

## 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<sup>th</sup> grade, which is 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 to 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

September 16 Super Seniors "Elder Law" Presentation  
September 18 QPR Training at CMF  
September 19 Open Volleyball  
September 20 Women's Craft Connection  
September 23 Women's Morning Bible Study Starts  
September 27 Fall Barn Party at Lapp's  
September 28 Congregational Meeting  
September 28 Men's Fireside Chat at Pastor Tim's Home  
October 8 Soup Pick-Up  
October 16 Super Seniors Autumn Festival

*"Jesus replied, 'No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.' "* Luke 9:62

## The Pilgrim's Progress: "Falling Into the Mire" Luke 9:57-62

What about faith in Jesus causes you apprehension, doubt, fear, or discouragement?

What is hard for you to place in a lower priority for the things of God?

The best you can tell today, what does God want you to do? What stands in the way?



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



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



September 14, 2025



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

# Welcome

## WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE



**This morning, we continue our Fall Theme, *The Pilgrim's Progress*.** The allegory is one of the most widely read books in history; translated into over 200 languages, narrating the story of a man traveling through life in search of eternal redemption. Journey with Pilgrim through his search for relief from the burden of sin, his encounters with the struggles of life, his temptation of sin, and his ultimate victory.

**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.

**Small Group Survey:** Our vision is to grow in Christ as a community — not just on Sundays, but all week long. While our sanctuary and lobby are being renovated over the next four months, we are launching small groups where adults can connect, grow, and encourage one another. Please sign up using the QR code at the table in the lobby, or at this link: [bit.ly/CMF123](http://bit.ly/CMF123), or complete a printed form from the sign-up table and place it in Pastor Nigel's mailbox.

**A Newcomers' Lunch will be held today at noon** to learn more about the ministries of CMF and to get to know each other. If you are interested in coming, please see Pastor Nigel.

**Family Day at the Park:** Families, join us for fellowship at Milton State Park **this afternoon, at 1:00 PM**. If you are coming and would like pizza, please text Sarah Foulk at 267-255-1935.

**A Super Seniors Elder Law Presentation,** with Estate Planning Attorney Richard Scheib, will be held at CMF this **Tuesday, 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 today.

**QPR Training:** Question, Persuade, and Refer—steps to learn to help save a life from suicide. This **Thursday, September 18, from 6:00-8:00 PM**, Erin Geiswhite and Emma Pick will lead a seminar from QPR Institute and Unhindered Steps to train people (ages 18 and up) to be aware of signs of suicide, how to offer hope, when to refer someone to resources, and more. Cost is \$5. Sign up in the lobby today. For more info, contact Erin Geiswhite at 570-850-9475.

### Fall Adult Sunday School Classes start today!

Room #	Name of Class	Teachers
Rooms 201/202	<i>Cultural Backgrounds of the Bible</i>	Rachel Grimm
Rooms 203	<i>The Pilgrim's Progress</i>	Nancy Magargle

**Join us for fun recreational volleyball in the gym this Friday, September 19, at 6:30 PM.** You must be at least 18 years old. Please sign up in the lobby today, so we have an idea of how many are coming. For questions, contact Brenda Snyder at 717-574-1024.

**Women's Craft Connection:** Ladies, join us **this Saturday, September 20, at 9:00 AM** to learn a new craft with Julie Tyson. Bring a friend! We will meet in Room 201.

**Attention women:** *Heaven; When Faith Becomes Sight*, a 7-week video-based Bible study by Jennifer Rothschild, will be held **Tuesday mornings, starting September 23, from 9:00–11:00 AM**. Child-care will be provided if pre-arranged. Please sign up in the lobby. Contact Cheryl Wyble for any questions.

**CMF Fall Barn Party, Saturday, September 27, at 6:30 PM,** at Steve and Lynette Lapp's farm. Please bring a snack to share. Drinks will be provided. Dress warm and casually (maybe even a blanket for the hayride!). Please sign up at the table in the lobby.

**Congregational Meeting:** There will be a short congregational meeting on Sunday, **September 28**, after Sunday school to discuss/approve the creation of a part-time paid position for a Worship Director, and to approve changes to the current job description for Nigel Fulmore-Smith, our Spiritual Family and Discipleship Pastor. Child care will be provided, but there will not be a fellowship meal.

**Men's Fireside Chats:** Men, fellowship at a fireside chat **at Pastor Tim's home on September 28, at 6:30 PM** for food and fellowship. Also enjoy some stargazing! For questions or more info, contact John Peachey at 570-951-0586.

**"A simple 'Thank you' cannot even begin to express our gratitude** for all you have done! You have all gone above and beyond with providing amazing meals, prayers, and assisting with rides for the kids to get to youth events. We are truly blessed with our church family. Thank you!" ~With immense appreciation,  
Love, Beth, Ron, Ganon, Roman & Kolson Gay



## Young Adults

**Wednesday Small Group:** Connect with others on **Wednesdays, at 6:45 PM. Location is still in homes.** See Max Kennel or Jim Hostetter to learn more.

**Passion 2026:** Passion 2026 will be in **Texas** this year. We already reserved hotel rooms and provide the room to you free of charge. Some rooms still remain, so claim your spot by letting Max Kennel know (available until rooms are filled). You will need to buy your event ticket and your airline ticket. We have secured financial help of \$150+ per person to cover most of your airline costs! See Jim Hostetter for reimbursement.

## Children's Ministry

**CC Boom Kids (grades 3-6):** Today is our **Girl Chat/ Guy Chat** time where the CC Boom girls and guys will split into two separate groups. The girls will meet upstairs in Room 306 and the boys will meet in the usual CC BOOM room in the Refuge.



**We're Changing it Up!** Wednesday nights in October will be filled with some fall-themed fun, in place of our usual Fall High Point! We will still have Bible time, games, and activities geared toward kids in preschool (age 4) through fifth grade from 6:00-7:30 PM each week. Sign up today in the lobby!

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):**

**Sunday Morning Youth:** Gather in the Refuge at 10:45 AM for hangout. Class starts at 11:00 AM. (Youth Sunday school will continue until the CMF construction project begins. It will pause during the remodel.)

**Wednesday Night Youth: Wednesday Youth is back!** Ignite 6:00-7:30 PM; C4 7:00-8:45 PM. Invite your friends to hear the gospel and grow in Jesus. "RADIATE THE LOVE OF JESUS!" (Wednesday Youth will NOT be affected by the CMF remodel project this fall.)

**Fall Camp:** Did you know we already have our Fall Camp week-ends reserved? Did you know that Fall Camp is the perfect event to get friends involved in Youth? Mark your calendar for one of the best moments all year to grow closer to Jesus and friends. **Ignite will be October 17-19**, signs up will open next week; **and C4, November 14-16.**

"Our Online Newsletter has more information about events, but you can contact me with questions anytime, at [jim@cmfmilton.org](mailto:jim@cmfmilton.org) or 570-238-2250." ~Jim Hostetter, Pastor of Youth & Young Adult Ministries

**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:** \$12,369

**Last Week's Attendance:** Worship: 240 (215 in person, 25 online)  
Sunday school: 110