

Welcome Newcomers!

We hope you sense God's presence and enjoy your time of worship with us today. We have a nursery that is open for your use (currently not staffed), 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.

Contact Us

Community Mennonite Fellowship

2985 Broadway Road, Milton, PA 17847

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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

September 6	Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday
September 11	Threads for Honduras Chicken BBQ & Benefit Auction
September 14	Women's Fall Bible Study Begins
September 18	Women's Breakfast at Country Cupboard
September 19	Newcomer's Lunch
October 2	Barn Party at Lapp's Farm
October 24	Outreach Seminar with Shelby Abbott
November 7	CMF Ministry Fair
November 11	American Red Cross Blood Drive

"Welcome Home"

(Proverbs 22:13; Hebrews 11:38; Ezra 3:10-13;
Nehemiah 1:3-4; Matthew 8:20; Matthew 13:57;
Hebrews 11:9-10; 13-16; Revelation 21:1-7)

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What were some significant things you missed about not being in the church building for worship during the crisis?

How does the thought that Jesus claimed to be essentially homeless affect your picture of homelessness?

They say "you can never go back home" in order to express the changes people undergo when they leave home. What changes did you find when you returned "home" as an adult?

What does it mean for you to live as a pilgrim and a stranger in this world?



Community Mennonite Fellowship

September 5, 2021



*Together,
pressing in toward Christ;
reaching out to the world.*



Would you like to be prayed for today? Every Sunday, after the sermon, an Elder is available at the front of the auditorium to anoint you with oil and pray for your needs. We encourage you to partake of this special time of prayer.



Human Bingo? Yes! Today is Fellowship Sunday!

Please stay for a special family event following the morning worship service. Snacks, coffee, and drinks will be served along with prizes for the winning family teams. There is no Sunday school today, so families can participate together in this Labor Day weekend fun!

The fall edition of the devotional, Rejoice is available in the lobby, in the seating area near the gym entrance. Published by Mennonite Publishing Network, the devotions seek to encourage believers in Christian discipleship.

A Threads for Honduras Benefit Auction and Chicken BBQ will be held at CMF this Saturday, **September 11**. The meal will be served from 4:00—6:00 PM (or until sold out). Reserve your meal by pre-purchasing a \$10 ticket. See Carolyne Landis or Reba Yoder.



A Newcomer's Lunch will be held on September 19, right after Sunday school for anyone who has recently started attending CMF and wants to learn more about who we are. To attend, please contact JoAnne Geiger, at joanne@cmfmilton.org or 570-742-7315.

Sunday School Kick-Off! Our fall Sunday school quarter begins next week, **September 12**. Adult classes for the new quarter will be divided into two 6-week sessions. Two classes will be offered during each session. Please see the box below. Next week will be "Promotion Sunday" for children and youth and they will move up to their new grade level classes. We hope you will join us as we kick off a new season of Sunday school!

Fall Adult Sunday school classes begin next week:

September 12-October 17		
Room	Name of Class	Teachers
In Person: Rooms 201/202	<i>7 Challenges Men Encounter</i> (A class for men)	Eric Ludovico
In Person: Rooms 203/204	<i>Meet Me at the Well</i> (A class for women)	Jean Springer
October 31-December 12		
TBD	<i>Colossians</i>	Josh Blank
TBD	Think Tank Group, "What's Your Heartbeat for Adult Ministries?"	Adult Ministries Team

"Now That Faith Has Come," a 7-week women's Bible study by Beth Moore, will begin on Tuesday, **September 14**. Ladies, we invite you to join us on Tuesdays from 9:00-11:00 AM, in Rooms 201/202. Contact Becky Saber at 570-412-1661, for any questions. Please sign up in the lobby and remember to invite a friend!



Ladies, join us for a Women's Breakfast on Saturday, September 18, at Country Cupboard at 8:30AM. This is a great time to invite our visitors, newcomers and friends. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

Our Annual Fall Barn Party will be held on Saturday, October 2, from 6:30-8:30 PM at Steve and Lynette Lapp's farm. Come enjoy great food, fellowship, square dancing, and a hayride to the pumpkin patch. This event is great fun for all ages! Remember to invite a friend! And help us out—if you plan to attend, please sign up at the table in the lobby.

Evangelism Seminar: See the flyer in mailboxes today! A three-part outreach seminar is planned for **October 24**, with Shelby Abbott—author, radio host, campus minister, and conference speaker on staff with FamilyLife, a ministry of *Cru*. Shelby's passion for university students has led him to speak at college campuses all over the country and author the books, *Pressure Points: A Guide to Navigating Student Stress*, *DoubtLess: Because Faith is Hard*, and *What's the Point?: Asking the Right Questions about Living Together and Marriage*. Our October 24 seminar will consist of three sessions:

- Morning worship service: "Trusting God in Seasons of Doubt"
- Sunday school: "Communicating the Gospel in Very Practical Ways"
- Final session (following a fellowship meal lunch): "Your Story—The Easiest Way to Share the Gospel"

Learn more about Shelby Abbott's ministry on Instagram/Twitter: @shelbyabbott or on the Web, at shelbyabbott.com. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for this special event.



Enjoying the Sunday morning coffee and snacks? If you'd like to help with our Sunday morning Coffee Station, we could use baked items each week. Please sign up at the coffee table!

tithes & offerings

Tithes and Offerings can be given through CMF's website at <https://www.cmfmilton.org/donate/>, or mailed to 2985 Broadway Rd, Milton, PA 17847.

Last Week's Offering: \$5,384
Weekly Need to Meet Budget: \$10,913
Last Week's Attendance: CMF Worship: 233
 (185 in person, 48 online)

Your tithes and offerings help fund the ministries of CMF and many more beyond our walls, making an eternal difference.

Children's Ministry

No Children's Sunday School Today—stay tuned after the church service for details on the family fun happening during our Sunday school hour!

Movin' Up Day is next Sunday, September 12!

Children's Church and Sunday School kids will move up to their new grade level classes! Our Sunday school teachers for the fall are:



- **Preschool-** Jenica & JoyAnna Blackstone (Room 206)
- **Kindergarten & First Grade-** Amy Goodwin (Room 207-208)
- **Second & Third Grade-** Keely Hostetter (Third floor, Room 307)
- **Fourth & Fifth Grade-** Barry & Judy Nolt (Third floor, Room 308)

Fall High Point! In October, we will kick off our fall High Point on Wednesday nights! Stay tuned to find out our next destination and how you can get involved.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

Ignite* (Grades 6-8) **and C4*** (Grades 9-12):

"2021/2022 CMF Youth Permission Forms" are available in the Refuge, by the church library, and online. Parents, please fill this out for each student in Ignite or C4 and return to Jim Hostetter, via his church mailbox, email, or text. Due this Wednesday, September 8.

C4 & Ignite Wednesday Night Youth Kick-Off, this week, September 8!

Ignite will be held from 6:00-8:00 PM and C4 from 7:00-9:00 PM. Bring a friend and your Bible and get ready for the fun to return! It's gonna be a "T-shirt kind of year!" What does that mean? Find out soon!

Youth Sunday School Time Change: Beginning September 12, Sunday school for youth (and all ages) will run until 11:45 AM, instead of 11:30.

Young Adults (Ages 18-25)

Fall Gatherings: Fall plans continue to develop. Experience community with other young adults. Contact Jim Hostetter.

See youth event details at:
<https://newsletter.dymapps.com/featured/2142>

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

