

CARLISLE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

*Please remember to put cell phones on silence or turn
off electronic devices while in the sanctuary. Thank you.*

The Announcements and Words of Welcome

The Prelude

*The Call to Worship

Pastor: If God be for us, who can be against us?

**People: He that spared not his own son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not
with him freely give us all things? (Romans 8:31, 32)**

*The Invocation

*The Gloria Patri #813

*The Hymn "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #250

The Prayer Requests

*The Morning Prayer

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

*The Doxology #815

*The Offertory Prayer

The Scripture Lesson Matthew 27:1-2

The Message THE CHILD SPARED WAS NOT SPARED

The Bread—Pastor Alan Mathna

The Hymn "The Lamb of God"

*(The Choir will sing the first stanza and the Congregation will join in singing the second stanza, the
words of which are printed below.)*

Your gift of love they crucified,
They laughed and scorned Him as He died;
The humble King they named a fraud,
And sacrificed the Lamb of God

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God;
I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in His precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God (CCLI #1765960)

The Cup—Pastor Greg Hench

The Anthem “Christmas Sanctus”

The Adult Choir

The Hymn “The Lamb of God”

#302

(Third stanza only, the words of which are printed below.)

I was so lost I should have died,
But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod,
Ad to be called a lamb of God.

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God;
I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in His precious blood,
Till I am just a lamb of God. (CCLI #1765960)

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

**Those who are able may stand*

VISITORS

- > Have you been mugged lately? Before you leave our church today, please stop by the “Visitors’ Center” in the lobby. We would like to give you a mug to take home. Also we have information and maps about our church. The “muggers” at the Visitors’ Center can answer your questions. Thank you for your visit today!
- > Please help yourself to a brochure on the stand in the Narthex. This brochure identifies the various classes and their location for Sunday School which you are invited to attend. Questions generated from the brochure may be addressed to anyone of our Sunday School officers or to our pastors. Please join us for Sunday School.

TODAY IN OUR CHURCH

- 9:30 a.m. —Worship Service with Communion

—Junior Church for children age 4 thru Grade 4

—Nursery

-10:40 a.m. —Sunday School hour

- Nursery

- Rotation Sunday School for age 4 thru Grade 6

- Adult and Youth classes for all ages

-2:30—3:15 p.m. —Our Church will conduct the Worship Service at the Church of God Home. The Choir will be singing some selections from the Christmas Musical and there will be other special music. Also, Pastor Mathna will bring a short message from God’s Word. The residents are always happy to see people from the church join them in worship, so you are most welcome to come and share together in the afternoon service at our Church Home

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Joel (Louise) Black

Muggers: Mr. Bill Hench and Grandson Mat

Nursery: Mrs. Stephanie McGarrell

Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters

Ushers: *Mr. Shane Britcher

Mr. Ron Stevens

Mr. Bryan Dellinger

Mr. Justin Kuhn

The altar flowers are presented in honor of Gary Prosser’s 70th birthday, January 9, by his wife Judy.

THIS WEEK—January 6-12

Monday - 7:00 p.m.—Church Council meeting

Tuesday - 7:00 p.m.—CGWM meeting

Wednesday Family Night Programming

- 6:00 p.m.—Junior Choir practice
 - Middle School EDGE
- 6:30 p.m.—Nursery
 - BLAST: Wacky Hair Night
 - Bible Study and Prayer Meeting will meet in the old fellowship hall (the Junior Church area)
- 7:10 p.m.—Senior High EDGE
- 7:30 p.m.—Senior Choir practice

Thursday - noon—Jolly Olde Timers—**TODAY** (Sunday) is the final day to sign up for the pizza, salad and ice cream social. Entertainment will be provided by Rev. Mathna and his trains.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 6, 2013

- 9:30 a.m. —Worship Service
 - Junior Church for children age 4 thru Grade 4
 - Nursery
 - 10:40 a.m. —Sunday School hour
 - Nursery
 - Rotation Sunday School for age 4 thru Grade 5
 - Youth and Adults classes
- a.m.—Deadline for February/March newsletter information
—Also remember to let the church secretary know if your address changes

LOOKING AHEAD

January 21 - 7:00 p.m.—Sunday School Board meeting

MISSION MOMENT—Be in prayer for Connor and Alex Sheriff as they spend some of their “vacation” from college in Haiti as part of a mission program called Awaken Haiti. The focus of the programs is to provide aid to orphans, and to help rebuild community and medical services still affected by the devastating earthquake in January of 2010. Pray that they might touch the lives of Haitians in effective ways as they minister in the Name of Christ.

PRAYER REQUESTS—To have a prayer request put on the telephone prayer chain, you should call Shirley McConnell (249-4095) and Sariann Worley (243-3611). To have a prayer request placed on the email prayer chain, you may email Scott and Cheryl Gobin at gobinsmail@comcast.net. These are not mutually exclusive prayer opportunities—you are welcome to avail yourself of any or all.

THE 2013 ALTAR FLOWER CHART has been posted. To sponsor the flowers for a Sunday, please neatly print your information for your selected Sunday(s). The cost is \$32.00 and the flowers are delivered by Hoy’s Greenhouse.

WE EXTEND SYMPATHY to the family of Mrs. Mabel Jumper who passed away on Wednesday, January 2, 2013. We offer our condolences to Mabel’s four children and their families as well as to her friends here at Carlisle First. Mrs. Jumper was a member of Carlisle First for over 45 years.

JANUARY 6 INFORMATION

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen
Muggers: Col. and Mrs. Terry Mitchell
Nursery: Mrs. Karen Neidigh
Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters
Ushers: *Mr. Ray Kunkel Mr. Gary Prosser
 Mr. John Gross Mr. Marlin Negley

DECEMBER 30, 2012 REPORT

Attendance

Worship	242
Nursery	5
Sunday School	92
<u>Wednesday</u>	
BLAST	31
EDGE	50
Bible Study	37

WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY

If it is necessary to cancel a Sunday morning service, we will make that decision by 8:15 a.m. and attempt to have it announced over the following TV Stations: WHP-21 and UPN-15. Since there are several Churches of God in Carlisle, our church will be distinguished by the use of the word or symbol *FIRST (1st)*, i.e. Carlisle *First* Church of God or *First* Church of God, Carlisle. We will also post it on our Web site at www.carlislecog.org. More importantly, the Council has developed a system whereby we will endeavor to telephone each family or person when Sunday Morning services are cancelled. **But no system is perfect! When in doubt, call a member of the Council** before attempting to drive to church in snowy or icy conditions.

We tend to cancel **Wednesday evening** services *more frequently* because snow-covered roads and slippery highways are much more treacherous to drive on at night. **If the Carlisle School District cancels classes on a Wednesday or dismisses early on a Wednesday because of weather conditions, all Family Night Services will be automatically cancelled.** Otherwise, the decision to cancel Family Night services will be made no later than 4:45 p.m. We will post cancellations on the Web site and on the aforementioned TV stations. If you have any questions, call either the Pastor, the Music Director, the EDGE Leaders, or the BLAST Leaders.

Regardless of our decision, please use your best judgment concerning your safety when weather conditions are deteriorating. *If you have reservations about driving, it may be advisable to stay home that morning or that night.*



Shoes 2 Share

The GCWM is embarking on a mission project with a grassroots, charitable organization named Shoes2Share. Their mission is to provide new and like-new shoes to children and their families in the U.S. and around the world in order to permit those individuals to participate in school, church, sports, work or just everyday protection for their feet.

The Shoes2Share mission was born when an American couple traveled to Haiti to adopt two children and were able to really witness the extreme sufferings and daily plight of the children of this poor country.

The CGWM has chosen to help the efforts of this organization by donating new or gently used shoes for children, teens, men and women, and we invite you to join us in this effort. All types of shoes are accepted, provided they are in good repair. This means if your children have outgrown their sneakers or boots or dress shoes, or if you have unused shoes just sitting in your closet - you can donate them!

A receptacle will be set up in the church narthex beginning Jan. 13 to receive your donations. All we ask is that you tie together any pair of shoes with laces or rubber-band together other pairs without laces.

This is a short-term mission, with the final collection date of Sunday, January 27, 2013. Please help us in our efforts to provide foot coverings to those in need.

You will be able to learn more about Shoes2Share by visiting their website at: Shoes2Share.org. You can read about their on-going visions for other outreach such as the Fallen Footwear Foundation which has the goal of providing the gift of new shoes to children who have lost a parent in the line of duty in the U.S. (military, police, firemen, etc.) They also plan to provide shoes in areas affected by disasters in the U.S. and around the world.

