



CROSSFIRE

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

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Do you love the winter season, looking forward to seeing the snow fall or dread the cold wind howling and snow clogging the road to make traveling difficult to outright treacherous?

We tend to be less busy in winter with fewer outdoor activities, for play or work – no grass to mow, no garden to tend. Winter is a time to rest— a time for dormancy of crops and animals. The rest the winter season provides leads up to the next season of new growth.

Do you enjoy being snowed in? As a child, we still had snow days back then, I loved the snow days. There always seemed to be excitement in the air, I always believed my mother enjoyed snow days as much as we did, liked having us home. After we left home, Mom always called to warn us to be careful, if she knew we would be driving on a snowy day.

“Snow days may be an inconvenience, but being stuck at home is a wonderful reminder of the good slowing down does for our minds, our bodies, and our relationship with God.” (Erin Mohring Family)

If you no longer have to go out on snowy days, “Be still and know, that I am God” (Psalm 46:10).

What if there was no winter? Winter kills bugs and diseases at least temporarily. Plants seem to die, but they also need a time of rejuvenation. Would we enjoy spring as much if we did not live through winter where everything seems to die?

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot... – Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

The unique design of snowflakes is just one more reminder of the incredible beauty of God’s creation. Each individual snowflake is different than every other snowflake. Enjoy seeing God’s handiwork in each individual snowflake and in the majesty of the tiny, light as air snowflakes that can build to an incredible heavy mound with the power to stop all but the most powerful equipment.

God cares for us.

Rhoda K. Lauver, Director

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**“Give, and it shall be given
unto you...” —Luke 6:38**

CROSSFIRE Calendar of Events— Dec-March 2025

Dates, times, and locations are subject to change.

Please see event descriptions for specific registration information.

- Saturday, Dec 28 Pizza and TRIVIA—Epiphany Lutheran, 1100 Colonial Rd, Harrisburg 17112-6:30 pm
- Saturday, Jan 4 BUNCO—The Meeting House, 1155 Walnut Bottom Rd, Carlisle, PA 17015—6 pm
- Saturday, Jan 11 Brunch—Capitol Diner, 800 Eisenhower Blvd, Harrisburg, PA 17111—11 am
- Saturday, Jan 18 Movie—Graceway Church of God, 220 St John’s Ch Rd, Camp Hill, PA 17011—6 pm
- Saturday, Jan 25 Pictionary-Games—Epiphany Lutheran, 1100 Colonial Rd, Harrisburg 17112—6:30 pm
- Saturday, Feb 1 Carlisle Ice Fest, Meet St Paul Ch, 201 W Louthier St, Carlisle, PA 17013—1:30 pm
- Saturday, Feb 8 Soup-er Bowl, The Meeting House, 1155 Walnut Bottom Rd, Carlisle, PA 17015—5:30 pm
- Tuesday, Feb 11 Watch Your Mouth Bible study, Epiphany, 1100 Colonial Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17112—7 pm
- Saturday, Feb 15 Escape Room Hershey, 253 W Chocolate Ave, Hershey, PA 17033— 11 am
- Saturday, Feb 22 Bowling—Trindle Bowl, 4695 E Trindle Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050—4 pm
- Saturday, March 1 Wildwood Park—Lake Hike, 100 Wildwood Way, Harrisburg, PA 17110—10:30 am
- Saturday, March 8 Winter Dance, Youngs Church, 7075 Wertzville Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050—6:30 pm



Pizza and Trivia Night

Saturday - December 28, 6:30 pm



Epiphany Lutheran social hall, 1100 Colonial Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112

Suggested donation \$12.50

Team trivia—Choose your team or be assigned to a team. Other games will be available

Please call Crossfire 717-545-00005 and leave a message or text 717-269-3750 to let us know you plan to attend and **mention your favorite pizza.**

Bible Study – “Watch Your Mouth” – Tuesday, Feb 11, 2025

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

Bible Study “Watch your Mouth” will be starting the second Tuesday in February.

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

Bible study will continue to meet on the Second and Fourth Tuesdays of each 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 Sharon at 717 210-1856.



Saturday, Jan 4, 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.

We need at least 12 people to make this work so bring your single friends. Don't be late and miss the first game, you are welcome at 5:30 pm.

Bring \$5.00 and a dish, snack, or drink to share and your smile.

See you at BUNCO - Call Sharon 717 210-1856 to let her know you plan to attend, or you can leave a message at 717-545-0005 or email info@cfire.org

Saturday, January 11, 2025 - Brunch – 10:30 am

Capitol Diner, 800 Eisenhower Blvd, Harrisburg, PA 17111



Please join your friends, including those you haven't met yet for a fun brunch and good food.

Please text Rhoda 717-269-3750 to let her know you plan to attend, if possible, by Jan 8, 2025, to make sure your seat will be reserved. You can also call Crossfire office 717-545-0005 or sign up on Meetup.

Movie Funny Farm—staring Chevy Chase

Saturday, January 18th ~ 6:00 pm

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



Join Crossfire Friends for a time of fellowship and watching a great movie. "Funny Farm" a comedy with very large laughs, one of Chevy Chase best films. I'm sure you will love it So come and join us (bring a friend)

Barb will be hosting this Crossfire activity. Please register by calling (717) 732-4423 and leave your name and phone number in case we have to cancel. (Thank You).

Saturday, January 25, 2025—Pictionary-Games—6:30 pm

Epiphany Lutheran, 1100 Colonial Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112

Suggested donation \$5.00



Pictionary can be a hilarious group game, everyone can be involved. Play Pictionary in teams – drawing for your team is optional – whole team guesses. Creativity and imagination are the most helpful skills. Great drawing ability is NOT needed!

You may choose to bring another game, plan a game, play any of the many board games.

Please call Crossfire 717-545-0005 and leave a message, email info@cfire.org or text Rhoda at 717-269-3750 to let us know you plan to attend and mention any games you like to play.

Saturday, February 1, 2025—Carlisle Ice Fest—1:30 pm

Meet in front of St Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 W. Louthier St, Carlisle, PA 17013

Cross fire will get together to go to the Ice Festival in Carlisle Pa on Saturday, February 1, 2025. The group will take a stroll through the ice sculptures and then we might decide to eat dinner later. Will cancel if weather is bad that day.

Please call Sharon at 717 210-1856 to let her know you plan to attend and receive notice if event is canceled.



Saturday, Feb. 8, 2025 – Soup-er Bowl – 5:30 pm

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

The first 8 people to REGISTER TO BRING A HOMEMADE SOUP will compete for top prize and bragging rights. Everyone who attends will get to sample all the soups for dinner and vote for favorite soup of the evening. You may also volunteer to bring salad, bread or drinks for reduced price.

Cost to attend \$12.50, first 8 to register and bring soup (or salad, bread, drinks) will pay only \$6.25.

Passport—free.

Competitors agree to allow CROSSFIRE to sell any leftover soup for take-home with proceeds going to CROSSFIRE. Please sign up for this event so we know who is competing and who will be enjoying eating a variety of homemade soups.

All competitors, please call Sharon at 717 210-1856 or text Rhoda at 717-269-3750 to let us know if you are entering the competition and the soup you are bringing.



Saturday – February 15, 2025 —Escape Room – 11 am

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

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

Minimum of 4 people, more than 12, we will reserve 2 rooms. To reserve your spot and make sure we plan this event, you need to **pay the \$27 per person by January 15, 2025**. You can pay at the Jan. 11 brunch at Capitol Diner. Three different rooms are available with success rates from 30% to 80%. Can Crossfire escape?

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



Saturday, Feb. 22, 2025 – Bowling - 4 pm

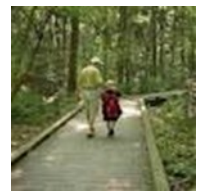


Trindle Bowl, 4695 E Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

February is a great time to come in out of the cold (BURR!) and spend time with your Crossfire friends bowling. Come see how many strikes you can make.

We'll be bowling two games for \$8.00 with FREE shoe rentals. Then we'll go to a restaurant for fellowship and possibly have a dessert. Register ahead with Barb at 717-732-4423 so she can reserve enough bowling lanes and seats for dinner. Pay Barb \$8.00 cash for bowling when you arrive at the lanes. (Please leave your name and phone number, in case we have to cancel because of bad weather).

Saturday, March 1, 2025 – Hike – Wildwood Park – Lake - 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, March 8, 2025 - Winter dance - 6:30 pm



Doors open 6 pm

Youngs Church, 7075 Wertzville Road, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

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

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

Please bring a snack or drink to share

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

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

Registering for CROSSFIRE Events

–Via cfire.org: Use the “CONTACT CROSSFIRE” button on the right-hand side of the main page. Please be sure to specify the event you are registering for and if you are bringing any guests.

–Via email: Send us a message to info@cfire.org. Please specify which event your are registering for.

–Via phone: Call and leave a message at 717-545-0005

–Via MeetUp.com: Log in to MeetUp.com, find our group “CROSSFIRE- Interchurch Singles Ministries” and request to join. Once you are in the group, click on “Meetups,” find the event in question, look to the right for “Are you going?” and click on the check mark to register. The event host will then be sent an email saying you are planning on going. It would also help us out if you would still send an email to registration@cfire.org.

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- ◆ 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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