

CARLISLE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

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WORSHIP SERVICE

"Please be sure to turn off your cell phones or silence them during the service. Thank you."

The Announcements and Words of Welcome

The Prelude:

*The Responsive Call to Worship:

Pastor: Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, May I be like you.

Congregation: You are the Potter, I am the clay; Mold me and make me, This is what I pray.

Everyone: Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, May I be like you.

*The Invocation

*The Gloria Patri #813

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning. Is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen. CCLI 176590

The Hymns: Make Me a Blessing #670
The Lord's Prayer #631

The Morning Prayer

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*The Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*The Offertory Prayer

The Adult Choir: The Love of God

The Scripture Lesson: Portions of Luke 4-Luke 8

The Message: You choose the title for you.

Jesus Was Inconvenienced. Don't look at inconveniences as inconveniences. Look at them as opportunities. You're going to be inconvenienced. The question is, what are you going to do with it?

The Closing Hymn: Change My Heart O God #654

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

Visitors: Welcome to Carlisle First Church of God. We are glad you visited with us and would love for you to be a part of our church family. Before you leave our church today, please stop by the "Visitors' Center" in the lobby. We would like to give you a mug and a pen to take home. Also we have information and maps about our church. The staff at the Visitors' Center can answer your questions. Thank you.

If you are in need of pastoral care from January 20-27 please call Pastor Greg at 717-448-1009 or Mr. Alan McConnell at 717-385-8026.

The February/March Newsletter articles are due no later than Wednesday, January 24.

LADIES DAY OUT - March 16, 2024

Invitations are in mailboxes, payments and completed forms will be accepted by a committee member in the lobby before and after the services. SIGN UP by February 11, 2024 for the Early Bird fee of \$25.00. Registration fee is \$30.00 from February 12 thru March 3, 2024. Fees are Non-Refundable.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE—11:15 AM

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Opening Prayer

We Sing Praise to the Lord

The Morning Prayer

The Scripture Lesson: Luke 4-Luke 8

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The Closing Song

* Closing Prayer

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Bill and Emily Hoover on the passing of Emily's sister, Margaret (Peg) Mellinger who passed away this week at the age of 103.

Mission Moment: Remember in prayer Samira Singha as he leads in India, and for believers to be strengthened through the Word of God and prayer.

The new Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study Class will be Dr. David Jeremiah's Study, "The Great Disappearance" - 31 ways to be rapture ready! Sign Up on the bulletin board by the water fountain.

At the January council meeting, the following persons were elected as follows:

President - Alan McConnell
Vice President - John Gross
Treasurer - Mary Jane Wickard
Secretary - Wally Walters
Financial Secretary - Wally Walters
Chairman of the Board of Deacons - Shawn Britcher

We will be starting a new members class beginning **February 11, 2024**. What is a new member class? It is a class that is held during the Sunday School hour that takes a look at what we believe here at Carlisle First Church of God. Is this just for those who would like to become a member of Carlisle First? No. This class is open to those who would like to become a member, but it is also available to those who would like to just find out more about what we believe. How long will the class run? The class will run for about five weeks. How do I sign-up? All you need to do is let Pastor Mike know that you are interested in joining the new members class.

Reminder: Just a reminder to everyone. If you are not feeling well, or you are experiencing Flu, Cold or Covid like symptoms, PLEASE STAY HOME and we will see you again when you are feeling better and no longer displaying any symptoms. Stay home even if you think it is something other than the coronavirus. Thank you for thinking of the safety and health of your brothers and sisters in Christ.

The 2024 flower chart has been posted on the bulletin board. If you are interested in sponsoring flowers, please sign up. Cost for two altar vases of flowers will remain at \$45.00 in 2024. Flowers can be picked up after the traditional worship service at the closet by the water fountain.

Change of Address: Jim Grove
1094B Rockledge Drive
Carlisle, PA 17015
Phone: 717-385-4014

Please be in prayer for those who are facing various health problems.



Jan 14: Mission Money Received: \$365
Current Roof/Fire Upgrade Campaign: \$84,986.40

Attendance: Jan 14: Traditional Worship Service 161
Nursery 2 Junior Church 6
Sunday School 78
Contemporary Service 22
Adult Bible Study
Awana Kids Awana Teens
Awana Adults

Those Serving Us Today:

Nursery Attendant: Melissa Brandt
Junior Church: Ron Stevens, Rick Greenwalt and Linda Brenize
Head Usher: Jim Heinbaugh
Ushers: John Gross and Marlin Negley
Organist/Music Director: Mr. Michael Minnich
Pianist: Mrs. Elaine Shughart
Visitor Center: Pam Sherman and Trudy Strine

Those Serving Us January 28, 2024

Nursery Attendant: Bev Barger
Junior Church: Darlene Greenwalt and Ron Stevens
Head Usher: Jim Heinbaugh
Ushers: Rick Thomas and Wally Walters
Organist/Music Director: Mr. Michael Minnich
Pianist: Mrs. Elaine Shughart
Visitor Center: Linda Brenize and Grace Smith

Today: Morning Worship
Traditional Worship Service 9:00 AM
Sunday School 10:15 AM
Contemporary Service 11:15 AM

Jan 21 - Morning Worship

Jan 22 - 6:00 PM Sunday School Board Meeting

Jan 23 -4F Group
-6:00 PM Edge

Jan 24 –Family Night Programming
Awana Program 6:30 PM - **Stuffed Animal Night**
Bring your favorite to show and an extra one to donate
Adult Bible Study 6:30 pm
Adult Choir 7:30 PM

Jan 28 - Morning Worship—Koffee Konnection

Jan 30 -4F Group
-6:00 PM Edge

Jan 31 –Family Night Programming

Feb 4— Morning Worship
3:00—7:00 PM Winter Picnic—Doubling Gap Center

Feb 7 –Family Night Programming

Feb 11 - Morning Worship

Feb 14 –Family Night Programming

Feb 18 - Morning Worship

Feb 21 –Family Night Programming

Feb 25 - Morning Worship

Feb 28 –Family Night Programming

March 10 - Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 16—Ladies Day Out

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!! Your church Council has been busy with completing the past year and the beginning of a new year with some wonderful opportunities for ministry.

In our December meeting we were blessed by God through your generous giving to be able to distribute funds to various ministries in the amount of \$16,000.00. We are currently in the middle of a campaign to replace the church roof. As I shared this past week we were hoping to make it for a couple years, however, as evidenced by the photos and repairs we will need to step up the replacement to hopefully begin this Spring, possibly by the end of March. So, I would ask that you prayerfully seek what God's Will is in contributing whatever you can towards the project.

We have also been obtaining estimates to begin work on the parsonage bathrooms. We will begin the renovation process also by Spring if not sooner. Now, the wonderful news of a new ministry that is in the process of coming to the church! Council has given a "Conditional" approval for the LOGOS Christian School to come to our church in the school year beginning in August 2024. The LOGOS School is in the process of changing their name to Arche Classical Academy!!! I will now provide you with information regarding the Christian School and the steps towards this ministry:

First item is: Who and what is the Arche Classical Academy? The Arche Classical Academy which was created by a group of teachers and educators locally in the Carlisle Area to address the need for a Christian alternative to the public school system. There is a great need for Christian teaching in the Carlisle Area. Although there are other Christian Schools—they're not enough to accommodate the number of students whose parents want their children to have Biblical teaching in the curriculum. They currently are completing a 2 year contract with CEFC Church located on Petersburg Rd.

The Arche Classical Academy—formerly known as Logos Christian School has been in existence for 2 years, although the planning and formulating the School has been much longer.

The school is certified by the Pa. Dept of Education. On a side note: the term ARCHE is Greek meaning—Beginning or Origin, the first person or thing by which a series begins, First principle of knowledge. The philosophy that embodies the Arche Academy is this: We are nurturing the souls of our children into young people who are rooted in Christ, able to discern the truth, and have cultivated a taste for that which is good and beautiful as they engage their calling and purpose in life for the Glory of God. Every part of the curriculum is designed to discern and reclaim the Glory of God throughout history in all subjects of knowledge. The school has education classes for students K-7th grades. They follow the normal School Year and school opens at 7:45 AM and dismissal at 2:45. After care begins after 2:45 and ends at 5:30PM. The Arche School is a NON-Profit School. They currently have 80 students.

Here are some items of interest related to the use of the church:

What is the Conditional Approval: There is a process to have any facility as well as the actual school to be approved. The school had been already approved as an educational institution and with the change of location they need to check with the Dept. of Education as well as the Carlisle Borough for any issues with Zoning. The Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) approved the use of the church for the school with the conditions that they limit enrollment to 117 students and that any bus traffic—if there would be—use the red light and enter through the rear of the church. The school is now applying with the Dept. of Education to move the school to the Carlisle First Church of God.

We have met with the Board Members of the School and even visited their existing set-up at CEFC. We have reviewed the space needed and other details. The school provides their own custodian as well as their own security. We would limit the school to a maximum of 2 years and that again would be conditional based on a review after the first 4 months of school.

As we continue in the process we will be meeting to formulate the conditions of the lease arrangement. Why are they leaving CEFC you may ask: The simple reason is the Lease arrangement with CEFC was for 2 years and CEFC now has plans for the use of their facility. We have discussed and verified with the folks at CEFC. The school has been very good occupants at CEFC. It may take a little while as does anything that is new to become that “well oiled machine” . We have and will continue to let God lead the way in this ministry. As God continues to open the doors and provides the approvals so we too will walk in His will.

On behalf of the Council we seek your continued prayers as the process progresses and that if it is God’s will doors will be open and we can be a part of an exciting ministry to bring God’s Holy Word into the hearts and minds of the students in the upcoming School Year.

**Thank You and may God bless you!!
Alan McConnell
Council President**

LOVIN' GOOD
in your
NEIGHBORHOOD
 Luke 10:27

**CAMP YOLIJWA
 YOUNG
 ADULT
 RETREAT
 2024**

Post High - 30 Years Old
 February 16-18, 2024



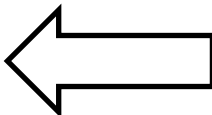
717.776.5281
 www.campyolijwa.org

FEBRUARY 16 - 18, 2024
 If you are a young adult, we have a great opportunity for you! Join us for the Young Adult Retreat at Camp YoliJwa as we discuss how to Deeply Rooted in the Lord.

Cost
 \$116 per person fee includes: Two nights lodging, 5 meals, snacks and programming expenses.

Lodging
 Participants will stay in dormitory style lodging. Accommodations for married couples can be made in Lodge dorm rooms. Alternative lodging for married couples can be requested in a Mountain View Suite for an additional ***/night per room. Space is limited.

What to Bring
 Bed Linens or sleeping bags, pillow, towels, toiletries, winter clothing, notebook, pen and BIBLE!



Doubling Gap Center's Winter Picnic



February 4,
3-7 p.m.

Dress for the theme by wearing hiking/camping clothes

Please Bring a Side Dish (in a disposable container) to Share

- Last name starting with:
- A-I: Salad (fruit/veg/potato/pasta)
 - J-Q: Dessert
 - R-Z: Salty Snack

Events for ALL Ages

- 3pm - Winter Sports, Camp Activities, Open Gym & Camp Store
- 4pm - Picnic Buffet
- 5pm - National Park Presentation
- 6pm - Devotions & Snack!

JOIN US FOR OUR WINTER PICNIC ! THIS ANNUAL DOUBLING GAP CENTER EVENT IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER! YOUR FAMILY IS INVITED TO CELEBRATE, "YOLIJWA SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK ON FEBRUARY 4, 2024. JOIN IN THE FUN BY WEARING HIKING/CAMPING ATTIRE AND WIN A PRIZE! ENJOY ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES INCLUDING A FIREWORKS SHOW TO END THE EVENING! HOT DOGS AND DRINK WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE CAMP. EACH FAMILY IS ASKED TO BRING ONE DISH TO SHARE AS LISTED ABOVE.

****Donations collected at this free event to help cover costs.**