

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

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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

"The Giant Falls Before God"

1 Samuel 17:41-51

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Have you identified your role and God's role in slaying your giant?

What is the spiritual dynamic involved?

What can God do that is beyond you?

Standing is an ongoing action that requires courage and stamina. What does it mean in your battle with your giant to "stand"?

Are you giving God credit throughout the process? In what ways?



November 6, 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.

Congregational Affirmation: 2023 volunteer ministry candidates have been overwhelmingly affirmed by member ballot. Thank you, leaders, for your willingness to serve with the gifts God has given you. And many thanks to the 48 members who returned their ballots.



Give the gift of life: This 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. 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!

Search Committee Update: The search for candidates for our two part-time employment positions, a Spiritual and Family Discipleship Director and a Ministry and Outreach Coordinator, 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, applicants for the positions are few but we have hope God is calling the right people for the job. Job descriptions are on CMF's website or paper copies are under the bulletin board in the lobby. For consideration, send a letter of intent and resume to: positions@cmfmilton.org. **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.



A Fellowship Meal and Congregational Budget Meeting will be held next 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 congregational budget meeting.



The proposed 2023 Budget and Constitutional changes were placed in church mailboxes last week. Please look over the info and contact Erv Blank with budget questions or Josh Blank about proposed Constitutional changes. Please plan to join us next Sunday, **November 13**, to discuss these topics.

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

A hymn sing will take place next Sunday, November 13, at 2:30 PM, at Rockwell Retirement Center. All are invited to come and sing! Contact Elaine Swartzentruber for more information or any questions.

Next Sunday, Session 2 Fall Sunday School classes begin! Two new six-week classes will be held after worship:

- 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.

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 **today**. 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 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 CMF—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.

Christmas plans are in the works! Caroling is slated for Saturday, **December 9**, and a **free** Christmas gift-making class, sponsored by Women's Ministry, open to all, will be on the calendar soon. Watch for details! Contact Rachel Ludovico if you have ideas or to help!

Everence will offer "Financial Basics" webinars on Wednesdays, November 9, & 16, at 2:00 and 8:00 PM. Pick up a flyer on the Welcome Desk or contact Mike and Sally Biddinger for more information or any questions.

Children's Ministry

A Big High Point "Thank You!" Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped to make High Point possible! We truly appreciate all you've done for our kids!



Shoebox Packing Party: Come pack some shoeboxes at 6:00 PM on **Wednesday, November 16**, 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.

Today 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. Worship together this week. Details online.



C4 Fall Camp: Pray for C4 and their leaders as they leave for Fall Camp this Friday and return Sunday. May everyone be inspired by God's plan and their "PURPOSE."

Belize 2023: C4 and parents, stay tuned for an opportunity to chat about the upcoming Youth Mission Trip.

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

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



Young Adults

CONNECT!

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: Worship: 201 (177 CMF; 24 online) Sunday school: 117
Last Week's Offering: \$11,751