

## *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 – 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

## *Contact Us*

### **Community Mennonite Fellowship**

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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*

May 21            (Tonight) Milton HS Baccalaureate,  
7:00 PM  
May 31            Youth Baptism at Yoder's Pond  
June 25            Men's Fireside Chat  
June 26-30        Summer High Point  
July 9             Chicken BBQ at Central Oak Heights  
July 30            Men's Fireside Chat  
August 27        Men's Fireside Chat  
September 24    Men's Fireside Chat

## **"A Compelling Commitment"** **Matthew 13:44-50** .....

When you consider that you are God's special treasure, how does it make you feel? How does it motivate you?

What shape does pursuing God take for you? How does it compare with your pursuit of the next highest priorities in your life?

Many believe (with biblical evidence) salvation is an absolute permanent condition, but this parable indicates otherwise. How do you reconcile these two biblical views?

Which of your positions in these stories (a treasure, a seeker after God, a "fish" being assessed) do you find most compelling today?



**May 21, 2023**



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



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



**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.



**Can You Help in Children's Ministry?** Volunteers are needed for Nursery, Children's Church, CC Boom (Children's Church for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades), "Gym Monitors" between the morning worship service and Sunday school (10:25-10:45 AM), and for Summer High Point (June 26-30). If interested in helping, please check out our table in the lobby or call/ text Amy Goodwin, at 570-490-6217. Thanks so much!

**Tonight, the 2023 Milton Area High School Baccalaureate service** will be held at 7:00 PM, at Revival Tabernacle, 960 Susquehanna Trail, Watson town. All are invited to attend. If you brought baked goods for this evening, please place in the kitchen on the rack beside the freezer.



**A Youth Baptism will be held May 31, at 6:00 PM,** at Rod and Deb Yoder's pond, with light refreshments to follow. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. The event will be held rain or shine but will be altered if thunderstorms.

Youth being baptized on **May 31** include Sam Saber, Trent DeLong, Luke DeLong, and Lily Wood, along with young adult Isaac Summers. At a later date, Katie Zaktansky and Trey Locke will also be baptized.



**Men's Ministry will host four fireside chats this summer.** Men, we hope you will set time aside to meet with us the last Sunday of the summer months (June through September) at the fire for open-hearted conversations about what's happening in our lives. A flyer with more detail is in mail-boxes today.

**Men, order a "MANFEST 2023" t-shirt today in the lobby.** Shirts are black with white lettering. The front pocket area will say, "MANFEST Romans 14:17," and on the back: "P.S. If you go away hungry...it's your own fault." At least 12 t-shirts must be ordered before an order can be placed.



Join us today for an adult Sunday school class:		
Room #	Name of Class	Teachers
Room 201/202	A Shepherd's Look at Psalm 23	Jerry & Cheryl Wyble
Room 203	Walking with Jesus, Day by Day	Ron Mertz



**Expectations Baby Bottle Drive:** Baby bottles are available to take and fill with coins, dollar bills, or checks to support Expectations Women's Center, Lewisburg. All money will go toward serving local women and men facing unplanned pregnancies. To help, sign out a bottle (or bottles) and fill with coins, bills, or checks payable to CMF, with "Expectations Women's Center" in the memo. Return the bottles by Father's Day, **June 18**. What a great to involve your family in this small way, to make a big difference!

**Summer High Point Volunteers Needed:** Help is needed at Summer High Point, **June 26-30, from 6:00-8:00 PM**. We will "travel" to India to learn about Compassion. Stop by the sign-up table in the lobby for ways you can help with this important outreach. A meal will be provided beforehand for volunteers and participating families.

**Will you send encouragement?** Carter Schrock is serving as a Chief at Gator Wilderness Camp School. You can encourage him by sending notes, prayers, or care packages to: Gator Wilderness Camp School, Attn: Carter Schrock, 44930 Farabee Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33982.



**Thank you,** everyone, for your prayers and visits during Gerald's recent time in the hospital.

~Gerald and Jill Hertzler

**Mennonite Central Committee's magazine, "A Common Place,"** is available on the wall by the library doors. The magazine takes you alongside MCC workers across the globe, giving a glimpse of what they encounter every day. Dig in to learn more about the joys and challenges of people taking courageous steps to improve their lives and make a difference in their communities. Pick up a copy today!



## Young Adults

**The Young Adult Sunday school class will not meet today,** due to the Young Adult Retreat taking place this weekend.

**Spring Retreat, May 19-21:** The Young Adults will wrap up their Spring Retreat later today. Please pray for this to be a rich weekend of drawing closer to God and each other.

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

Last Week's Attendance: CMF Worship: 266 Sunday school: 128  
Last Week's Offering: \$6,388

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## Children's Ministry

**The WOW Room Has Moved!** Kids' "hang out time" between church and Sunday school will now be in the gym (10:25-10:45ish) instead of the WOW Room. Worship time will also be in the gym (10:45-11:00ish), before kids go to their Sunday school rooms. Kids will return to the gym at the end of Sunday school (11:45 AM) to be picked up by parents. These changes were implemented to keep our kids safe and sound. If you have any questions, please feel free to text or call Amy Goodwin. Thanks!



**Sign Up in the Lobby Today for Summer High Point!**

This summer, we will "travel" to **India** to learn about **Compassion!** Kids age 4—5<sup>th</sup> grade, join us on the evenings of **June 26-30, from 6:00-8:00 PM!** A meal will be provided beforehand for volunteers and participating families. Sign up in the lobby today to be a part of this fun week, and don't forget to take a postcard to invite your friends, too!!

To receive Children's Ministry Remind messages, text "cmfkidmin" to 81010.

## Youth Ministry

**"Embrace and Pursue Christ"**

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

**"Wednesday Night Youth:"** A special edition of Wednesday Youth this week. Youth Fun Night! Be sure to check online for times and details.



**Ignite Summer Camp at Kanesatake:** Our very own summer camp experience. One of the best events of the year! Registration is open until **May 24** (late registration is available May 25-May 30). Camp runs 4 days and 3 nights, from **June 6-9**.

**Youth Baptism:** Our Youth baptism event will occur **May 31, at 6:00 PM,** at Yoder' Pond. See details online.

"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.

