

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 through 5th grade, dismissed during the worship service, and Sunday school for all ages. If this is your first time at CMF, please stop by a Welcome Table in the lobby. We would love to connect with you! Also, please take time to sign in on the red attendance register in your row.

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Looking Ahead

July 27	Nerf Day
August 7-8	Office Closed—Global Leadership Summit
August 10	Backpacks Due for Block Party
August 16	Milton Block Party
August 20	Women's Casual Connections
August 21	Super Seniors Day at Knoebels
August 24	Men's Fireside Chat at Kevin Langdon's Home
September 13	Women's Craft Connection
September 16	Super Seniors "Elder Law" Presentation
September 28	Men's Fireside Chat at Pastor Tim's Home

"Alone in the Darkness"

Ruth 1:1-10

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Naomi's story begins in a very dark place. What are the darker places in which you've found yourself?

What times can you remember when God was working things out and you only realized it later?

Besides God, who loves you? Make a list:

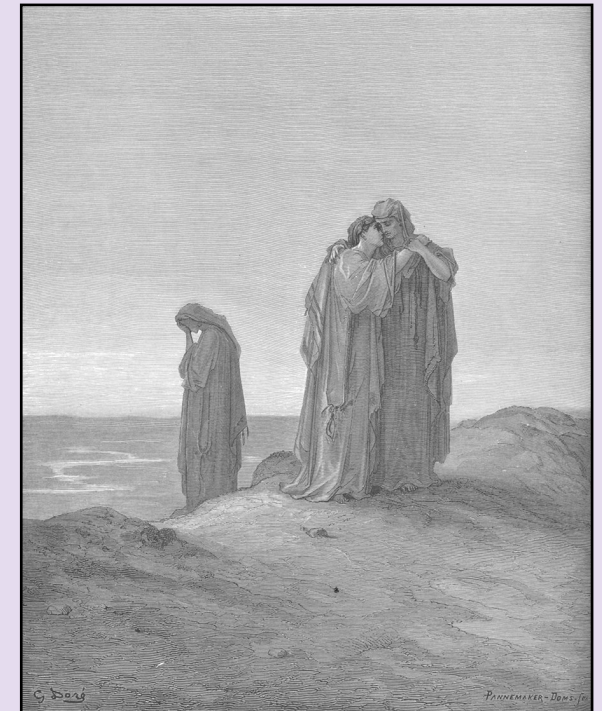
To sign up for *Remind* messages, text the following to 81010:



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



July 27, 2025



Gustav Dore' (1866)

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

Welcome

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE

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. We encourage you to partake of this special time of prayer.

Today is Nerf Day! At noon today, a Nerf obstacle course will be set up in the gym to play after Sunday school, from 12:00-4:00 PM. Pizza and water will be provided. Everyone is invited! Join us for a time of shooting Nerf guns, playing around, and fellowshiping together!

Family Day at the Park: Join us **next Sunday, August 3, at 1:00 PM**, for Family Day at Milton State Park. If you would like pizza or have any questions, please contact Sarah Foulk at 267-255-1935.

Open Volleyball on August 8 at 6:30 PM: Join us for fun recreational volleyball in the gym! You must be at least 18 years old. For questions, reach out to Brenda Snyder at 717-574-1024.

Milton Block Party: We are partnering with Freedom Life Church to throw a Block Party at Brown Avenue Park in Milton on **August 16, from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM**. What a great way to get involved in volunteering, while connecting with the community and another church! If interested, please sign up at the Block Party Table in the lobby. For questions, reach out to Pastor Nigel at nigel@cmfmilton.org.

Backpacks and school supplies: We need your help! We hope to give away 140 backpacks at the Milton Block Party with Freedom Life Church on August 16. CMF is asking for donations of at least 70 elementary backpacks with or without these specific items: pencil pouches, pencils, Elmer's glue sticks, packs of Crayola markers, folders, and notebooks. Backpacks and supplies are due at CMF **by August 10**.

Casual Conversations: Women, join us for a conversational time together on **August 20, at 6:45 PM, at CMF!** We will relax with coloring, games, and conversation. Please bring your games to share and join us for a fun time! If you have any questions, please reach out to Julie Tyson at jtyson1065@gmail.com.

Join us for an Adult Sunday School class today!



Sunday School Class:

Teacher:

Room:

***The Gospel in a Hurry;
The Book of Mark***

Pastor Tim Darling

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Super Seniors Day at Knoebels: On **August 21, at noon**, Super Seniors will hold a picnic at Knoebels Amusement Resort. Please bring one side dish to share. Hot dogs, rolls, and water will be provided. Bring friends and grandkids! Please sign up in the lobby. See Ruth Robenolt with questions.

Men's Fireside Chats: The next men's fireside chat will be held on **Sunday, August 24, at 6:30 PM**, at Kevin Langdon's home. Come swim in the Langdon's pond! For questions or more information, reach out to John Peachey at 570-951-0586.

A Super Seniors Elder Law Presentation, with Estate Planning Attorney Richard Scheib, will be held at CMF on **September 16, from 10:00 AM-12:30 PM**. There will be time for questions afterward, followed by lunch. Mark your calendars now!

Help us be good stewards of our church. Lights have been left on and doors unlocked multiple times in recent weeks. If you are the last person to leave the church building, please lock the doors and turn off all lights before you leave.

Samaritan's Purse Prayer Event: You are invited to a special time of sharing and prayer to kick off Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Collection Season. **August 1, at 6:00 PM**, at Lewisburg Bible Church, 311 Hospital Drive, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

Leisure & Technology: Join Mike Yoder and Joel Yoder at Guide-Spring on **August 5, from 6:00-9:00 PM**, for thoughtful discussion on leisure and the influence of technology. Leisure has long been part of the human experience, but with the rise of digital media and technology, our understanding and participation in leisure have shifted.

The 13th Annual Milton Island Love INC 5K Run/Walk will be held on **Saturday, August 16. Pre-register by Friday, August 1**, at www.goldenruleloveinc.wixsite.com/website or print the form, then mail it to: Golden Rule Love INC, 102 Lower Market Street, Milton, PA 17847. Race day registration begins at 7:30 AM, and the race starts at 9:00 AM. All proceeds support Golden Rule Love INC Ministry.



Young Adults



Wednesday Small Group: Connect with others on **Wednesdays, at 6:45 PM. Location moves from house to house during the summer.** See Max Kennel, Jim Hostetter, or others for the week's location.

Passion 2026: Passion 2026 will be in **Texas** this year. A block of hotel rooms is already booked to make things easier. Some extra rooms still remain, so claim your spot by letting Max Kennel know (available until rooms are filled). You will need to buy your flight ticket. Financial help is secured for each person.

Children's Ministry

Tween Girls Craft Night: Girls who have finished second through fifth grade, come get crafty and create your own journal this **Friday, August 1, from 6:00-8:00 PM**. Please **RSVP to Amy Goodwin by Wednesday, July 30**, if you plan to come.

Tween Boys Fun Night: Boys who have finished second through fifth grade, let's *Build, Run, and Have Some Fun* the evening of **Monday, August 4, from 6:00-7:30 PM**, in the gym. Please **RSVP to Amy Goodwin by Saturday, August 2**, if planning to come.

CC Boom Kids: Remember to bring your folders on the weeks you'll be in the church service. "Cash in" your sermon notes for points after the service! If you don't have a folder, grab one at the Children's Ministry table by the gym doors. See Amy Goodwin or Becca Parker for details. Our summer schedule is as follows: **In class-** July 27, August 3, 24 & 31; **In church-** August 10 & 17.

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Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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

Wednesday Night Youth: We're now in "summer-mode." There IS weekly Youth Sunday School but not weekly Wednesday Youth. Look for opportunities to stay involved over the summer with many options, including summer trips, campfires, canoe trip, service opportunities, worship events, and more.



C4 Canoe Trip: Two days and one night on the Susky River. Swim, boat, camp, fish, relax. **August 4-5.** Get your kayak or canoe ready to go. (Jim has a few extras if you can't find one.) More details online.

See pictures of last week's Belize mission trip at: ppm.org/20274.

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

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Last Week's Offering: \$23,760

Last Week's Attendance:

Worship: 233 (201 in person, 32 online)
Sunday school: 77