

CARLISLE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

**705 Glendale Street
Carlisle, PA 17013**

**January 15, 2012
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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.

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: For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things,

People: God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book.

Pastor: And if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy,

People: God will take away his part from the Book of Life.

Unison: The Scripture cannot be broken.
(Revelation 22:18, 29 and John 10:35)

*The Invocation

*The Gloria Patri #813

*The Hymn "How Firm a Foundation" #408

The Prayer Requests

*The Morning Prayer

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

*The Doxology #815

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.

*The Offertory Prayer

The Anthem

The Scripture Lesson 2 Peter 1:16-21

The Message IN THE PALACE OR IN THE PRISON...
WHERE WOULD YOU RATHER BE?

*The Hymn "Holy Bible, Book Divine" #412

*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. Thanks 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 cordially 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.

The altar flowers are presented by Pastor Paul and Cleora Hauk in honor of their 64th wedding anniversary yesterday.

The floral arrangement on the piano is presented by the 160th Pathfinder Foundation Troopers in memory of their fallen 101st Pathfinder comrades Ron Reynolds, Donald Ragsdale, Patrick Bohan, Thomas Kukowski, David Winkle, and Guy Fearn. These six troopers were killed in action while serving our Country in Vietnam.

TODAY IN OUR CHURCH

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Parker (Shirley) Dunbar

Muggers: Mr. and Mrs. James (Trudy) Strine

Head Usher: Mr. Ray Kunkel

Ushers: *Mr. Art Bittinger Mr. Bryan Dellinger

 Mr. John Gross Mr. Shane Britcher

- 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service**
- **Junior Church** children age 4 thru Grade 4
- **Nursery**

- 10:40 a.m. - Sunday School hour**
- Nursery
- Rotation for children age —Grade 5
- Youth and Adult classes

TODAY is the final deadline for information for the Feb/Mar newsletter If your address has changed or you do not currently receive the newsletter, please give your information to the church secretary **TODAY** to be added or information corrected in the data base..

THIS WEEK—January 15-21

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

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.—Junior Choir practice
 —Middle School EDGE

- 6:30 p.m.—Nursery
 —BLAST

—Adult Bible Study and Prayer Meeting: Pastor Roddy Runyan will be sharing the ministry of the Fruitbelt Farmworker Christian Ministry. Pastor Runyan is Executive Director of this ministry to several thousand migrant and seasonal farmworkers in Adams, Cumberland and Franklin counties. The goal is to demonstrate the love of Christ to these sojourners who are often separated from their homes, families, culture and spiritual roots. Under the direction of Mrs. Susie Keck we have already collected sweaters and we hope to be involved this year by collecting blankets for FFCM to distribute to many of the workers who come here without any bed clothing. We will also receive an

- offering that will go to the ministry of FFCM over and above our regular support. Checks may be made payable to the Carlisle First Church of God.
- 7:30 p.m.—Senior Choir practice

NEXT SUNDAY—January 22, 2012

- 9:30 a.m. —Worship Service
 - Junior Church children, age 4 through Grade 4, will either sing with the Junior Choir or sit with their parents for the Worship opening after which they will be dismissed to their classes.
 - Nursery
- 10:40 a.m. —Sunday School hour
 - Nursery
 - Rotation Sunday School for age 4 through Grade 6
 - Youth and Adult classes for all ages

LOOKING AHEAD

January 27 - 7:00 p.m.—BLAST snow tubing—*see special insert*

January 29 - 3-7 p.m.—Doubling Gap Center's Annual Winter Picnic. This year's theme is "SUPERHERO SUNDAY". Meat and drink will be provided by the Camp. Each family is asked to bring a side dish to share: Last name A-F, salty snack; G-L, pasta or vegetable salad; M-R, fruit or fruit salad; S-Z, dessert.

February 3-4 - Uncle Greg wants you—*see special insert*

MISSION MOMENT—Please be in prayer for the families who were able to enjoy a nicer Christmas due to the mission of BLAST to provide food and gifts for parents and children currently going through financially stressful times in the Big Spring, Carlisle, and South Middleton School Districts. Although we do not know who these folks are, pray that they would continue to be touched by the outreach to them in the name of Jesus.

CHURCH ENVELOPE BOXES have been prepared and if you are a current envelope user, please pick up your box in the choir practice room across the hall from the Nursery. If you at present do not use the envelope system for giving of your tithes and offerings and now desire to contribute in this manner, please see Ray Kunkel, Financial Secretary, to obtain a box. Please note: You do not need to be a church member to participate in this method of giving.

2012 ALTAR FLOWER CHART has been posted and many Sundays (**including next Sunday**) still need a sponsor. Please neatly sign for the Sundays you desire to sponsor the flowers. Flower envelopes are available beside the chart in which to place the \$30.00 cost of the flowers. On the Sunday you sponsor the flowers, just place the flower envelope with check or cash in the offering plate. Also please neatly print your information on the chart indicating the reason such as M (in memory) or B (birthday), or A (anniversary), etc.

LADIES please join us for a Beth Moore study on Esther. If you've ever felt inadequate, threatened, or pushed into situations that seemed overpowering, this is the study for you. Beth peels back the layers of history and shows how very contemporary and applicable the story of Esther is to our lives. The study begins Thursday February 9 through April 19th (we will not meet the week of Easter). There will be two classes to choose from: Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:45 a.m. and Thursday evenings from 6:15-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$15.00 for the workbook, payable to Lisa Dellinger. Please sign up in the lobby no later than Feb. 5th. If you have any questions, contact Lisa at 218-0211 or Delingerfam5@gmail.com.

MR. RAYMOND HOOVER is currently in the Church of God Home receiving physical therapy following a recent hospitalization. If you would like to send him a card, the address is Church of God Home, 801 North Hanover Street, Carlisle, PA 17013.

MRS. MUFFY PUTT will be celebrating her birthday on Monday, January 16. If you would like to send her a card, the address is 4 Midland Drive, Mt. Holly Springs, PA 17065.

THANK YOU MESSAGE: Thank you to our church for the kind gift we received at Christmas. May God bless each and every one of our "family" here at First Church. Mike and Jody Minnich

JANUARY 22 INFORMATION

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bigham
Muggers: Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bennett
Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters
Ushers: * Mr. John Sheriff Mr. Jim Heinbaugh
 Mr. Bill Downes Mr. Doug Frick

JANUARY 8, 2012 REPORT

Attendance

Worship	270
Nursery	10
Sunday School	100
Junior Church	24
<u>Wed. night</u>	
EDGE	25
Bible Study	41

SHARE THE WORD If you are blessed by the Morning Worship Service, you can spread the blessing by sharing a CD recording of the service with someone who was not present. This is a wonderful opportunity to minister to shut-ins. Order from Chris Campbell at the Sound Control Desk in the rear of the sanctuary after the service.

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.*

BLAST invites you to go Snow Tubing

WHERE: Ski Roundtop

WHEN: Friday, January 27th

TIME: 7p..m. –9 p.m.

Sponsored by BLAST and the Carlisle First Church of God

BLAST kids and a friend tube for free!

*Come and watch for free

- *Sign up (\$15 for 6th grade—adults)
- *Children free (kiddie hill for those age 2-4)
- *Invite a friend
- *Bring snacks and drinks to share
- *Everyone tubing must sign up and give a completed release form to Cheryl Gobin by January 20th—NO changes after Jan. 20th.



Friday Feb 3rd - Saturday Feb 4th

Are you a man? Apparently not a manly man, because you didn't call me. Or maybe because there weren't enough pictures on my advertisement. Real manly Men like pictures!

Manly Men like SNOW TUBING as well and that is why the need for the date change. The BLAST KIDS are going SNOW TUBING on the 27th and I do not want to interfere with that. That also means we get to ne MANLY MEN two weekends in a row.

Come join us for the first ever

Manly Man Men's Masculine Macho Something or Other weekend will consist of an evening of work, fun and some manly words of encouragement (Friday) and a day playing PAINTBALL. (Saturday)

WORK PROJECTS

As a part of the Manly Man Time we will be making and installing ceiling mounted lighting supports in the gym. (Sorry no welding. I do not want to be held responsible for a bunch of men being blind.) We will be installing a back up camera system on the church van. And we will be doing some other needed tasks around the church.

After the work and everything is done, you will then have the option to go home and sleep in your own bed, or for those interested we can sleep at the church and talk like a bunch of little girls till the wee hours of the morning.

BREAKFAST

No yogurt or fruit for a manly man. We are talking bacon and sausage... RAW. (Ok maybe not raw. But it certainly felt manly typing that.) Pancakes are the closest thing to feminine being served Saturday morning. Maybe we will make them in the shape Marlin Miller's FORD Truck. That would make them manlier.

PAINTBALL...

We will be heading to Ski Roundtop where we will be engaging in a friendly MANLY game of paintball.