

Welcome to  
**Calvary Mennonite Fellowship**

January 4, 2026

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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*)

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| Pre-school (ages 4-5)         | Room CH-1  |
| Children's Assembly (Gr. 1-9) | Cafeteria  |
| Youth/Adult Sunday school     | Auditorium |

**Text Today:** Mark 6:1-13; *Next Sunday: Mark 6:14-29*

**10:25 Opening & Announcements**

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| Call to Worship & Offering | Skyler Beery    |
| Congregational Singing     | Jonathon Mullet |
| Sharing & Prayer Time      | Martin Keener   |
| Message Galatians 6:2-5    | Jason King      |

**"Bear One Another's Burdens"**

**TODAY'S SERVANTS**

**Greeters Today:** Austin Brunk  
**Hosts Today:** Sherman & Julia Showalter  
**Usher in Charge:** Tristan Horst

**THIS WEEK**

**Monday, 10:00 am – CCA classes resume**  
**Tuesday, 9-2 – Sewing Circle;** potluck lunch  
**Tuesday, 6:30 pm – Board of Ed**  
**Thursday, 6:30 pm – Leadership Team**  
**Friday, 7:00 pm -- Youth Bible Study and Volleyball at CCA**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Jan 13, 7 pm (Tuesday) –**CMF assembles 500 CAM hygiene kits at Hinton Relief Center. 30-50 people are needed! Snack afterward.  
**Jan 17, 7 am (Sat.) – Men's Breakfast** with Mark Helmuth in cafeteria  
**Jan 29-Feb. 1 – BMA Ministers Enrichment Weekend (MEW)** in Arthur, IL  
**September 17-20 – Bible Conference with Lester Swartzentruber**

**Servants for Next Sunday**

**Message:** John Ivan Byler      **Hostess:** Fellowship Meal  
**Cleaning:** Cynthia S. for CCA      **Usher in Charge:** Martin Keener  
**Missionary Supporters:** Jason & Marissa A.

**Offering: Last Sunday:** \$4,661      Regular Offering \$4,161

General Fund: \$500

**Attendance last Sunday:** 122

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ✚ For the Record, in 2025 the average attendance at CMF Sunday services was 120. Membership is 83.
- ✚ Each week a family (or person) is asked to **pray for and contact our CMF missionaries and the SEAMS Family**. Schedules are in the mailboxes; a reminder sheet with suggestions and contacts will come to your box when it is your turn.
- ✚ A Thank You note is on the wall from the Millers for CMF caroling and gifts!
- ✚ **The DNI Intercessor Bulletin** for January is available under the mailboxes.
- ✚ **If your Family Photo for the 2026 CMF Directory** is yet to be submitted, please inform John Ivan. *"I am working on them!"*
- ✚ **Our 2026 SEAMS Family** is Ian & Marci Miller, serving with DNI in NYC. A sheet of introductory info and suggestions for sharing support and blessing is in each mailbox. Keep the picture as a prayer reminder! Suggested gift options are listed: Bring gifts, your family letter/pic, etc. to the box in the hall by January 20 to begin our blessing of the Millers.

**Missionary Spotlight – Joel & Crystal Yoder**

Director of MTC in NYC

Hello to everyone at Calvary,

December seemed to fly by.... We were in Grenada for about 12 days while I (Joel) was teaching at their Bible school. We were also able to connect with our old church where I had been the pastor. It was a good trip, but also sad, as we saw some who were faithfully serving the Lord 20 years ago no longer walking with God. **Please keep the churches there in your prayers.**

We got back just in time to help coordinate our community Christmas dinner at church on the 23rd. That has always been a special time to connect with the community and hopefully introduce new people to the church.

We are going through a leadership transition at church right now. No one was ready to move forward with ordination so we are looking to appoint two men to serve as lay-elders for a 2-year period. **I pray** that God would clearly direct in that process and that He would raise up more leaders in the church.

**Please keep praying** for the three families in church who are waiting for their green-card application process to move forward. With all the uncertainty in our current government administration it can bring fear.

**Please keep praying** for a Director of Hospitality to fill Monica's role. That need is urgent!

Thank you for your prayers and financial support. We greatly appreciate it.

Joel

### 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

### Calvary Contacts

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