



Vision:

To become a Presence-driven, prayer saturated, relational church, where people are loved, forgiven, healed, trained, and released to reach others.

Sunday School 9 AM Worship 10:15 AM

Dear Hempfield Church Family,

Next Sunday, October 4th, at the **10:15** am service, we continue our series, **Mission Possible**. The first week we looked at our Hempfield church mission and vision statements from the Biblical mandate. We then discussed the first practical step — making hospitality a priority. The second week we focused on community life — getting connected into small groups for exponential spiritual growth. Last week we examined Spiritual Gifts — everyone has a calling to ministry where your gifts and passion can be used for the kingdom.

This Sunday we will dig into the Biblical teaching regarding encouragement. God has called Hempfield church to become a place of encouragement. Each believer has the responsibility to care for, serve, and love others. Becoming other centered is a vital part of our preparation for eternity. Life can be difficult on this planet and all of us get beaten down sometimes. In God's preparatory kingdom, the church, we are called to be a place of refuge, renewal, healing and encouragement. We will be examining this part of our mission possible this week. We will celebrate communion at the conclusion. See you Sunday and don't forget to bring your Bible and invite a friend!

There is a **hymn sing** scheduled before the service from 10:03-10:13. Feel free to join us.

In Christ,

Pastor Greg & Pastor Dave

Quick Links:

[Bulletin Announcements](#) - What's Happening?

Mission Possible Series: [#1 - Hospitality](#)
[#2 - Groups](#) ; [#3 - Spiritual Gifts](#)

Coming Soon to a Church Near YOU! (FREE)
Family Movie Nights - Fridays @ 6:45 PM
Oct. 16 - ["Imagine That"](#)
Oct. 23 - ["TinkerBell and the Lost Treasure"](#)
Oct. 30 - ["Monsters vs. Aliens"](#) @ **7:30 PM**

Coming Events:

Friday, October 2

Free Coffee & Donuts - 7 Am

Sunday, October 4

Communion Sunday
Hymn Sing 10:03-10:13

Wednesday, October 7

1st Wed. Prayer Gathering - 7 PM

Fri-Sat, October 9 & 10

Men's Retreat in Carlisle, PA

Sunday, October 11

Child Dedication

Oct. 14 (7 PM) & 15 (9:30 AM)

Women's Bible Study Begins

Community Connection:

This past Sunday as we discussed Spiritual Gifts we gave out a **"Ministry Ability Questionnaire"** to every teen and adult within the congregation. Please complete these packets and RETURN them to either the box in the lobby or to the church office next time you come to HBIC. The purpose of the questionnaires is to take your spiritual gifts, abilities, areas of passion, and resources to help *determine the unique service God has called you to do*. If for some reason you did not receive a packet, please let us know and we will make sure you get one. (Note: Spiritual gift surveys are also available for anyone interested.)

Communion Sunday will be this coming Sunday, October 4 during the morning Worship service. The following Sunday, October 11 there will be a Child Dedication. If interested in having your child dedicated please contact the church office as soon as possible.

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Each Sunday, at 9 am the Sunday Morning Groups are in session. Walk-ins are always welcome! HBIC provides groups for all ages making this time ideal to go deeper into the word of God, make connections with other believers, and grow in your personal walk with God. Your children or grandchildren will also have an opportunity to grow in their faith and make friends with other children their ages. We find that those who connect in this way begin to build lasting spiritual friendships and find their spiritual growth advance exponentially. Check out a group this Sunday.

We purpose to ask God to make us effective in helping unconnected people find connection in the family of God. We know that unconnected people are dear to the Father's heart. He longs for all of his sheep to have a shepherd -- a place to belong. We believe God is asking each family unit to pray for, and reach out to, at least one person who is not connected to Jesus Christ or does not have any church family. Have you started your prayer list? Are you intentionally asking God for opportunities to extend hospitality, make connections, encourage, and invite?

Please remember the other useful items on our church website at www.hempfieldchurch.com. It is a valuable tool. Check out the Church Calendar, Photo Gallery, Videos, Sermons Online, Pictorial Church Directory, and much more. If you need the username or password for the restricted areas, just call Lisa at the office at 295-9800. Share this link with friends who might be looking for a church home, or connect them to a favorite message you think they might enjoy. Feel free to download or listen online at <http://www.hempfieldchurch.com/resources/sermons.html>

