contemporary Service



Study Guide HERE
Lenten Guide HERE

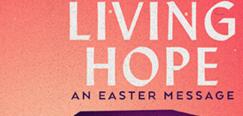
Sunday, Apr 13

Series: I AM: Jesus In His Own Words

Title: "I am the True Vine" **Scripture:** John 15:1-8

Focus: Jesus alone will help us bear fruit as we abide and remain in him.

Chris Reinford, speaking





Sunday, Apr 20

Series: Living Hope: Easter @ ECOB

Title: Christ Supreme

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Focus: Jesus's resurrection demonstrates his supremacy over all created things and his role in God's reconciliation of the world to himself.

Pastor Brian, speaking

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Contact: Carol Bowman
Updated as of Apr 9, 2025
Mike Groff, Ephrata Wellspan
Fred Leathery, outpatient surgery 4.9.25

SYMPATHY to Jane Wolf, on the death of her daughter, Peggy, on 4.6.25.

THANK YOU to everyone for the prayers, texts and cards for my surgery and recovery. They were very much appreciated! God bless everyone! Bonnie Showalter

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!

INDOOR BAPTISM

Sunday, May 18 | Both Services We will be holding Indoor Baptisms at both services on May 18 which is also Graduation Sunday. If you have interest in baptism or you already know you would like to be baptized, please fill out the form HERE by Sunday, May 4th.

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 the whole week but the phone messaging system will be checked daily.





Contact: Stacey Coldiron

TRUSTEE WORK DAY

Saturday, May 10 | 8 am- 12 pm @ECOB

All are welcome to join the Trustees to help with work needed around the church building, including will be mulching. Thank you to the over 20 people who helped on Spring Cleanup Day on April!



OF CALLS

CITY GATE LUNCH

Saturday, May 10 9:30 am-1:15 pm Food prep is for all ages. For serving downtown you must be 13 or older. Sign ups will be in the Community Room on April 27 and May 4. Contact <u>Stacey</u> with any questions.

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
SIGN UP NOW! DEADLINE - APRIL 15th!



kids through grade 4

students in grades 5-12

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 15 & May 6 | 9:30-10:30 am **@ECOB Community Room** Free play for babies and preschoolers with an adult present. Coffee and conversation for the adults.

ECOB, ECOBCC, AND MOUNTAINEERS' TABLE

RAIN OR SHINE!

1 TO 11AM

EPHRATA CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

STORY TIME, EGG HUNT, SNACKS,

REGISTER HERE!





CHILD/ **PARENT DEDICATION**

Sunday, May 11 | @Both Services **Contact Michelle** for info.

CAMP SWATARA

CAMP WOODCREST

Camp Tuition Assistance open March 15-April 15 HERE.

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, Apr 13 & 27 - ECOBYOUTH

Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Elevate (HS) 6-8pm Sat, Apr 26 - Car Show & Milkshakes, 10am-1pm, @ECOB Sun, May 4 - ECOB**YOUTH**

Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Elevate (HS) 6-8pm Sun, May 18 - ECOBYOUTH

Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Jesus Rally (MS/HS) 6-8pm



TESTIMONIES - TEACHING - FOOD & MILKSHAKES

Contact: Chris Reinford, Youth and YA Director

CAFFEINATED CONVERSATIONS

Sunday, May 4

@Javateas Pavilion, 9:45-10:30 am



MONTHLY EVENTS

Wed, Apr 16 - Trivia Night @ORD, 6:30 - 8:30 pm Open to all ages!



ECOBMEN MONTHLY BREAKFASTS

Sat, Apr 19 & May 3 | 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**PRIMETIME OLDER ADULT BREAKFAST**

Wednesday, May 21 | 8:30 am @Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant Register by May 19 to Sam Frankhouser (safh@ptd.net_or 717-669-5720)

live.

ECOBWOMEN/KID'S ICE CREAM FOR BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 3 | 9-10 am @ECOB (Drop in anytime)
This is a mother & child Breakfast but it is for ALL ladies!
Ladies, bring your mothers!
Mothers, bring your children or grandchildren - boy or girl, any age.
RSVP by Apr 27 HERE.

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. Free childcare. Any questions or to sign up please contact Nancy Sensenig.

CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

Wednesday, May 14 | 7:00 pm @ECOB Sanctuary



3rd Annual

Graham's Car & Truck Show

sponsored by ECOBMEN'S Ministry
Sat, April 26 10am – 1pm

\$10 per Car and Truck \$5 per Motorcycle free entry for spectators proceeds benefit ECOBMISSIONS!

Food by Ephrata Lions Club Milkshakes by ECOB**YOUTH**





ATLANTIC NORTHEAST

DISTRICT (ANE)

OLDER ADULT SPRING LUNCHEON

Wednesday, May 14 | 12 pm @Yoder's Resturant | \$25 /person Entertainment by musician Mike Miskie. Register by May 6 HERE or with Sue Eisenberger at ECOB.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN (CoB)

2025-2026 BVS APPLICATIONS

Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS) is accepting applications for the 2025-2026 year. BVS staff are offering a Zoom information session about volunteering on April 15 at 8 pm ET.

Get more info or register **HERE**.

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 <u>ECOB</u> 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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