



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.

Contact Us

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



December 31	Church Office Closed
January 1	Happy New Year!
January 16	Commissioning service for 2022 Leaders
January 17	American Red Cross Blood Drive
January 29	Comedy and Laughter Night
February 26	Women's Retreat
February	Rod-Building Class
March 26	CMF trip to the <i>Museum of the Bible</i> , Washington, DC

"Not Home Yet, But Getting There"

John 16:28; John 14:1-3

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How do the prophecies and fulfillments of Jesus' coming fit into your faith?

When thinking about Jesus and His dual identity as both human and Divine, how do you find a way to understand it, the best you can, so your personal image or model supports your faith?

How do you envision Jesus' every-day interactions with His disciples?

How does your belief in Jesus' first coming help your faith for His second coming?



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



Would you like to be prayed for today? After the sermon, an elder will come to the front of the auditorium to anoint you with oil and to pray for your needs.

Today, there will be no Sunday school, to allow more time for families to visit and celebrate the birth of our Savior.

“Journey Through the Bible Passports,” for the New Year, are available in the lobby. Pick up a copy for each of your family members today!

Ballots to vote on the 2022 Budget are due today. Please return completed ballots to the Ballot Box on the Welcome Desk.

Offering Envelopes **Offering envelopes were placed in church mailboxes** last week. Offering envelopes are used for your convenience and to help keep giving confidential by assigning each giver a number. The envelopes also make it easier to track tax receipts. If you received envelopes in your mailbox but don't want them, please return to Erv Blank's church mailbox. If you did not receive envelopes but want them, please contact Erv at finance@cmfmilton.org.

Our church office will be closed December 31. If needed, please refer any pastoral care needs to Lois Miller or Naomi Wetzel, Pastoral Care Directors, or to one of the Elders: Ken Bergey, Norman Hoy, Jay Miller or Barry Nolt.



New Winter Adult Sunday School classes will begin next Sunday.

Two classes will be offered:

- “*The Book of Colossians*,” led by Josh Blank
- “*The Book of Genesis, Continued*” by Jim Schompert.

Please sign up for the class of your choice in the lobby, to help us prepare accordingly.

On January 16, a commissioning service will be held during the morning service for new and returning CMF leaders. Please pray for our leaders who faithfully use their gifts to bless and serve our congregation.

An American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at CMF on Monday, **January 17.** Food donations and volunteers to register donors and to serve refreshments will be needed. Sign-up sheets will be out soon.

If you're a newcomer to CMF or want to learn more about who we are, a “Newcomers' Lunch” is being planned for **January 30**, during which you can meet other newcomers and interact with the pastor and ministry leaders. Watch for details or see JoAnne Geiger, if interested.

New Small Groups! Would you like to participate in, facilitate/ lead, or host a small group? What a great way to get to know people, grow together, and deepen your walk with Jesus! In what type of group would you be interested? Sign ups will be available in January or simply reach out to JoAnne Geiger

Join us for a 4-week small group: The “Know Your Number” Workshop will consist of 4 classes to discover your Enneagram type and excellent basic knowledge of the *Enneagram*. Classes will meet Thursdays, January 6-27, from 6:30-8:30 PM in Room 203. Katie Bomberger of GuideSpring will lead the class. There is a \$40 fee and the class is limited to 8 people. Please sign up in the lobby as soon as possible. Make checks payable to CMF and put in JoAnne Geiger's mailbox.

A fishing rod building class will begin in the New Year. If interested, contact Larry Seibert, at 570-850-8946, by January 9, so supplies and components can be ordered in time to start in February.

Save the Date—“Comedy and Laughter Night”: On **January 29**, from 6:00-8:00 PM, join us for a night of comedy and laughter, featuring Dave Jones of WGRC and our own CMF comedians...a night filled with clean fun and laughter for the whole family.

Comedians needed for a “Comedy and Laughter Night.” Do you have a comedian hidden inside of you? If you have a knack at telling jokes or sharing funny stories, poems or songs, or even better, a skit, we invite you to share your gift with us on Saturday, **January 29**, from 6:00-8:00 PM. 3 Important guidelines: Content must clean, for everyone, and of course, funny! See Eric Ludovico if you have some comedy to share, or contact him at ericquercus@yahoo.com.

Save the Date! All women are invited to join us for our annual Women's Retreat, on Saturday, **February 26**, from 8:30-4:00 PM. Our speaker, our own LaVonne Yoder of GuideSpring, will share about ‘Soul Care.’ Watch for more details to come.

Winter Cancellations: In case of inclement weather, check [CMF's website](#) or [WGRC's website: wgrc.com](#), for possible cancellation of services. (Weather-related announcements are not announced on-air.)

Camp Hebron is Hiring: Camp Hebron is seeking a full-time Director of Operations and a Volunteer Ministry Coordinator. These are full-time positions with salary, housing, and benefits. For application materials email deke@camphebron.org or call 515-480-8962.

MDS (Mennonite Disaster Services) is also hiring: Learn more about the positions and qualifications on their website: <https://mds.mennonite.net/who-we-are/employment/#jobs>.

Golden Rule Love INC is in search of a new Executive Director. The position is part time, approx. 20 hours per week. Please send cover letter and resume to: Search Committee, at juliet.loveinc@gmail.com, or mail to: Search Committee, Golden Rule Love INC, 102 Lower Market St., Milton, PA 17847.

Children's Ministry



High Point Alaska is just around the corner! Kids in Preschool (age 4) through Fifth Grade are invited to join us Wednesday nights, January 26–February 2, from 6:30-8:00, check-in at 6:15 PM. We will be “traveling” to Alaska to learn about “Overcoming Disappointment.” Sign up in the lobby today, if you're able to come! Volunteers are still needed, so please get in touch with Amy Goodwin, at 570-490-6217, if you're able to help. Thanks!

Youth and Young Adult Ministries

“Embrace and Pursue Christ”

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

December Lock-In: School is out—let's stay up! C4, come hang out **December 29** and don't go home! We'll sleep over at the church. It will be a “wild game” night. What is that? Details online. (no Ignite this night)

C4 will be skiing in January! Ski cheaper with our group rate. Look online for details.

“Our Online Newsletter always has more information about events, but you can contact me with questions anytime, at 570-238-2250 or at jim@cmfmilton.org.”

~Jim Hostetter, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries

See youth event details at:

<https://newsletter.dymapps.com/featured/2142>

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



Young Adults (Ages 18-25)

College Students: It's good to have you home! Opportunities to connect with others continue throughout your time home. Watch our “GroupMe” app thread or check in with Jim.

Thanks to the many Grads: for your participation in the youth “Grad Panel” this past week. We love to hear about the exciting things in your life.

Last Week's Offering: \$16,254

Last Week's Attendance:
CMF Worship: 245 (55 online; 190 in person)
Sunday School: 77

