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 $3 - 5^{th}$ 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

Women's Breakfast March 2 March 10 Child Dedication March 22-23 Women's Retreat March 24 Palm Sunday

Easter Sunrise Service, 6:15 AM March 31

March 31 Easter Worship, 9:15 AM

To sign up for *Remind* messages, text the following to 81010:



Children's Ministry: text "@cmfkidmin" Youth Ministry: text "@cmfparents" Adults: text "@cmfremind"

Ben Haves

A God Who Cares for Us Psalm 23

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- 1. How do you relate to this ancient and beautiful psalm? What is the faith it sets forth?
- 2. If God is like a shepherd, how are we like sheep?
- 3. "I shall not want." Is that really true in your life?
- 4. "He leads me in the paths of righteousness." What is that all about?
- 5. "He prepares a table for me in the midst of my enemies." What are the old enemies that seem to always gather around you? Name them. How long have you known them?



February 25, 2024



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





<u>Would you like to be prayed for today?</u> An Elder will be available at the front of the auditorium after the sermon to anoint you with oil and pray for you. We encourage you to partake of this special time of prayer.

Weekly Soup and the Word Lenten Luncheons will be held Wednesdays at First Presbyterian Church, 47 Walnut Street, Milton, through March 27, from 12:00-1:00 PM. The free meals, provided by the Milton Ministerium, are followed by a short meditation by a local pastor. On March 20, CMF will provide the meal and Pastor Nigel will share the message. To volunteer to help serve and/or clean up, see Nigel Fulmore-Smith.

You can still join our evening Women's Bible Study. They are studying *Way Maker*, by Ann Voskamp, **Wednesday nights**, from 6:30-8:30 PM, in Room 306. Contact Jean Springer for more info.

All CMF women and friends are invited to join us for breakfast at Perkins, in Lewisburg, Saturday, March 2, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up in the lobby or contact Jane Wirt, at 570-428-5058 for more information. Pay your own way! Invite a friend! Come refresh, revive, and renew your body, soul, and spirit!

<u>CMF</u> is <u>looking</u> for a <u>substitute</u> <u>church</u> <u>secretary</u> to fill in occasionally during vacations and illnesses. We have an immediate upcoming need for the week of March 4th. If you have any interest in helping out with this need or others in the future, please contact Chad Cohrs, at ccohrs62@gmail.com.

Sunday School

New Adult Sunday school classes will begin March 3. Three classes will be offered: *Nurturing Faith*, led by Ron Mertz; *Overview of Isaiah*, led by Josh Blank; and the continuing current women's class, Women of the Bible Speak, led by Annette Hutt. Please sign up in the lobby.

Today is the last week of the unique SUPER Sunday School. Please take this last opportunity to experience one of our classes: The Practice of Prayer; Women of the Bible Speak; The Book of James; Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table; or Sermon 2.0. For more details and locations, check the bulletin board or welcome desk in the lobby.

Last Week's Offering: \$11,836

Last Week's Attendance: CMF Worship: 234 (198 in person, 36 online)

Sunday school hour: 125

March 10 we will hold a child dedication service. This service is an opportunity to publicly thank God for your child and pray a blessing over him or her. It is also geared to help parents of babies orient themselves toward raising their child in a godly way. If you'd like to participate, please call the church office.

Zesty Zeniors are invited to Reach Out to Help Others, on March 21, from 1:00-3:00 PM. Help fill cloth bags with hygiene items to be distributed by Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) to displaced individuals. Bring a snack to share and plan to stay and visit or play a game after the bags are filled. Direct questions to Reba Yoder or Dorothy Hoy. Please sign up in the lobby to bring the needed items. Not over age 55, but want to contribute? See Reba Yoder or Dorothy Hoy to learn how you can fill a bag for MCC.

Women's Lock-In: This year's Women's Retreat will be held at CMF, March 22-23. This free event is for every woman, age 18 and older. Lydia Blank will take us into Ephesians to learn about our identity and community in Christ. Come and go as you need—the event is designed to fit into your schedule. Find a flyer with details and a sign-up sheet at the table in the lobby.

Join us in prayer during a Lenten Prayer Gathering, March 25, the day after Palm Sunday. We will focus on Palm Sunday and entering the scriptures in prayer. Held in Room 201, from 6:00-7:30 PM. For more information, contact Nigel at nigel@cmfmilton.org, or Lois Miller at jaylois@verizon.net.

Join us for a Maundy Thursday service on March 28, the evening before Good Friday. The event will begin at 6:30 PM, with a meal of soup and bread, followed by communion and footwashing for all who would like to participate.

Celebrate Easter with us on March 31: An Easter Sunrise Service will be held at the Lapp Farm at 6:15 AM. Bring a chair and dress warmly!

~Easter worship service will be held at the church at 9:15 AM. Easter is a great time to invite others to worship with us, to celebrate the love of Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection. There will be no Sunday school on Easter, so families can spend more time together celebrating the resurrection of our Savior.

Zesty Zeniors will travel to see Daniel at Sight and Sound, in Lancaster, PA, on Thursday, April 18. Meet at the church at 7:45 AM to travel in the church vans (11:00 AM show). Seats will be reserved for the first 20 persons to sign up. Cost is \$85.00 each, and must be paid to Ruth Robenolt by March 1 to reserve a spot.

Have you ever dreamed of serving Jesus in the Middle East? Here is your opportunity! Steve Jablonski will lead a medical mission team with Global Health Outreach to the Middle East, June 7 to June 16. You do not need a medical background to participate. Contact Steve, at sqipale.com, to learn more.

Children's Ministry

Parents, please check in children age 3 through second grade at the table by the gym doors. Children and parents will receive dual-numbered bracelets to be checked when kids leave the gym. We care about your kids and want to help keep them safe.

It's our Last Night of High Point! This Wednesday, February 28, from 6:00-7:30 PM we will "fly" to Canada one last time to learn about patience from the story of Abraham and Rocky Rink, an impatient hockey fan! Kids, this Wednesday we can trade in our passport stickers at the High Point Store! Also, it's not too late to bring some new socks to donate to kids in need!

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Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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

<u>Wednesday Youth:</u> February 28. It's Wednesday Youth! Bring friends.

Think SUMMER! C4 Gator Camp and Ignite Summer Camp: Registrations are now live. Go Online for details, descriptions, and links to register.

"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

<u>Parents:</u> Not getting REMIND messages? Text @cmfparents to the number 81010.



Young Adults

<u>Wednesday Group-Time:</u> Connect with others on **Wednesdays**, at **6:45 PM**, in Room 305. See Max Kennel, Mike Yoder, or Jim Hostetter to learn more.

Young Adult Retreat: Mark the date for May 17-19!