

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

- August 27 Men's Fireside Chat, 7 PM, at Pastor Tim's Home
- September 3 New Adult Sunday school classes begin
- September 10 Nomination forms due
- September 19 Women's Tuesday Morning Bible Study Begins
- September 23 Barn Party at Steve and Lynette Lapp's
- September 24 Men's Fireside Chat, 7:00 PM, at John Hartman's Home
- November 10 American Red Cross Blood Drive

"Mirrors to Basins"

Exodus 38:8

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Which nameless people in the Bible grab your attention?

What recreational activities or pursuits might you be most tempted to overindulge in?

What is the difference between being ashamed and being modest?



For the Children:

Immediately following the offering, we offer Children's Church for age 3-5th grade.





August 27, 2023



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



 **Welcome!** We are so happy to have you 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.

Location change for men's fireside chat tonight! Men, we look forward to seeing you at the campfire **this evening at 7:00 PM**. The location has been changed to **Pastor Tim's home**, 281 Buck Road, New Columbia.



Nomination forms for 2024 volunteer leadership positions are in mailboxes today, and extras are on the Welcome Desk. Please prayerfully consider and submit names of persons to fill current open leadership positions. For consideration, completed forms must be returned to the "Nomination Forms" box on the Welcome Desk or to the church office **by Sunday, September 10**.

New Adult Sunday school classes will begin next Sunday. Come learn and fellowship together in Sunday school! Sign up for the class of your choice in the lobby so materials can be ordered. Three classes will be offered from September 3-October 8:

- "Emotionally Healthy Relationships: Discipleship that Deeply Changes Your Relationships with Others," a video series led by Jen Bittner
- "Reflections," a class for women age 55-95, to reflect on spiritual journeys past, present, and future, led by Joy Mertz
- "Matthew Out Loud," will be a simple out-loud reading and reflection of the Gospel of Matthew. Scripture Journals of the Book of Matthew will be available.

We hope you will join us to study God's Word together in Sunday school.



Women's Fall Bible Study: "When You Pray" is a seven-week Bible study focusing on prayers in the Bible that can inspire and help us in our conversations with God. Six different Bible teachers will help us examine prayers of praise, lament, thanksgiving, and intercession. Examples of individual and corporate prayers are included. May our hearts be united with Christ and may we grow in our faith as we draw near to God in prayer. Please plan to attend as we begin on **Tuesday, September 19**, from 9:00-11:00 AM. Please sign up in the lobby to ensure we have enough books.



Join us today for our summer adult Sunday school class:

Room #	Name of Class	Teacher
Room 201/202	<i>The End of the Beginning and the Time In-Between</i>	Pastor Tim Darling

Zesty Zeniors Lunch: If you are 55 or older, join Zesty Zeniors for a free meal at CMF on Thursday, **September 21** at noon. Bring a hearty appetite as Joyful Harmony Small Group with Chef Mike cooks for you. Please sign up in the lobby.

Hymn Sing: On Sunday, **September 24**, at 2:30 PM, the Joyful Harmony Small Group will host a hymn sing at Watsontown Rehab. Please join us! Contact Ruth Robenolt with questions.

Seeking beta group members: We're testing a different way to share information for adults and families at CMF. *Remind* is a text-based notification program already used by our youth and children's ministries. You can join the beta *Remind* group by texting "@cmfRemind" to 81010. You can sign up and just receive a text message or download the app to have more options.

Sunday sermon information: If you ever would like to review the message or have information from the Power Point slides, please feel free to email pastor Tim and he will send them to you.

Children's Ministry

Children's Sign-In Table: Beginning next Sunday, **September 3**, parents of Preschool through 2nd grade children will be asked to sign their kiddos in at the Children's Ministry table by the gym doors. Children and parents will also receive a dual-numbered bracelet at the time of sign-in. This can be done as families enter church, or when the children are dismissed for Children's Church. This process is to help keep kids safe and accounted for.



Move-It-Up Day is next Sunday, September 3! Kids will move up to their new grade level classes in Children's Church and Sunday school on this day, and sixth graders will move up to Ignite. Our classes will be:

Children's Church:

- Preschool/ Kindergarten—Room 206 (in the gym)
- First/Second Grade—Room 207 (in the gym)
- CC Boom! (Third through Fifth Grade)—Room 306 (upstairs)

Sunday School:

- Preschool through Second Grade—Room 207 with Amy Goodwin
- Third through Fifth Grade—Room 307 with Becky Saber



It's Back to School Time! If you're a "kid" headed to school (preschool all the way through college), be sure to grab a school supply in the lobby, reminding you to "draw near to God" as you head back to the classroom!



Young Adults

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

Local Community Ministry:

GuideSpring will hold their 11th Annual Banquet, "Restoration Along the Journey," on Tuesday, **September 12** at 6:00 PM, at the Birchwood Venue, 571 Industrial Park Road, Milton. Contact LaVonne Yoder at 570-428-3293 to register or to learn more.

Unhindered Steps Conference: Teen girls are in a mental health crisis. The battle over the darkness of depression and anxiety belongs to God, whose light overcomes the darkness. Teen girls and the adults who support them are invited to a conference and workshop on **September 16**, from 8:30 AM-3:00 PM, at the Lewisburg Alliance Church, to hear a faith-based perspective regarding mental and emotional well-being. Local therapists, counselors, organizations, and youth leaders will provide resources and tools to connect our teens with Christ-following adults to support them. There will also be a breakout session for participating adults to be better equipped to walk alongside their teen girls. See the table in the lobby or to learn more, contact Erin Geiswhite, at erin@unhinderedsteps.com.

Expectations Women's Center Volunteer Training: Do you want to be a part of a life-changing ministry? Expectations Women's Center will offer training sessions for anyone interested in serving as a volunteer, **starting September 19**. Pick up a flyer on the Welcome Desk.

Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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



Fall Kick-off is next Sunday, September 6!

This starts up our weekly Wednesday Night Youth Event. Bring friends and be ready for God to work. ☺
Ignite 6:00-7:30 PM; C4 7:00-8:30 PM.

Youth Sunday School: September 3 is when all classes move to the new grades for the 2023/2024 School Year.

Ignite Fall Camp: Mark your calendars for **October 6-8**. Registration opens in a few weeks.

Our online newsletter has more information about events or contact Jim Hostetter at 570-238-2250 or jim@cmfmilton.org for questions.

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

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



Last Week's Offering: \$9,644

Last Week's Attendance: CMF Worship: 269 (233 in person, 36 online)
Sunday school: 122