

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

January 1	Happy New Year!
January 2	Office Closed
January 7	Women's Ministry Ideas Meeting
January 10	Women's Tuesday AM Bible Study Begins
January 16	American Red Cross Blood Drive
January 17	Congregational meeting, regarding the search process, 6:30 PM
January 18	Adult Ministries Planning Meeting
January 25	Women's Wednesday PM Bible Study
February 18-25	Healthy Niños Honduras Mission Trip

"Salvation History"

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Many people think of the Old Testament as disconnected from the New. Do you? Why or why not?

Knowing that there was no Protestant church until the 1500s places the tradition of your faith alongside folks we would think of as Catholic. Before that, basically all Christians were Catholic. For most of that time all church was very much as we think of Catholicism today. Is this challenging for you?

Do you think of yourself as a woman or a man of God? How does that phrase affect your view of yourself?

What do you think the contemporary church (the church at large, more than just CMF) needs to do to be more faithful to being God's people?



January 1, 2023



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





Would you like to be prayed for today? After the sermon this morning, we will have a time of anointing with oil and prayer. If you have a prayer request or need, prayer team members will be available to pray with you following the anointing. We encourage you to partake of this special time of prayer.



Our church office will be closed tomorrow, January 2. During this time, please refer any pastoral care needs to Pastoral Care Directors: Pamela Jablonski or Reba Yoder, or to one of the Elders: Ken Bergey, Norman Hoy, or Barry Nolt.

2023 Offering envelopes have been placed in church mailboxes. The envelopes are for your convenience and help keep giving confidential. They 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.

A fishing rod building class will begin in the New Year. If interested, contact Larry Seibert, at 570-850-8946, **today** so supplies can be ordered in time to start later this month or in early February.

Ballots to affirm the 2023 Budget are due today. Ballots were placed in members' mailboxes several weeks ago. The proposed budget is available online through the QR code or at the Welcome Desk. See Josh Blank or Ervin Blank with any questions.



All ladies! Let's meet to discuss Women's Ministry ideas this Saturday, January 7, at 9:00 AM, with coffee and donuts. Please contact Rachel Ludovico if you can make it!



Winter Adult Sunday school classes will begin next Sunday, January 8. Descriptions of the new classes were recently placed in mailboxes and extra copies are on the sign-up table in the lobby. Please sign up for the class of your choice, to help us prepare accordingly. Classes offered January 8-February 12 include:

- **Resolving Everyday Conflict**, Led by Pamela Jablonski
- **The Book of Genesis, Continued**, Led by Jim Schompert
- **No More Excuses (A Men's Class)**, Led by Norman Hoy & Jay Miller

Interested in being mentored or being a mentor? Request forms are on the Welcome Desk or at www.cmfmilton.org. Place paper requests in Shelly Feerrar's mailbox.

Our Wednesday night Women's Bible Study group will start the same study as our Tuesday morning group! You can participate in *Abide: A Study of 1, 2 & 3 John*, by Jen Wilkins, on Tuesday mornings from 9:00-11:00 AM, starting **January 10**, or Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 PM, starting **January 25**. In this study, we will discover the apostle John's words that challenge us to recall our great salvation and abide in the truth. Please sign up in the lobby!

On January 15, we will welcome new 2023 team leaders with a Commissioning Fellowship Meal. Come meet and eat with those the Lord has chosen to lead here at our church.

Red Cross Blood Drive: Mark your calendar for our next American Red Cross Blood Drive on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, **January 16**. Help save lives! Schedule your donation at www.redcrossblood.org.



Save the Date **A congregational meeting is tentatively planned** for Tuesday, **January 17**, at 6:30 PM, to discuss next steps in the search process for our Congregational Ministries positions. Please mark your calendar and watch for more information.

Interested in planning and helping with Adult Ministries? Join us for a planning meeting **January 18**, at 7:00 PM. It takes a village to plan and make our various ministry events successful! Contact John Peachey, Eric Ludovico, or Rachel Ludovico to learn more.

Honduras Mission Team Wish List: A team of 18, including 6 from CMF, will be heading to Honduras from **February 18- 25** to serve with *Healthy Ninos Honduras*. We are excited to share the love of Jesus by walking alongside our brothers and sisters in Christ, helping to provide medical care and pouring cement flooring. Please check out the display in the lobby and the flyer in mailboxes today to see how you can join in our efforts. Wish List items need to be brought to **CMF by January 22**. Thank you!

If you're a newcomer to CMF and want to learn more about us, a "Newcomers' Lunch" is planned for **February 5**, after Sunday school. During the luncheon, you can meet other newcomers and interact with the pastor and ministry leaders. Watch for details or contact Rachel Ludovico.


Winter Cancellations: In case of inclement weather, check **CMF's website** or **WGRC's website: wgrc.com**, for possible cancellation.

✓ **Please remember to check your church mailbox** and under the mailboxes for dishes and miscellaneous items.

Welcome, 2023!

Children's Ministry

Happy New Year! This morning, we will have Children's Church for ages 3 through 2nd Grade. **C.C. Boom will not meet.* There will be no Sunday school today.




Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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

YOUTH GROUP **"Wednesday Night Youth"—January 4,** Normal Youth times return. Ignite 6:00-7:30 PM, C4 is 7:00-8:30 PM. Happy New Year! You Belong.



Belize 2023: Be on the lookout for registration information this coming week; team meeting schedules; and future fundraisers.


Pot Pie 2023: "Can't wait for that smokey taste!" All of Ignite and C4 students are asked to jump in. Get your fundraiser sheet at Youth and hook your friends, family, and neighbors up with some of the best soup out there. We need many volunteers (students and family) on January 27 & 28 to make this stuff.

"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

Young Adult Sunday Morning Connection: We've been making adjustments. See Chris Long or Jim Hostetter for details.

Wednesday Group-Time: Connect with others on Wednesdays. Talk to Max Kennel, Mike Yoder, or Jim Hostetter for times and location.

Volleyball: Who wants to play some volleyball? Let Jim Hostetter know of your interest and we can get some games together before break is over.

Last Week's Attendance: Worship: 177 (139 CMF; 38 online)

Last Week's Offering: \$5,860

