

Welcome to
Calvary Mennonite Fellowship

December 21, 2025

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9:00 Prayer Service in Room CH-2. All are welcome!

"The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working." James 5:16

9:30 Sunday School (*List of classes is on back*)

Pre-school (ages 4-5)	Room CH-1
Children's Assembly (Gr. 1-9)	Cafeteria
Youth/Adult Sunday school	Auditorium
Text Today: <u>Mark 4:35 – 5:20</u> ; <i>Next Sunday:</i> <u>Mark 5:21-43</u>	

10:25 Opening & Announcements,

Call to Worship & Offering	Jason King
Congregational Singing	Jonathon Mullet
Sharing & Prayer Time	Tom Keener
Message "Why Are You Here?"	Raun Schrock

6:00 Caroling in the neighborhood. Meet in the cafeteria, bring flashlights and snacks to share afterward. Soup, ham, rolls, & drinks will be provided.

TODAY'S SERVANTS

Greeters Today: Jason & Marissa Anderson
Hosts Today: Ferne Showalter
Usher in Charge: Bruce King

THIS WEEK

Tuesday noon – CCA Christmas vacation begins and goes through Jan 4.
Thursday, CHRISTMAS DAY, 10:00 am—"We Have come to Worship Him!"
with scripture, stories, songs and poem "Out of the Ivory Palaces."
Friday, No Youth activity

LOOKING AHEAD

The Year of our Lord 2026 is about to begin! MARANATHA!

Servants for Next Sunday

Message: Daniel Yoder (IN) **Hostess:** JoAnn Showalter
Cleaning: Hope H. & Suetta H. **Usher in Charge:** Jonathon Mullet

Offering: Last Sunday: \$5,904 Regular Offering \$2,784
RRO: \$1,390 **ACE:** \$1,090 **GCA:** \$190
J&A: \$200 **D&S:** \$100 **Chr. to India:** \$150
Attendance last Sunday: 153

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✚ **Thanks to God for your generous donations to these ministries, increased by the \$5,000 matching donation from the Mission Fund:**

- **RRO** (Redeeming Rain Org. in Cambodia): **\$5,165 + 2,045 = \$7,210**
- **ACE** (Arrows for Chr. Ed. in Honduras): **\$4,140 + 1,495 = \$5,635**
- **GCA** (Grace Chr. Academy in Detroit): **\$4,090 + 1,460 = \$4,550**

✚ **Your Mailbox may have moved** as several new ones have been added!

✚ **Josh Helmuth and Lewis Horst** were licensed Dec. 4 for one year to serve as deacons at CMF. Prayers and support are appreciated!

✚ **Office hours** this week: Open Mon, Tue, Wed; Closed Thur, Fri. Please submit bulletin announcements by Wed. morning.

✚ **Calvary Medical Aid is due** on Dec 28th. Increased rates are now: Couples \$720; Singles \$360. Make check payable to CALVARY MEDICAL AID.

✚ **Family Photos for the 2026 CMF Directory** may be submitted to cavlarymfva@gmail.com by Christmas, preferably as a large file/good quality. Non-members who are attending, we want to include you in the Directory and Calendar! Talk with John Ivan if you have questions.

Missionary Spotlight – Dan and Ann Tice

Thank you, Calvary Fellowship, for your beautiful support during the past year! You have been a special blessing and we are endeared to you.

We had a special yet difficult visit in the States in early December to have a visit with Ann's sister who is experiencing the return of her cancer. We believe this time to be terminal. We also got to meet a new grandson. Amazing how bitter sadness and amazing joy can be all wrapped up in one short trip.

Peter, one of the African pastors, sister just passed away from a form of cancer. He is feeling very sad.

We are grateful that André is healing. Although he still lives in a cave, he is now receiving some support from the Spanish government.

The group in Morocco continues to faithfully meet. We are grateful that God is doing in them things that we can only pray about for this small group.

As we come into the season when we remember and celebrate the Birth of our LORD, we are also grateful for the body of Christ in the form of His church!

Again, thank you for so faithfully standing with us in 2025.

Dan & Ann Tice

2025- 2026 Sunday School Classes

- Preschool (4-5 y.o.) - Gloria Wenger, Becki Smucker Room CH-1
- Children's Assembly (Gr 1-9) – Cafeteria
c/o Calvin Lee Shirk and Fonda Showalter
- Primary (Gr 1-3) –Cynthia Shirk, Betty Wilkins Room 101
- Junior (Gr 4-6) – Marissa Anderson, Kathy Rau Room 103
- Intermediate (Gr 7-8) Angie Smith, Merlynnne Keener Room 209
- Youth (15+ y.o.) – Gordon Brunk, Joel Troyer Room 213
- Women I Suetta Horst, Bev King Library
- Women II Becky McGurrin, Michelle Showalter Sewing Room
- Men I Stanley Good, Jordan Knicely Left side of Auditorium
- Men II Robb Mullet, Sherman Showalter Right side, Auditorium

Superintendents, Jason King and Joel Troyer

Our Mission Statement

We are a caring community of faith fully dependent on the Holy Spirit—committed to glorifying God, magnifying Christ, loving our neighbor as ourselves, sharing the Good News, and edifying our fellow pilgrims through the exposition of and obedience to God's all-sufficient written Word.

CMF Leadership Team

Chairman: John Ivan Byler **Secretary:** Stanley Good
Deacons: Frank Good, Lewis Horst, Josh Helmuth (**Treasurer**)
Pastoral Assistants: Skyler Beery, Jason King

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