

# EMILIE OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**  
**9 AM - 1 PM**  
CLOSED ON HOLIDAYS

CALL: 215-945-5502  
 EMAIL: OFFICE@EMILIEUMC.COM

In Loving Memory of  
*Carole Lazzell*



**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Muffin Table Opens - 8:45 am**

Coffee & Pastries provided  
 Free love offering basket available

**Sunday School Options (for all ages) - 9:00-9:45 am**

Adult Sunday School - Library  
 Jr & Sr High Sunday School - Youth room  
 1st - 5th Grade Sunday School - front conference room  
 Kindergarten & younger - Nursery

**Online Worship Service**

**9:30am** - Online Worship Service.  
 Premiere live on our Facebook page and is then available to watch anytime thereafter.

**Worship Service - 10:00 am**

Worship service to include:  
 Backpack Blessing \*  
 Bible presentation for 3rd graders  
 Childcare provided for children ages 5 and under

**Backyard Picnic - 11:00 am**

Bring your own chair or picnic blanket and join the church family for a picnic following worship. Burgers, Hot Dogs, Sides & Drinks provided

**God Squad & Youth Group - 5:00 pm**

- See page 4-



**\*BACKPACK BLESSING FOR STUDENTS & TEACHERS**

During Emilie UMC's Homecoming Sunday on Sunday, September 19th, we will be blessing our teachers and students as they return to school. STUDENTS are asked to bring an empty backpack to worship so they can be given items to help them get off to a great start to the school year. If you will be worshipping virtually, but would like a goodie bag please RSVP by noon on Saturday, Sept. 18th.

Would you like to help show them some Emilie love by donating some small gifts? We anticipate 25 - 30 children and youth participating. Donations of school supplies and snacks can be dropped off at the church office (during office hours) or brought to worship on Sunday, September 19th.

*Please contact the church office or Ann Ermer with questions.*



## A NOTE FROM PASTOR MIKE

### All Things to All People to Win Some

By Rev. Michael Roberts Sr., D. Min

In a recent study of the Church at Corinth I came upon an intriguing text. The Apostle Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 9:22, "To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some."

This is quite a tall order, is it possible to be all things to all people all the time? Perhaps some could interpret Paul's words to mean he was a people pleaser. However, Paul says that he was "free from all men"; that is, he was not obligated to conform to anyone's ideas or opinions. He had been set free in Christ and was obligated only to be conformed to Christ. But Paul surrendered himself, actually made himself a servant to all people. So that he might win more people to Christ. Paul's going along with the opinions and customs of others does not mean he was compromising his convictions nor being two-faced. It means that he was walking close to people, gaining their confidence and trust so they would pay attention to his witness for Christ. He became as a Jew to the Jews, that is, to those who were under the law. When Paul was ministering to the Jews, he went along with their customs and laws just as long as nothing violated his walk in Christ. It's important to realize that Paul was not under the law.

Paul compromised with the Jews and all others when a principle was not involved. Acts 21:18-27 is a good example of just how far he would go to gain an entrance for the gospel. When a principle was at stake, he would not budge an inch (Galatians 2:3-5). He became a non-religionist to those who did not observe the law. Again, note a critical fact: he does not mean he became lawless and immoral. Paul became weak to the weak Christians. In other words, he went along with their petty rules and regulations. He abstained from doing some things that were perfectly legitimate. He conformed to their ideas and opinions just to have an open door to help them grow in Christ. He laid his personal liberty and rights aside in order to reach the new and weak Christians of his day. He would not risk becoming a stumbling block to them, nor would he cause them to shut him out of their lives by offending them and lose his opportunity to help them. He became as one of them in order to win them. Paul clearly states his purpose for conforming to the customs and opinions of people.

Today we see this attitude and approach in advertisement and marketing. It is important to understand the market and its needs. Also, among some politicians, a willingness to adapt and identify with people to win some. What if individual Christians and local churches actively took on the attitude and desire which Paul models in his epistle to the Corinthian Church. I imagine we may win some and lose some, but all for the sake of Christ.

# FALL WORSHIP OPTIONS AT EMILIE UMC

(IN EFFECT BEGINNING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH)



## IN-PERSON WORSHIP

**10:00am** - Blended Worship Service

Childcare for children in 5 years old and younger.

-Masks optional-



## ONLINE WORSHIP

**9:30am** - Online Worship Service.

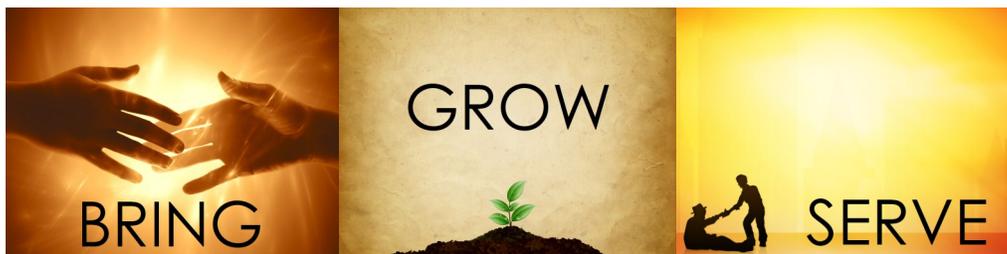
Premiere live on our Facebook page and is then available to watch anytime thereafter.



## PROFESSIONAL CHILDCARE

**5 years old and under**

Professional nursery care is provided in our Emilie nursery for children ages 5 and younger during Sunday School and our 10:00am worship service.



“Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.”

Psalm 150: 6

# MUSIC MINISTRY



Emilie’s Music Ministry has reconvened and is looking for a few new singers and ringers! Handbells and Sanctuary Choir rehearse at 7pm and 8pm respectively on Thursday nights and present their musical offerings during Sunday morning worship. Come and be a part of Emilie’s long-standing musical tradition. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Contact Ryan Fleming for further information.  
215-499-14734, ryanfleming55@yahoo.com



## Nursery Staff Needed

Our hope is to provide childcare every Sunday for families with children 5 years old and under. We are currently seeking the adults to help make this happen. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Ann Ermer or the Church office to discuss requirements, frequency, payrate, etc.

Ann Ermer: 805-395-0242  
Church Office: 215-945-5502



**HOMECOMING SUNDAY**

September 19th

-See page 1 for details-



**DAY SCHOOL FLEA MARKET**

September 25th, 8am-1pm

-see page 6 for details-



**Mission Trip 2022**

**Parent Meeting**

Sunday, September 26th

6:15-6:45pm in the Youth Room

Meeting for youth & parents.



Emilie's youth group is open to all youth in grades 6-12 and typically meets on Sunday nights.

**Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group—Fall Kick-off**

Sunday, September 19th

Held offsite - Contact Ann Ermer for details

**Youth Group Night**

Sunday, September 26th

Jr High (6-8th grade); 5:00 - 6:30pm\*

Sr. High (9-12th grade); 6:30 - 8:00pm\*

\*This is the typical Sunday night meeting times. A schedule of dates will be provided to the youth and on the church website.

Contact the church office or Ann Ermer to get more information about the Children & Youth Ministry offerings at Emilie UMC.



**Mission Trip 2022**

July 10-16, 2022—Boston MA

All youth 6th—12th grade invited to be a part of the mission team.

Meeting for youth & parents Sunday, September 26th

6:15-6:45pm in the Youth Room.



Sundays 5:00 - 6:30pm

Front Conference Room

First Meeting of 2021: Homecoming Sunday,  
September 19th

God Squad, youth in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade build lasting friendships with other

Christians and work together to make a community.

Join the fun and discover how easy it is to grow in your faith, outreach, and service to others.



This intergenerational group will meet one Sunday a month at 5:00pm to be the hands and feet of Christ as we strive to live out our Emilie UMC mission statement to “Serve others for Christ.”

The group will participate in a wide range of activities such as reaching out to our Emilie shut-ins, partnering with local nonprofits, and exploring what the Bible teaches about serving others.

## SERVICE CLUB

Please keep this new ministry in your prayers as we seek to follow the example of our Savior and friend, Jesus.

Please contact Ann Ermer at [annermer@yahoo.com](mailto:annermer@yahoo.com) or 215-945-5502 to sign up to help or for more information. Thank you!

Service Club Meeting Dates:

October 10th	February 13th
November 14th	March 13th
December 12th	April 10th.
January TBD	

## BIBLE STUDY & SMALL GROUPS AT EMILIE

### Tri-Club, Adult Sunday School

This adult Bible Study meets Sunday mornings at 9am in the church library. This class is led by Pastor Mike and uses a quarterly study.

### Service Club [new]

This group will meet the 2nd Sunday of each month beginning in October to participate in a wide range of activities to live out the 3rd part of our church mission statement “serving others for Christ”.

### Women’s Crafting Circle

The 1st Monday of each month this group of women share a time of devotion, crafting, & fellowship. Meetings are currently via Zoom and can be attended online or by phone. The hope is to transition back to in-person meetings in 2022.

### Women’s Bible Study

This Bible Study meets every other Wednesday at 10am in the Front Conference Room.

### Adult Bible Study

This Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 7:00pm via Zoom. Contact Pastor Mike for more information about this Bible Study. [pastor@emilieumc.com](mailto:pastor@emilieumc.com)

### Men’s Prayer Breakfast

Every Saturday at 7:30am the men of Emilie gather in the Chapel basement for a time of prayer, food & fellowship.

**For more information about any of these Bible Study/ Small Groups, contact the church office.**

215-945-5502  
[office@emilieumc.com](mailto:office@emilieumc.com)



## SECRET SISTER MINISTRY

November—December—January

This ministry is a way for our Sister’s in Christ to support, encourage & lift each other up in a fun new way. Participants are matched up and then asked to pray for, send notes and/ or small gifts to their sister anonymously for a period of 3 months. At the end of the 3 months you’ll learn who your Secret Sister is during a reveal gathering.

Women interested in participating are asked to complete and submit a Personal Profile by Sunday, October 17th.

Personal Profiles can be found on the Secret Sister table in the hallway near the glass doors.

Contact Cindy in the Church Office with questions or to join the next round.

[business@emilieumc.com](mailto:business@emilieumc.com)



**SCRIP CARD PROGRAM  
AT EMILIEUMC**

Emilie’s Scrip card program gives members the ability to purchase gift cards for various retailers, the church is able to purchase them at a discount and earns funds to support the ministries of the church.

How to order\*:

- Call the church office, 215-945-5502
- Email the church office, office@emilieumc.com
- Download the scrip app and use the following information.

www.shopwithscrip.com  
Enrollment Code  
DBCC755811556

\*Orders will be processed by the church office twice a month. Contact the church office with any questions or for more details.

**3 ways to give**



**BUILDING CHANGES  
FOR USING SPACE AT EMILIE**

With the restrictions to Covid-19 beginning to lift, church leadership is allowing Emilie’s Bible Studies & Small Groups to begin using meeting space in the building again.

**ALL GROUPS are asked to ensure their meeting(s) are added to the church calendar prior to holding any meetings in the church.**

Groups are asked to continue to distance from the Education Wing classrooms & bathrooms, as well the Library and back entrances during the hours the schools are in operation (Mon - Fri, 7:00am - 6:00pm).

The Front Conference Room (aka Cloak-room) is being made available for meeting use during the day, with attendees being asked to enter through the front glass doors.

**We kindly ask that anyone with a need to enter the church building during one of the week days, do so during the church office hours, through the church office entrance and with the knowledge of a church staff member. The goal is to eliminate meetings in all of the school spaces during their operating hours, to ensure the safety of staff & students.**



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At this time the Thrift Store remains closed.  
There is not currently a reopen date set.



**EMERGENCY RELIEF  
ASSOCIATION**  
FOOD PANTRY OF LOWER BUCKS COUNTY

Thank you for your generous donations to the local food pantry. Your contributions provided 74 lbs. of food during the 2nd quarter of 2021



**GUIDED LEARNING FOR  
YOUNG TODDLERS THROUGH PRE-K.**

Contact the school for more information about fall enrollment opening and staff opportunities.  
emiliechristiandayschool.com  
215-945-3131 ~ dayschool@emilieumc.com



**DAY SCHOOL FLEA MARKET**

September 25th, 8am-1pm  
\$15 PER SPACE

VENDORS MUST PROVIDE OWN TABLES  
To reserve a space or for more information call:  
Emilie Christian Day School: 215-945-3131