

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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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 7-8	Office Closed—Global Leadership Summit
August 10	Backpacks and school supplies 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 27	Fall Barn Party at Lapp's
September 28	Men's Fireside Chat at Pastor Tim's Home

"Grace Comes to Naomi"

Ruth 1:11-22

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This event is fraught with emotion. Naomi's despondency and Ruth's fervent loyalty. What do you imagine Orpah felt?

Who in your life has demonstrated God's grace to you?

What opportunity do you have to extend God's grace to someone?

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



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



August 3, 2025



Ruth and Naomi by John Gadsby Chapman, published in the Illustrated Bible, 1846

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

Family Day at the Park: Join us today 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: This Friday, 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—volunteers still needed! 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 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.

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.

Join us for an Adult Sunday School class today!



Sunday School Class:

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

Teacher:

Pastor Tim Darling

Room:

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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. Please sign up in the lobby.

Small Group Survey: Our vision is to grow in Christ as a community — not just on Sundays, but throughout the week. We will be out of the CMF building for at least four months during renovations, so hope to launch small groups where adults can continue to connect, grow spiritually, and encourage one another. These groups will meet regularly and are a great opportunity to stay rooted in Christ and in community. If you might want to join a small group — or are simply curious — please take a moment to fill out the short form at this QR code, at this link, or find a printed copy on the sign-up table and put it in Pastor Nigel's mailbox: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2BC2T5W>.



CMF Fall Barn Party, Saturday, September 27, at 6:30 PM, at Steve and Lynette Lapp's farm, 1975 Enterline Road, Watsontown. Enjoy line dancing and special activities for kids. Please bring a snack to share with everyone. Drinks will be provided. Dress warm and casually (maybe even a blanket for the hayride!). Please sign up at the table in the lobby.

Help spread the word! Little Lambs Preschool has several openings for 3, 4, and 5-year-olds for the upcoming 2025-26 school year. More information is available in the lobby.

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.

Jesus Nights, held at 6:30 PM, August 14-16, at the Narrow Way Church, are free outdoor community events intended to host the presence of Jesus Christ. The evenings will include worship, communion, baptisms, speakers, Kingdom Kidz Puppet Ministry, and Jesus Kids (children's activities through the 5th grade).

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.



Children's Ministry

Tween Boys Fun Night: Boys who have finished second through fifth grade, let's *Build, Run, and Have Some Fun* tomorrow night, **August 4, from 6:00-7:30 PM**, in the gym. **Please RSVP to Amy Goodwin today** 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-** August 3, 24 & 31; **In church-** August 10 & 17.

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: There is weekly Youth Sunday School all Summer. Wednesday Youth starts up September 3.



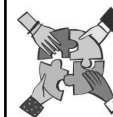
C4 Canoe Trip: Two days and one night on the Susky River. Swim, boat, camp, fish, relax. We leave tomorrow, at 9:00 AM.

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

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



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.

Last Week's Offering: \$23,760

Last Week's Attendance:

Worship: 204 (182 in person, 22 online)

Sunday school: 72