

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

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

December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service,
6:30 PM

December 25 Christmas Worship Service, 9:15 AM

January 10 Women's Tuesday AM Bible Study Begins

January 17 Congregational meeting, regarding the
search process, 6:30 PM

February 18-25 Healthy Niños Honduras Mission Trip

Steve Jablonski

"Salt, Light, and the Wooing of God"

Matthew 5:13-16

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COMMUNITY
Mennonite Fellowship

December 11, 2022

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



Prayer and anointing: 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.

Today is the third Sunday of Advent (Nov 27-Dec 24). Advent devotionals and extra 2022 Advent bookmarks, with scripture readings for each day, are on the Advent table in the lobby. Help yourself!

2023 Budget: Ballots to affirm the 2023 Budget are in mailboxes today for all members and need to be returned by January 1. The proposed budget is available online through the QR code or at the Welcome Desk. See Josh Blank or Ervin Blank with any questions.



Have your directory picture taken today! Today, volunteer photographers are available to take informal pictures for the 2023-2025 CMF Directory. Time slots are available before church and before and after Sunday school. Sign up in the lobby early or jump in line and ask a photographer to shoot your picture!

Directory Information cards were placed in mailboxes last week. Please update or verify if the information is correct and return to Tammy Trate's mailbox by December 28.



Giving Tree gifts are due today! 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 today to the tree in the lobby with the tag attached or drop off at the church office tomorrow morning.

Make & Give Workshop: This 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 today to ensure ample sup-

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



CMF's Christmas Eve candle light service will be held at 6:30 PM, on **December 24**. Come celebrate the birth of our Savior during this special time of worship. 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 at **9:00 AM** on Saturday, **January 7**, with coffee and donuts. Please contact Rachel Ludovico if you can make it!

Ladies, Mark your calendar for Tuesday morning Bible Study! On Tuesday, **January 10**, from 9:00-11:00 AM, we will start a 10-week Bible Study on 1, 2, and 3 John. "Abide," the brand new 2023 study by Jen Wilkin, will help us discover the apostle John's words that challenge us to recall our great salvation and abide in the truth.

A mission trip with Healthy Niños Honduras is planned for **February 18-25**, to bring hope and love to poor rural communities in Honduras. A medical background is not necessary. To learn more, contact Jane Wirt.

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.

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 accepted **January 1—February 28**. Visit everence.com/scholarships for application.

"Thank you!" from the Youth Group, for the tremendous support for our Taco Meal. We loved worshiping with you, sharing with you, and serving you. Thanks for your generosity and encouragement. Our next fundraiser will be the popular Pot-Pie Soup sale at the end of January.

Thank you: The changes to the CMF Constitution were overwhelmingly approved. "Thank you!" to all who returned their ballots.



Congratulations to Eric and Emily Bashore on the birth of their son, Cooper Thomas Bashore, born on December 5. Cooper was 19" and just under 8 lbs. Congratulations, also, to big sisters and brother, Hannah, Lillian, and Cameron.

Winter Cancellations: In case of inclement weather, check [CMF's website](http://www.cmf.org) or [WGRC's website](http://www.wgrc.com): wgrc.com, for possible cancellation.



Last Week's Attendance: Worship: 231 (214 CMF; 17 online)
Sunday school: 138 (Youth Fundraiser Meal)
Last Week's Offering: \$11,951

Children's Ministry



Make a Gift! Kids, come to a **Christmas ConNect Class this Wednesday, December 14, from 6:00-7:30 PM**, where you can make a homemade Christmas gift to give. Two different classes will be held - one for kids in Preschool -1st grade, and another for 2nd-5th grade kids. To attend, you **must RSVP TODAY to Amy Goodwin, at 570-490-6217**.

Christmas Sunday is almost here! We will not have Children's Church or Sunday school classes on Christmas Day, so our families can stay together to worship. Kids will get a packet of activities to use during the service.



Advent Blocks: We hope you're enjoying your Advent Blocks at home! If anyone has pictures of your kids using the blocks or feedback to share, please contact Amy Goodwin, at 570-490-6217.

Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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

"Wednesday Night Youth"— Youth this week, normal times. Check online for 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. All details online.

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: 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.

December Young Adult Reunion: Let's get together while many of us are in the area for Christmas. Evening of **December 22**, food and connection in the Refuge.

CONNECT!