



CROSSFIRE

Interchurch Singles Ministry
*Connecting single adults to God and each other
in authentic, Christ-centered community.*

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Spring - officially begins on March 21st, but for many of us, it feels like spring encompasses March, April, and May. Even if the ground is still blanketed in snow as you read this, some of you might catch glimpses of crocuses peeking through.

Spring is my favorite season of the year. After the dormancy and perceived death of winter, vibrant colors burst forth in many places. Crocuses are usually the first to emerge, followed closely by lilies of the valley, hyacinths, daffodils, and tulips. If your spring flowers are planted close to your home, in a sheltered spot, or in a sun-drenched area, they'll bloom even earlier.

I have a special fondness for lilies of the valley, as they were one of my father's favorite flowers and often bloomed in time for his early March birthday. A Christian hymn written in 1881 for the Salvation Army even refers to Jesus as the Lily of the Valley.

Read the love poem in Song of Solomon, chapter 2, to find mention of the lily of the valleys.

Transformation—Spring is such a beautiful reminder of renewal, as we witness signs of new life all around us. It's a season of transformation and growth. Similarly, in Christ, we too can experience this kind of transformation. **2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV) speaks to this truth: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."**

Have you experienced this kind of change in your life through Christ? Are there any old habits, thoughts, or patterns that need to pass away, making space for something new? Let us make it our constant prayer to be continually renewed by Christ, day by day, as we grow in His grace and embrace the new life He offers.

Rhoda K. Lauwer, Director

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unto you..." —Luke 6:38**

CROSSFIRE Calendar of Events— Feb-April 2025

Dates, times, and locations are subject to change.

Please see event descriptions for specific registration information.

- Saturday, March 1 Wildwood Park–Lake Hike, 100 Wildwood Way, Harrisburg, PA 17110—10:30 am
- Sunday, March 9 PA Capitol Tour, 501 N 3rd St, Harrisburg, PA 17120—2:30 pm
- Tuesday, March 11 Bible study—Crossfire, 1100 Colonial Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17112—7 pm
- Saturday, March 15 Winter dance, Silver Spring Presbyterian, 444 Silver Spr Rd, Mechanicsburg, —6:30 pm
- Friday, March 21 Bible study- Graceway Church of God, 220 St Johns Church Rd, Camp Hill -6:30 pm
- Saturday, March 22 Praise and worship, Epiphany Lutheran, 1100 Colonial Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17112—6:30 pm
- Saturday, March 29 BUNCO, TMH, 1155 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17015—5:30 pm
- Saturday, April 5 Bowling, Trindle Bowl, 4695 E Trindle Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050—4 pm
- Saturday, April 12 Square dance, Ridgeway Community Ch, 525 N Progress Ave, Harrisburg 17109—6:30 pm
- Saturday, April 19 Escape Room, Hershey, 253 W Chocolate Ave, Hershey, PA 17033—1:30 pm
- Saturday, April 19 Dining –Funck’s Restaurant, 664 W Main St, Palymra, PA 17078—4 pm
- Saturday, April 26 Hike—Governor Dick Tower, 3283 Pinch Road, Mt. Gretna, PA 17064—11 am

“Watch Your Mouth”

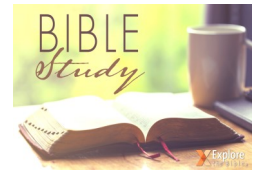
Tuesday Bible Study — Feb 25, 2025 7 pm

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

Bible study will start at 7 pm meet with doors opening at 6:30 pm.

Bible study will meet on the Second and Fourth Tuesdays of the month. If the group is interested, we may plan something for the 5th Tuesday (dinner, ice cream, an extra Bible Study, other ideas welcome).

For information, please call 717 210-1856 and leave a message.



Friday Bible Study – March 21, 2025 – 6:30 pm

“Choosing your Attitude Will Change Your Life” by Dr. Robert Jeffress

Graceway Church of God, 220 St. John’s Church Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011

Pastor Jeffress has some interesting facts on what the Bible teaches on these 4 topics: Guilt, Bitterness, Comparison and Loneliness. (how we can change them) .

Come and join your Crossfire friends on Friday evenings for awesome discussions and a time of fellowship.



Silent Auction—Items needed for March 15 Dance

Crossfire needs **you** to help make **our Silent Auction** a success.

We are in need of **quality** items or gift cards that we can sell at our silent auction. Donations need to be **new quality items that you would be proud to give**. Recognition will be given or you can remain anonymous. The gift will be treated as a donation and is tax deductible. **Please call Sharon at 717-210-1856 (no text please) to register your donations and get them to Sharon no later than March 9, 2025.**

If you like doing fundraising you may also solicit gifts and certificates from area businesses for the silent auction. These donations are tax deductible **for businesses that make donations**. We have letters available to give to businesses. If you need letters, please call Sharon at the number above. If unavailable leave your e-mail address or home address as well as your name, phone number, the area you will be soliciting or any specific businesses. We would like to know the area and businesses you are soliciting so we do not duplicate efforts or become burdensome to businesses.



Hike ,Wildwood Park Lake Saturday, March 1, 2025 – 11 am



Wildwood Park, Lake, Nature Center, 100 Wildwood Way, Harrisburg, PA 17110

Wildwood Park is a public park and nature sanctuary in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The 229 acre park is known for its 90-acre shallow lake with over 6 miles of trails and mile-long boardwalk over the wetlands. Dogs allowed.

Meet in front of the Nature Center.

Call Kevin at 717-756-9684 to let him know you plan to attend or text 717-269-3750.

Saturday – April 19, 2025 – Escape Room – 1:30 am

Reserve your spot by March 19 with payment of \$27

Escape Room Hershey, 253 W Chocolate Ave, Hershey, PA 17033

Try a new challenge or bring your experience to help your friends escape.

Enjoy working as a team to solve the puzzles and escape.

Easy drive to dining out at 4 pm (details below).

If you have questions, you can call Crossfire 717-545-0005 and leave a message or text 717-269-3750.



Sunday, March 9, 2025 – PA Capital Tour – 2:30 pm

Pennsylvania State Capitol, 501 N 3rd St, Harrisburg, PA 17120

PA Capitol Guided Tours - a 30-minute guided tour of "the handsomest building" President Theodore Roosevelt ever saw. Capitol Tour Guide will point out the architectural and artistic highlights, and make the Capitol's history come alive for you.

This guided tour of Pennsylvania's Capitol is 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 9th, 2025. Please arrive at 2:30 pm, after allowing sufficient time to find a place to park. Directions and parking information <https://www.pacapitol.com/plan-a-visit/getting-to-the-capitol.cfm>.

Please text 717-269-3750 or leave a message at 717-545-0005 for additional information and let me know you plan to attend.



Saturday, March 15, 2025 - Winter dance - 6:30 pm

Silver Spring Presbyterian Church, 444 Silver Spring Rd,
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Visit friends you have known and new friends you will meet.

DJ Mandy will be playing old and new favorites for all types of dancing. Crossfire alumni are welcome.

Please bring a snack or drink to share. Silent auction items will be available for purchase.

Donation to Crossfire \$15 at the door or \$12.50 if received by March 1, 2025. **Passport—Free**

For information, text Rhoda 717-269-3750, call 717-545-0005 and leave a message.



Saturday, March 22, 2025 - Praise and Worship – 6:30 pm,

7 pm, - Worship Team, Karen and James Good,

Speaker - Pastor Dave Dormer, Jr

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

Please bring a dessert to share or snack or drink.

Donation to cover Crossfire costs \$4. An Free Will Offering will be taken for Karen and James.

Program may remind you of past **Community nights**, with dessert in place of full meal. Come and be blessed by enjoying the music, be ready to participate and be inspired by Pastor Dave.

For information, you can call Crossfire 717-545-0005 and leave a message or text 717-269-3750. RSVP is not required but will help us prepare seating for everyone.



Saturday, March 29, 2025 – B U N C O !!! – 6 pm

The Meeting House, 1155 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17015

BUNCO is a fun-filled, get to know everyone night. Bring your single friends. Don't be late and miss the first game, you are welcome at 5:30 pm.

Bring \$6.00 and a dish, snack, or drink to share and your smile.

See you at BUNCO - Call 717 210-1856 or 717-545-0005 to let us know you plan to attend, please leave a message



Saturday, April 5 – Bowling in Mechanicsburg – 4 pm

Trindle Bowl, 4695 E Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Spend time with Crossfire friends bowling. We'll be bowling two 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. Register ahead with Barb at 717 732-4423 so she can reserve enough bowling lanes and seats at the restaurant. (When calling please leave your name and phone number, in case we have to cancel).



Saturday, April 12, 2025 – Spring Square Dance—7 pm

Ridgeway Community Church, 525 N Progress Ave, Harrisburg, PA 17109

Back by popular demand. Alumni welcome.

Square dancing is a good way to make new friends in Crossfire and exercise.

Come to learn basic moves and have FUN. Arrive early, so you will not miss any instruction.

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Saturday – April 19, 2025 – Dining – Funck's Restaurant – 4 pm

Please join your friends, including those you haven't met for good food, and a fun time. If you are participating in the Escape Room at Hershey, it is a short drive of 10 minutes to Funck's.

Please text Rhoda 717-269-3750 to let her know you plan to attend, if possible,

by April 15, 2025, to make sure your seat will be reserved. You can also call Crossfire office 717-545-0005 and leave a message or sign up on Meetup.



Saturday – April 26, 2025 – Hike – Governor Dick – 11 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 birds, trees, wildflowers, and mammals along the path.



Please let us know you plan to attend, so we can notify you if any changes are needed. Call 717-545-0005 and leave a message, or text 717-269-3750

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Covid-19 Policy

- ◆ Masks are optional at Crossfire, and we recommend that you wear them.
- ◆ If you are showing symptoms of the Virus, you will not be allowed to attend.
- ◆ If you have symptom of the Virus or **not feeling well** in any manor **please stay home**.

It is difficult to make rules and policy that restrict God's people. It's my hope in these difficult time you understand we are doing this for your health and future. Hoping to see you all at an event soon.

Blessing, Chairman, Pastor Dave Dormer

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

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