

Welcome Newcomers!

We hope you sense God's presence and enjoy your time of worship with us today. We have a staffed nursery, Children's Church for ages 3 – 1st grade, which will be dismissed during the worship service, and Sunday school for all ages. If you need assistance in finding any of these areas, an usher or greeter will gladly help you. Please take time to sign in on the red attendance register in your row.

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Community Mennonite Fellowship

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Sunday worship service: 9:15 AM Sunday school: 10:45 AM

Our church office is open
M–F, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

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Looking Ahead

November 12	Blood Drive
November 18	8:30 AM Pre-Service Prayer Time
November 18	Congregational Budget Meeting & Fellowship Meal
November 18	The Milton Ministerium <i>Thanksgiving Praise and Worship Night</i>
November 22	Thanksgiving Holiday—Office Closed
December 7	Christmas Caroling
December 9	Advent Prayer Gathering

"Gratitude With a Capital T"

Luke 17:11-19

Sermon reflection and response

Like the 10 lepers, who stands at a distance from me relationally, separated by my self-imposed social boundaries, crying out for mercy?

Where have I recently seen a need for mercy and healing?

How have I recently given mercy to someone?

Does my gratitude begin with a Capital T?

To whom do I want to express gratitude with a Capital T?



Community Mennonite Fellowship

November 11, 2018



"God has blessed and equipped CMF to be a servant, a sender, and a mover of mountains, to bring the Gospel to where the need is greatest, to preach, teach, heal, build, and equip, carrying the peace of Jesus to the world."

Would you like to be prayed for today? After the sermon this morning, we will have a time of anointing with oil and prayer. If you have a prayer request or need, prayer team members will be available to pray with you following the anointing.

Affirmation ballots for 2019 CMF volunteer ministry leaders

were recently placed in members' mailboxes. Please return completed ballots to the ballot box on the Welcome Desk by next Sunday, November 18.



Tomorrow, November 12, an American Red Cross Blood Drive

will be held at CMF from 1:00-6:00 PM. Due to many recent natural disasters, the blood bank is in need of donors. To schedule an appointment, sign up in the lobby; call 1-800-RED-CROSS; or visit www.redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins are also welcome.



It's Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Time!

This year, there are two fun ways to give: 1) Pack your own Operation Christmas Child box(es) at home, or 2) donate items for our CMF kids to pack. Our kids and families are invited to a Packing Party this Wednesday, November 14, at 6:30 PM, where we'll decorate and pack shoeboxes for kids in need around the world. Check out the table in the lobby to learn more!

Our winter Sunday school quarter begins Sunday, December 2.

- Four new adult classes will be offered:
- **"Desperate for More of God—The Heart Cry of Every Believer,"** by Shane Idleman, led by Larry Seibert and Bruce Wilkins
 - **"Unshakable Hope,"** by Max Lucado, led by Mike and Olivia Platt
 - **"Discipleship, Community and Reconciliation: Foundational Values of CMF,"** led by Brantley Gasaway and Linford Good
 - **"Enough: Silencing the Lies That Steal Your Confidence,"** by Sharon Jaynes, led by Pam Jablonski
- Please sign up in the lobby today for the class of your choice.

Christ Wesleyan Church will host a "Holy Sexuality" weekend with Christopher Yuan, author of *"Out of a Far Country: A Gay Son's Journey to God. A Mother's Search for Hope,"* this coming weekend, November 17 and 18. Cards with information on seminars and topics are available on our Welcome Desk.

A Fellowship Meal and Congregational Budget Meeting will be held next Sunday, November 18. In conjunction with the fellowship meal, we will review the proposed 2019 CMF Budget. Please review the information that was placed in mailboxes last week, and bring your thoughts and questions to the meeting. Also, please bring two dishes for the fellowship meal—a main dish and either a side salad or dessert to share with everyone. (Please bring enough to feed your family and some extra to share with others!)

The Milton Ministerium's Annual Thanksgiving Praise and Worship Night will be held at First Baptist Church next Sunday, November 18, at 6:00 PM. All are invited to attend. Our very own Jessica Felix and Jamie Tyson will be participating with special music selections.

Our annual evening of Christmas Caroling will be held on Friday, December 7, from 6:30-8:30 PM. We will visit housebound folks from CMF who are unable to attend weekly services. To participate, please sign up at the Welcome Desk. Dress in your most festive Christmas garb! Joy Mertz will provide hats and scarves to accent our outfits. We'll end the evening with hot chocolate and cookies!

Flan Anyone? Congregacion Menonita Shalom, our sister church in New Columbia, is selling vanilla and cheese flan for your holiday festivities, at \$10 each. Order forms are available on the Welcome Desk and in the kitchen (on the bulletin board). Money will be collected on December 9 and flans will be delivered on Sunday, December 16. Pay by cash or by check (made payable to CMS and earmarked for flan), and place in Audrey Metzler's mailbox.

All are invited to an Advent Prayer Gathering on December 9, from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Advent is the perfect time to clear and prepare the way. Through reflection and prayer, reading and meditation, we can make our hearts a place where peace abides and where the birth of the Prince of Peace might take place. Join us as we prepare the way through Scriptures, singing, and prayer.

Spiritual Advisors are needed for incarcerated men and women. To learn more about this important ministry, contact Audrey Metzler at audrey@cmfmilton.org or Linda Meckley at lmeckley@juno.com.

♥ **Welcome back! Katji Jablonski has returned** after a year in Germany with Eastern Mennonite Missions, working with Muslim refugees and immigrants. She plans to further her education through Moody Bible Institute in the New Year.

👏 **Congratulations to Jeff and Judy Myers** on the birth of their new granddaughter, Ellery Jessamyn Hine, born on November 4, to Stevie and Jaela (Myers) Hine.

Last Week's Offering: \$19,924
(Current giving equals 84% of year-to-date budget.)
Last Week's Attendance:
CMF Worship: 222 Sunday School: 114



Children's Ministry

Shoobox Packing Party this Wednesday! Kids of all ages, you're invited to an Operation Christmas Child Shoobox Packing Party this Wednesday, November 14, at 6:30 PM, in Rooms 201 & 202. Please bring a special item (or several), to pack into a shoobox. (Some suggested "Wow" items are: soccer ball with pump, doll, stuffed animal.) Parents are invited to join us, too!



It's time for Christmas ConNects! Every Christmas, we offer classes where our kids can make homemade gifts for their loved ones. If you have any fun gift ideas, or would like to lead a class, please text or call Amy Goodwin by next Sunday, November 18 or sign up at the Children's Ministry Table. This is a great way to get to know our awesome CMF kids!

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

Ignite* (Grades 6-8) **and C4*** (Grades 9-12):
(see online newsletter for details)

C4 and IGNITE Wednesday Night Youth: Bring a Bible and a friend. This week, Ignite **BOYS** are in charge of snack.

C4 Fall Camp: Today, C4 youth and leaders return from Fall Camp @ Krislund. Please pray for a safe return and a Godly impact. This year's camp theme is "Identity in Christ."

Parent Meeting, December 2: Meet with Jim from 12:00-1:30 PM in the Youth Room to discuss youth matters, including summer mission trip details, 2019 events, ministry needs, and any concerns you may have. Lunch will be provided.

Christmas Vacation Lock-In: December 28-29, overnight event at CMF. Doors open at noon that Friday. Details are online.

All details for youth events can be found at:
<https://newsletter.dymapps.com/featured/2142>

Parents: Not getting REMIND messages?
Text @cmfparents to the number 81010.



*Young Adults**

Encounter: Young adults—meet with us for a meal and Bible Study at Jim & Keely's house, Tuesday, at 6:30 PM.

***For questions regarding Ignite, C4, or Encounter, contact Jim Hostetter, at 570-238-2250 or jim@cmfmilton.org.**

Join us for a fall Adult Sunday School Class today:

Sunday School Class:	Teachers:	Room:
<i>Your New Money Mindset</i>	Pastor Don Sharp	201
<i>Jesus > Religion</i>	Eric Ludovico & Dan Conklin	202
<i>Respect and Kindness (Women's class)</i>	Shelly Feerrar	204