

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 – 5th 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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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 11 American Red Cross Blood Drive
November 13 Macaroni and Cheese Fellowship Meal
November 13 Congregational Budget Meeting
November 13 Hymn Sing at Rockwell Retirement Center
November 24 Happy Thanksgiving!
November 25 Church Office Closed
December 4 Youth Fundraiser Meal
December 9 Christmas Caroling
February 18-25 Healthy Niños Honduras Mission Trip

"Personal Preparation"

I Samuel 17:38-40

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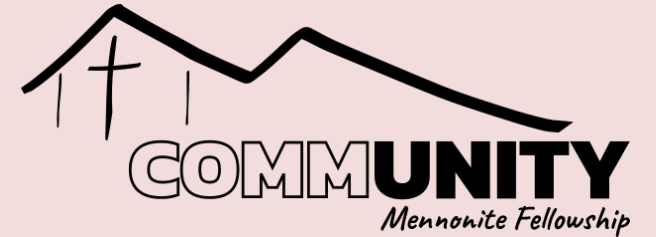
We all feel there are some things we have to do on our own. What kind of things should you get help with and what kind of things can nobody but God help with? Tough question...probably an answer you come up with in just a couple minutes is only a start on thinking about this.

Who do you consider to be your mentors? To whom do you go when you need a sounding board, advice, or someone to tell you you're messing up?

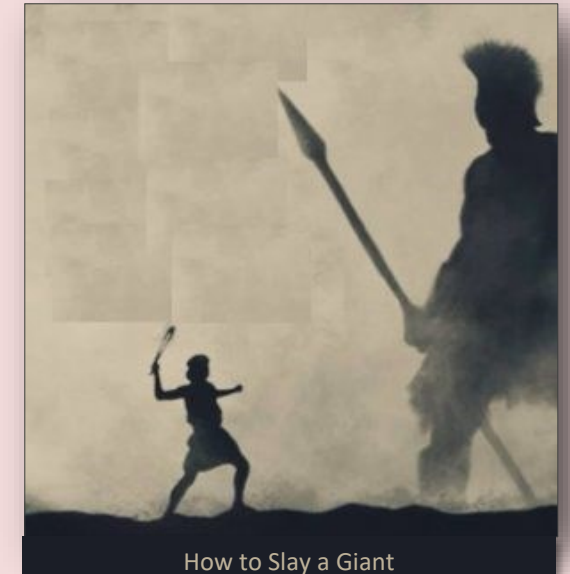
What are your strengths? How can they be used when you're facing a giant? What personal pitfalls should you avoid?

How David approached his giant: He...

- ✓ assessed the here-and-now implications.
- ✓ resisted discouragement.
- ✓ recognized and embraced the spiritual dimension of the problem.
- ✓ made a firm, unwavering decision.
- ✓ formulated a clear vision of what victory would look like.
- ✓ bolstered his faith by remembering how God worked in his past.
- ✓ got advice from those who knew more than he did.
- ✓ embraced his own strengths
- ✓ and energetically stepped up to the problem.



October 30, 2022



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

welcome



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.

Affirmation ballots for 2023 leadership positions are due today. Members, if you did not get a ballot, please see Ruth Robenolt. Today is the last day to return ballots.

Information on the proposed 2023 Budget and Constitutional changes is in church mailboxes today. Please look over the information and contact Erv Blank regarding any budget questions or Josh Blank about proposed Constitutional changes. Please plan to join us on **November 13** for a congregational meeting to discuss these topics.

Ladies, you can still join our Wednesday evening Bible Study! Join us, at 6:30 Wednesday evenings, as we work through Priscilla Shirer's 5-session study, *"Breathe, Making Room for Sabbath."*



Give the gift of life: On Friday, November 11, (Veteran's Day) from 11:00 AM-4:00 PM, CMF will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive. Register online at redcrossblood.org. Find our Drive by entering our 17847 zip code, then scroll down to register for a time slot. Walk-ins will be accepted if time permits. Volunteers for food, setup, and registration, etc. are also needed. See the table in the lobby to learn more and to sign up to help!

CMF Employment: Two part-time employment opportunities, a Spiritual and Family Discipleship Director and a Ministry and Outreach Coordinator, are available at our church. Job descriptions can be found on CMF's website or paper copies are available under the large bulletin board in the lobby. For consideration, send a letter of intent and resume to positions@cmfmilton.org by **November 11**.

Search Committee Update: The search for candidates for our two positions is actively occurring with ads placed on numerous job sites and postings. The committee is also reviewing job seekers' resumes and inviting them to apply. To date, the actual applicants for the positions are few but we have hope that God is calling the right people for the job. **The application deadline is November 11.** Please share our positions with others including on your social media accounts. We also ask that you continue to pray for this process.

Join us today for an adult Sunday school class:

Room #	Name of Class	Teachers
Rooms 201/202	<i>The Glory and Majesty of Creation</i>	Eric Ludovico
Rooms 203/204	<i>American History—In God We Trust</i>	Ron Mertz

On November 13, Session 2 Fall Sunday School classes begin!

Two new six-week classes will be held after worship. A sign-up table is in the lobby.

- Jim Schompert will lead a continuation of the *Book of Genesis*. This class is an in-depth conversation beginning with the life of Abraham. All are encouraged to come—no prior knowledge needed!
- Lois Miller and Rachel Wilkins will jointly teach a class on Prayer, *using the book, "Praying the Scriptures for Your Life,"* by Jodie Berndt. This class is also open to all, and new folks are invited! Please sign up for the class of your choice in the lobby.



A Fellowship Meal and Congregational Budget Meeting will be held on Sunday, **November 13**, after Sunday school. There will be macaroni and cheese judging – and who better to judge our mac 'n' cheese than the kiddos, of whom several will be chosen to tell us their favorites! Also, adults cannot live on mac 'n' cheese alone, so please bring other dishes and sides, too. It will be a yummy time for all, followed by a short congregational budget meeting.

Join us for a hymn sing at Rockwell Retirement Center on Sunday, **November 13**, at 2:30 PM. All are invited to come and sing! Contact Elaine Swartzentruber for more information or any questions.

Christmas ConNects: Each Christmas, we offer opportunities for our kids to make homemade gifts for loved ones. If interested in making a gift with our kids, or if you have a neat idea to share, please contact Amy Goodwin **by next Sunday, November 6**. It's a great way to ConNect with our kids and share Christmas joy in a small-group setting!



It's time to pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! You can help with this important ministry several ways:

- Purchase supplies and put in the lobby (ideas on table in lobby)
- Pack your own box and bring it in **by Sunday, November 20**
- Donate money to ship the boxes we pack (\$10/box—please place in Erv Blank's mailbox)
- Come to our **Packing Party** on **Wednesday, November 16**, at 6:00 PM to have fun packing boxes
- Help organize or provide snacks for the Packing Party (see Amy)

Harvest Offerings will be collected on November 20 and 27.

Please consider giving above your normal tithe as an act of thanksgiving to God! The offering will help a ministry loved dearly by CM—Gator Wilderness Camp in Florida. Gator Camp had significant damage to its Chief Lodge during Hurricane Ian. Let's help their efforts to support struggling teens! More info on the Welcome Desk.

Connections, our new mentorship program: Interested in being mentored by another person or couple in our church? Or would you like to mentor in response to the Holy Spirit's calling? Find a request form at the Welcome Desk or on our website, www.cmfmilton.org. Place completed paper requests in Shelley Feerrar's church mailbox.

Children's Ministry

High Point Wednesday Nights! Join us **this Wednesday** from 6:00-7:30 PM, for our last night of Fall High Point! Big thanks to all the volunteers who made it possible...we are so grateful for you!



Shoebbox Packing Party: On Wednesday, **November 16**, at 6:00 PM, let's pack some shoeboxes for *Operation Christmas Child* to bring joy to kids around the world! If you'd like to help organize this event or make snacks, please contact Amy Goodwin at 570-490-6217.

Next Sunday is Library Sunday! Library Sundays are the first Sunday of each month. Preschool—1st Grade attend a story time during Sunday school and can choose a book and/or video. 2nd—5th Grades don't go to the library as a class, but are invited to visit before or after Sunday school. There are many great books and DVDs from which to choose! We hope you'll visit our library soon!

Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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

"Wednesday Night Youth"— Friends, food, fun, Truth: it's what we do every Wednesday. Details online.



C4 Fall Camp: One of the best events of the year! High School Fall Camp get-a-way, November 11-13. Registration closes Wednesday at midnight. Know your "PURPOSE."

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

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



Young Adults



Young Adult Sunday Morning Connection: Meet in **Room 305** today. See Chris Long or Jim Hostetter for details.

Wednesday Group-Time: Great things are happening! Talk to Max Kennel, Mike Yoder, or Jim Hostetter for times and location.



Last Week's Attendance: CMF Worship: 217 (189 CMF; 28 online)
Sunday school: 87

Last Week's Offering: \$7,881
Weekly Need: \$10,160