

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

March 8	Soup and The Word, 1st Presbyterian
March 12	Lenten Prayer Gathering
March 17	St. Patrick's Day Green Game Gathering
March 19	Youth Sunday & Pulled Pork Fundraiser
March 20-28	Threads for Honduras Mission Trip
March 26	Movie Night: <i>Amazing Grace</i>
April 7	Good Friday Service—Jews for Jesus
April 16	Fellowship Meal
April 23	Ministerium Spring Night of Worship
April 29	Women's Retreat at CMF
May 7	Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?
June 26-30	Vacation Bible School

"Stand Firm in Your Faith"

Job 13:12-16

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March 5, 2023



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

welcome

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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.

My Coins Count is back! We will collect money **through March 19** to help MCC's (Mennonite Central Committee) educational efforts for at-risk children around the world. You can help by bringing your spare change, dollars, or checks made out to CMF (earmarked "My Coins Count") and placing them in our collection containers in the lobby or in Erv Blank's mailbox. Thank you for your help with this important project!

Join us for an Adult Sunday school class today:

- NEW! ***Reaching Out to the World—The Forum***, facilitated by Pastor Tim Darling, in Room 201/202
- NEW! ***Truthfilled***, by Ruth Chou Simons, (A women's class) led by Emily Ayers and Rachel Ludovico, in Room 203
- ***No More Excuses***, by Tony Evans (A men's class), continued, led by Norman Hoy and Jay Miller, in Room 306
- ***Resolving Everyday Conflict*** (continued), led by Pam Jablonski, in Room 305
- ***Genesis*** continued, led by Jim Schompert, in the Sanctuary

All are invited to attend Soup and the Word Lenten Lunches. The free meals will be held at First Presbyterian Church, 47 Walnut Street, Milton, **Wednesdays, through April 5**, from 12:00-1:00 PM. The meals are provided by the Milton Ministerium and are followed by a short meditation by a local pastor. On **March 29**, Jim Hostetter will share the message and CMF will serve the meal. If you would like to volunteer to help serve that day, please contact Rachel Ludovico.

Little Lambs Preschool enrollment is open for the 2023-2024 school year. Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Please share this information with families you know that might be interested in preschool for 3, 4, and 5 year-olds. More information and applications can be found on our website: www.littlelambsmilton.com, or contact Judy Kipe-Nolt for questions.

Everence® Financial will host a four-part webinar series this month. In this series, hear how Everence® can help you make important financial decisions that reflect your faith values. Specific topics will include: Everence 101 (The Everence Story)

Investing in a Better World

What Will Your Final Statement Be? (Estate Planning)

Understanding Medicare

The webinars will include plenty of time for questions. To register, or for more information, visit www.everence.com/national.

Join us for a Lenten Prayer Gathering, "Jesus, the Bread of Life," next Sunday, March 12, in Room 201, from 6:30-8:00 PM. Gather with us as we prayerfully ponder scriptures related to bread. If you have questions, contact Lois Miler at 570-713-7181.

CMF Personnel Update: The search committee continues to accept applications for the Spiritual Family and Discipleship Pastor or Director position until **March 14**. The committee is screening applications received to date and will schedule initial interviews soon. Please pray for wisdom and guidance through the process.

Men's Evening: On Saturday, March 18, at 6:10 PM. we will have a hotdog roast while roasting the pork for our Youth Sunday Dinner. Come join us for fellowship, cornhole, and hotdogs!

Youth Sunday and Pulled-Pork Meal: On Sunday, **March 19**, the Youth will lead morning worship. Join us for this special service which will be followed by a pulled-pork fundraiser meal after Sunday school.

A St. Patrick's Day Green Game Gathering at Community! Wear Green, bring and play some Games, and Gather for fellowship and snacks on Friday night, **March 17**, at 6:30 PM. All kinds of games for all kinds of ages for all kinds of fun! Mark your calendar!

A Threads for Honduras mission trip is being planned for **March 20 -28**. Contact Reba Yoder, at 570-713-7508, to learn more. All ages, including children, are welcome!

Lenten Movie Evening: *Amazing Grace* will be shown at CMF on Sunday, **March 26**, at 6:30 PM. Gather to enjoy *Amazing Grace*, the story of passion and perseverance to end the British slave trade. John Newton, a reformed slave ship captain who penned the beloved hymn *Amazing Grace*, inspired urgency to see the cause through. Popcorn provided. Please bring a favorite snack or soda.

Good Friday Service, *Jews for Jesus*: This year, instead of a Maundy Thursday Service, we will have a Good Friday service. Stewart Weinisch, of *Jews for Jesus*, will share a meaningful presentation of Christ and the Passover with us on **April 7**, at 6:30 PM.

Our Women's Retreat, a Lifeway Women's Simulcast, will be held on Saturday, **April 29**, from 8:30 AM-3:30 PM. At this one-day, live-streamed event, give God time from your busy schedule to hear His voice, center your heart on His Word, and engage with other women who believe God's Word changes lives. **Special early registration for our church opens today online and in the lobby.** Tickets are \$35, and include a continental breakfast and full lunch.

The Everence Sharing Fund provided \$1,000 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Mike and Sally Biddinger serve as the Everence advocates for our congregation. Please contact them for more information.

Children's Ministry



My Coins Count is back! Kids- let's help other kids around the world have the opportunity to get a good education, just like you! We'll be collecting money for MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) in the lobby and the WOW room **until March 19th**. There are some fun incentives involved if we can pull together and raise enough money, so let's get saving!



It's Time for Kid's Night! Meet us in the gym this **Wednesday, March 8, from 6:00-7:30 PM!** Kids in pre-school (age 4) through 5th grade, we'd love you join us!

Youth Ministry

"Embrace and Pursue Christ"

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

"Wednesday Night Youth:" Join friends for fun, learning, and praising God. Ignite 6:00-7:30 PM, C4 7:00-8:30 PM.

Youth Sunday and "Paul's Pulled Pork Meal" On **March 19**, the Youth will lead our Sunday morning service and serve up a meal after Sunday school to raise funds for Summer Youth Trips.

Youth Sunday: Youth, we get to guide the Sunday morning worship service and serve up a pulled-pork meal on **March 19**. Help will also be needed on **March 18** for food prep. Invite friends and family to the service and the meal! Proceeds from the meal will go toward our Summer Youth Trips (C4 & Ignite).

See youth event details at:

<https://newsletter.dymapps.com/featured/2142>

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



Young Adults

CONNECT!

Young Adult Sunday Morning Connection: Guys are joining the men's group for this Sunday school session. See Chris Long or Jim Hostetter with questions.

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



Last Week's Attendance: CMF Worship: 211 (178 CMF; 33 online)
Sunday school: 117

Last Week's Offering: \$12,729