

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
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Looking Ahead

December 4 **This morning!** Youth Fundraiser Meal

December 4 **Tonight!** Advent Prayer Gathering,
6:30 PM

December 9 Christmas Caroling, 5:30 PM

December 14 Make & Give Workshop, 6:30-8:30 PM

December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service,
6:30 PM

January 17 Women's Tuesday AM Bible Study Begins

February 18-25 Healthy Niños Honduras Mission Trip

"Magnificat"

Luke 1:46-55

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What jumped off the page at you and why?

What question would you like to ask for clarification or information?

What did you hear from someone else?

What did God teach us today?



December 4, 2022



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





We're so happy you are worshipping with us today!



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 pray for your needs. We encourage you to partake of this special time of prayer.

Today is the second Sunday of Advent. Various Advent devotionals and extra 2022 Advent bookmarks, with scripture readings for each day, are on the Advent table in the lobby. Please help yourself!



Youth Belizean Taco Fundraiser Meal Today! Put a little spice in your life! After Sunday school, the Youth will serve up delicious tacos, beans and rice, taco salad, and more. There will be sharing about past and future trips and maybe even some talents shared from the stage. Support the Youth as they raise funds toward the Belize mission trip.

Ballots for affirming changes to the CMF Constitution are due today. Members absent from the November congregational meeting can see Ruth Robenolt for ballots or see Josh Blank with any questions. The 2023 Budget will be affirmed by ballot this month.

Advent Prayer Gathering This Evening: We invite you to an Advent Prayer Gathering, "Joy to the World," in Room 201/202, tonight, from 6:30-8:00 PM. Come share in a time of rejoicing and reflection on the hope we have in Christ through familiar Christmas carols, scriptures, and prayer time.



Christmas Caroling 🎵: This Friday, December 9, at 5:30 PM, join the gang for an evening of fun as we don Victorian costumes and spread Christmas cheer! We will meet at the church to dress and group up, then carpool to folks in need of joy this season! We will finish on a Milton street corner for a group carol...and perhaps a warm drink! **Please sign up in the lobby today** so we can plan accordingly. 🎵



It's time for a new CMF Directory! Today and next Sunday, December 11, volunteer photographers will take informal pictures for the 2023-2025 CMF Directory. Time slots are available before church and before and after Sunday school. Please sign up in the lobby for the time that works for you...or jump in line today and ask a photographer to shoot your pic!

Join us today for an adult Sunday school class:

Room #	Name of Class	Teachers
Rooms 201/202	<i>The Book of Genesis</i>	Jim Schompert
Rooms 203/204	<i>Praying the Scriptures for Your Life</i>	Lois Miller & Rachel Wilkins
Room 305	Young Adults	Facilitated by Chris Long

The Giving Tree is here! Grab a child's tag today and help a family in need give gifts to their children. Pick a tag (or several) from the tree or display in the lobby, read the child's wants and needs, and buy a gift. Then, return the UNWRAPPED items in a gift bag to the tree in the lobby with the tag attached **by next Sunday, December 11.**

Make & Give Workshop: On Wednesday, **December 14**, from 6:30-8:30 PM, Women's Ministry will host an outreach for you to bring an adult friend and make free gifts together—a *hand-painted clay magnet set, a braided bracelet of colorful vintage handkerchiefs, and/ or a decoupage cookie plate.* At the end, we'll watch *The Chosen* Christmas episode. **Sign up in the lobby** to ensure ample supplies.



CMF's Christmas Eve candle light service will be held on Saturday, **December 24**, at 6:30 PM. Please join us for this special time of worship to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Note: childcare will not be provided, but the nursery will be open for parents to use.

A fishing rod building class will begin in the New Year. If interested, contact Larry Seibert, at 570-850-8946, **by December 31**, so supplies and components can be ordered in time to start in late January or early February.

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

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

College scholarships available: Everence offers college scholarships for Everence members and their children. Eligible students receive scholarships up to \$3,000 for the 2023-2024 academic year. Applications are accepted January 1—February 28. Visit everence.com/scholarships for eligibility guidelines and application.

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

Last Week's Attendance: Worship: 201 (179 CMF; 22 online)
Sunday school: 112
Last Week's Offering: \$5,919
Weekly Need: \$10,160

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worship through giving

Children's Ministry



Advent Blocks: Each of our Children's Ministry families will receive a set of Advent blocks to use at home during the Advent season. The blocks were created as "tangible reminders in our homes to help our families turn their attention to God and to one another." We hope you will use these year after year to focus your hearts and minds on Jesus! Families can pick up their set of blocks, marked with their name, in the lobby. Please contact Amy Goodwin, at 570-490-6217, if you can't find your blocks, or to learn how to purchase a set.



Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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

"Wednesday Night Youth"— Youth this week, normal times. Check our online newsletter for more details.

Belize 2023: If you missed the informational meeting and have interest in the trip, be sure to connect with Jim Hostetter soon.



Youth Christmas Parties and C4 Christmas Lock-In: Coming up end of December. Watch 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

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.

December Young Adult Reunion: Let's get together while many of us are in the area for Christmas. Tentatively **December 22.**

CONNECT!