



CROSSFIRE

Interchurch Singles Ministry

*Connecting single adults to God and each other
in Christ-centered community.*

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October Reflections

October always brings to mind the beauty of colored leaves. I've loved gathering those bright, beautiful leaves to decorate and celebrate the changing season.

It is also the close of harvest time for most gardens—a moment to gather what has grown and lay it away for the seasons ahead. Scripture speaks often about both harvest and seasons, reminding us that God weaves purpose into every part of life's rhythm.

Genesis 8:22 "As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."

Ecclesiastes 3 "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens... a time to plant and a time to uproot." "He has made everything beautiful in its time." "I saw that there is nothing better for a person than to enjoy their work, because that is their lot."

You may notice I feel that Scripture says it all. I always encourage reading entire chapters—there is so much richness when we take in the whole message.

I also hear a few of you who are retired thinking, Harvest time is over for me. Not true. God has extended your life on earth for a reason. Remember Jesus' words: "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." **Matthew 9:35–38**

Is God calling you to serve singles in Crossfire? If you would be willing to talk about opportunities to serve in Crossfire Ministries, please let me know.

Rhoda K. Lanner, Director

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**"Give, and it shall be given to
you..." Luke 6:38**

Alcohol Free

*Crossfire events are Alcohol
free to ensure a safe,
comfortable environment for
all.*

CROSSFIRE Calendar of Events – Aug-Nov 6,2026

*Events - dates, times, and locations are subject to change.
Please see event descriptions for specific registration information.*

Friday, Sept 25	Bible study – Graceway Ch of God, 220 St Johns Church Rd, Camp Hill 17011 – 6:30 pm
Saturday, Sept 26	Hike-bike – Swatara State Park, 1450 Suedberg Rd, Pine Grove, PA 17963 – 11 am
Friday, Oct 2	Bible study – Graceway Ch of God, 220 St Johns Church Rd, Camp Hill 17011 – 6:30 pm
Saturday, Oct 3	Dining – Hinkle’s Restaurant, 261 Locust St, Columbia, PA 17512 – 4:30 pm
Friday, Oct 9	Bible study – Graceway Ch of God, 220 St Johns Church Rd, Camp Hill 17011 – 6:30 pm
Saturday, Oct 10	Corn Maze – Brookside Acres, 53A Shetland Dr, Hummelstown, PA 10736 – 4 pm
Saturday, Oct 17	Fall Dance – Youngs UM Church, 7075 Wertzville Rd, Mechanicsburg, 17050 – 6:30 pm
Saturday, Oct 24	Bowling – Trindle Bowl, 4695 E Trindle Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 – 4 pm
Saturday, Oct 31	Fall Hike – Governor Dick, 3283 Pinch Rd, Mt Gretna, PA 17064- 11 am
Friday, Nov 6	Square dance-Ridgeway Comm Church, 525 N Progress Ave, Harrisburg 17109 – 6:30 pm
Saturday, Nov 7	Movie - Graceway Ch of God, 220 St Johns Church Rd, Camp Hill 17011 – 6 pm
Wed, Nov 11	Veterans Day Dinner, Olive Garden, 6520 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, 17050 4:30 pm
Saturday, Nov 14	Dinner – Walnut Bottom Diner, 936 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17015 – 4 pm
Saturday, Nov 14	BUNCO - The Meeting House, 1155 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17015 – 5:45 pm
Saturday, Nov 21	Surviving the Holidays - Epiphany Luth Ch, 1100 Colonial Rd, Harrisburg 17112 –6:30 pm
Saturday, Nov 28	Thanksgiving potluck +games –Epiphany Luth Ch, 1100 Colonial Rd, Hbg 17112 -5:30pm
Saturday, Dec 5	Christmas Dance – Silver Springs Ch, 444 Silver Spring Rd, Mechanicsburg 17050 –6:30p

All Crossfire events are completely alcohol free

To ensure a safe, comfortable environment for everyone.

Bible study - “Landmines in the Pathway of the Believer”

Fridays -September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 2026 – 6:30 pm



Grace Church of God, 220 St. John’s Church Rd, Camp Hill

Video series by CharlesStanley. “The Landmines you don’t see are the most dangerous” Use God’s word to guide you through landmines that threaten every believers life.

The Landmines like: Discouragement, Compromise, Insecurity and Jealousy. Charles Stanley is a great teacher of God’s word and I’m sure you will learn something that will improve your Christian walk.

Please sign up with Barb Edwards 717 732-4423.



Hike – Bike – Bordner Cabin
Saturday, September 26 – 11 am Swatara State Park
1450 Suedberg Rd, Pine Grove, PA 17963



Meet at Sand Siding Parking Lot off Route 443 - across from Twin Grove Campground

Walk approximately 2 miles OR ride your bike for about 10 miles.

Walkers and bikers will stop to see Bordner cabin built from materials found onsite, cantilevered over creek with view of waterfalls from every room.

Please register on cfire.org or by leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.

Dining – Hinkle's Restaurant
Saturday, October 3, 2026 – 4:30 pm
261 Locust St, Columbia, PA 17512



Beautifully restored old pharmacy with lots of charm.

Great food and service. Private banquet room for our group

Parking is limited, carpool if you have friends coming from your area.

Please register on cfire.org or by leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.

Corn Maze – Brookside Acres of Hershey
Saturday, October 10 – 4 pm
53 A Shetland Dr, Hummelstown, PA 17036



Mini Maze for those who want a leisurely walk. Also available: hayride, scavenger hunt, corn hole, and much more. Let's challenge ourselves with the Maze Master course.

Cost: cash \$13, debit/credit card \$15.

Please register on cfire.org or by leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.

Fall Dance – DJ Terry Snyder
Saturday, October 17, 2026 – 6:30 pm, Doors open 6 pm
Youngs UM Church, 7075 Wertzville Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050



Visit friends you have known and new friends you will meet. Crossfire alumni are welcome.

DJ Terry will be playing old and new favorites for all types of dancing.

Please bring a snack or drink to share.

Donation to Crossfire is \$15 at the door or \$12.50 if received by October 10, 2026.

Passport – FREE

Please register on cfire.org or by leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.

Bowling at Trindle Bowl

Saturday, October 24, 2026 - 4:00 pm

4695 E. Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050



Join Crossfire friends for bowling.

Bowl 2 games for \$8.00 with FREE shoe rentals. Pay Barb \$8.00 cash for bowling when you arrive at the lanes.

After bowling we'll go out to fellowship at a local restaurant.

Please Register by Calling Barb at 717 732-4423 so she can reserve enough bowling lanes and seats at the restaurant. (When calling please leave your name & phone number) Thank You!

Fall Hike – Governor Dick, Mt. Gretna

Saturday, October 31, 2026 - 11:00 am

Clarence Schock Memorial Park, 3283 Pinch Rd., Mt. Gretna, PA 17064



Park and meet at the Environmental Education Center.

Hike will be uphill to climb the 66-foot observation tower to enjoy the panoramic view of 5 counties – Lebanon, Berks, Dauphin, Lancaster, and York. Enjoy the colored leaves, birds, trees and mammals along the path.

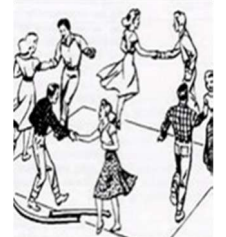
Please register on cfire.org or by leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.

Square Dance – Grant Moser, Caller

Friday, November 6, 2026 - 6:30 pm, Doors open 6 pm

Ridgeway Community Church,

525 N Progress Ave, Harrisburg, PA 17109



You do not want to miss this event! I have it 'on good authority' that you will be delighted at a dance with Grant calling. (More info <https://dancewithgrant.com>)

Square dancing is a good way to make new Crossfire friends and get some exercise. Alumni are welcome.

You will have fun if you have never done any square dancing. Come to learn basic moves and have FUN. It is best to arrive early, so you will not miss any instructions.

Donation to Crossfire is \$15 at the door or \$12.50 if received by October 31, 2026. You can pay by using the donate button on cfire.org and specify square dance. **Passport - FREE**

Please register on cfire.org or by leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.

We would love to hear your input for events. Send your ideas to info@cfire.org. Thank you

Movie

Saturday, November 7, 2026 – 6 pm

Graceway Church of God, 220 St. John's Church Rd, Camp Hill, PA 17011



Mark your calendar for a Crossfire movie night. Join Crossfire Friends for a time of fellowship and watching an awesome movie (look for information on movie in next newsletter).

Details in next newsletter or online at www.cfire.org . Barb will host the movie night.

Veterans Day dinner –

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 – 4:30 pm

Olive Garden Restaurant, 6520 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050



We invite all veterans and everyone who is thankful for veterans to join us for an early dinner at Olive Garden Restaurant. (Olive Garden provides free dinner to the veterans.)

If you are a veteran, you might want to show your colors (branch of service) by something you wear. We will eat in groups that can be seated together.

Please register on cfire.org or leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.



Saturday, November 14, 2026

Dinner – Walnut Bottom Diner – 4 pm

BUNCO – TMH – 5:45 pm



Walnut Bottom Family Diner, 936 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17015 – 4 pm

The Meeting House, 1155 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17015 – 5:45 pm

Join Crossfire friends for double the fun. We will gather for dinner at the Walnut Bottom Diner at 4 pm and then be ready to play BUNCO at 6 pm, just across the road and a little bit further.

Bunco donation \$6, Passport – Free; Dinner - order and pay individually.

Count is needed for both events,

Please register on cfire.org or by leave a message at 717-545-0005 or text 717-269-3750.

Surviving the Holidays

Saturday, November 21, 2026 – 6:30 pm



Epiphany Lutheran Church, 1100 Colonial Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112

This event is for anyone who is dreading the holiday season, for any reason and expects to be lonely or sad. It is also for those of you who have experienced dreading the holiday season and would like to share briefly how you were able to survive the holiday season.

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Cfire.org —Current information

We listened to your feedback and made some great improvements:

Event Search: Easily find events on our website www.cfire.org – just take a look and see.

Easy Registration: Want to register for an event? Head over to the Events section for a seamless registration process. Need to pay for event – use Donate button and specify the event.

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