

CARLISLE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

**705 Glendale Street
Carlisle, PA 17013**

**February 12, 2012
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**Rev. D. Alan Mathna
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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: Let it be known to you all that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth this man has been healed.

People: Nor is thee salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. (Acts 4:10, 12)

*The Invocation

*The Choral Introit "His Name is Wonderful" (*without optional repeat*) #118

*The Hymn "O Magnify the Lord" #124

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 John 14:1-6

The Message IS THE SMOKE RISING VERTICALLY IN YOUR LIFE?

*The Hymn "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" #123

*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 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 in honor of the 18th birthday of Alexandra Sheriff on February 7 by her family.

TODAY IN OUR CHURCH

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Donald (Beverly) Britcher

Muggers: Col. and Mrs. Terry (Donna) Mitchell

Head Usher: Mr. Alan McConnell

Ushers: *Mr. Rick Thomas

Mr. Ray Kunkel

Mr. John Gross

Mr. Shane Britcher

- 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 for children age 4—Grade 5
- Youth and Adult classes

After services—Eat at Hoss's. Proceeds will benefit the special activities of the CGWM. Please pick up a card in the basket on the table in the Narthex.

THIS WEEK—February 12-18

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.—Junior Choir practice
—Middle School EDGE
- 6:30 p.m.—Nursery
—BLAST
—Adult Bible Study—Are you an iconoclast? Not sure? Come and find out as we continue our study of Church history against the backdrop of 1 Chronicles 21:12-22:2.
- 7:10 p.m.—Senior High EDGE
- 7:30 p.m.—Senior Choir practice

Thursday - 9:30-11:45 a.m.—Ladies Bible Study
- 6:15-8:30 p.m.—Ladies Bible Study

Friday - 7:00 p.m.—CGWM ladies to the Church Home for the Home's monthly birthday party.

NEXT SUNDAY—February 19, 2012

- 9:30 a.m. —Worship Service
—Junior Church for children age 4 through Grade 4
—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

- February 21 or March 1** - 6-9 p.m.—CPR training. James Swartz will be instructing the classes and you need only to attend one to become certified. The fee of \$25.00 is for the current CPR guidelines from the American Heart Association and will include the use of the AED (Automatic External Defibrillator). Anyone is welcome to sign up for the course and anyone who is on the emergency action team who needs CPR certification is encouraged to attend a class. If you have any questions, please direct them to Alan McConnell and Shane Britcher.
- February 26** - 10:40 a.m.—An “Ancient Book” in a “Techno World”...Can it work? Join our Young Adult Bible Study based on “Living with Confidence in a Chaotic World” by Dr. David Jeremiah. To get to this new class, go past the computer room and it is to the right of the CCI classroom.
- February 26** If you have a child ages 4 through high school please join us for Sunday School on Feb. 26 and a pizza party immediately following Sunday School in the gym. The pizza is for parents too!!! It will be a great time to introduce your child to their Sunday School teachers and for you to meet some of the other parents if you don't already know them. If you have any questions please see Pastor Greg, Karen Neidigh, Cheryl Gobin or Lisa Dellinger.
- March 12** - 6:30 p.m.—Annual audit of church treasurers' books.
- March 17** - 5:30 p.m.—Over 60's Dinner—If you would like to attend this dinner, geared to those of you who are over the age of 60, please sign up at the list located on the first bulletin board to your left as you proceed towards Fellowship Hall (across from the Nursery). There is no cost to attend. Feel free to invite a neighbor, relative or friend. (NOTE: The dinner was originally scheduled for March 10 but has been changed to March 17.

MISSION MOMENT—Pray for the ministry of Gospel for Asia, specifically that the rickshaw, water buffalo, 2 pair of goats, 2 pigs, and 2 pair of chickens provided by our Rotation Sunday School might help provide a better life to people living in desperate poverty. Furthermore pray that the Gospel for Asia native pastors as they distribute these items along with the 14 Bibles to those in need. Specifically ask God to use these pastors to bring the gospel to those in need in such a way that they find the best life, new life in Christ.

NO CHILD SHOULD have to drink contaminated water. Please join BLAST in our spring mission in which we will be sending money to LIFE Outreach International to help build clean wells in communities around the world. There is a display and collection box in both lobbies of the church if you feel led to contribute to this mission. If you need further information, please call Cheryl Gobin 245-0714 or Lisa Dellinger 218-0211. Thank you.

IF YOU ARE LOOKING for someone who might appreciate being remembered on Valentines Day, may we suggest you need look no further than our list of shut-ins posted on the CGWM bulletin board across from the Nursery. We're not suggesting you send every shut-in a “Thinking of you at Valentine's Day” card, but maybe there is one or two individuals listed that you might want to remember in this unique way. The list (titled “Our Extended Church Family”) has recently been updated so all names and addresses should be current. It might be a nice way to show Christ's love this Valentine's Day holiday!

DO YOU REMEMBER our Pastor's sermon from last week? Jesus was at the well with the Samaritan woman where He offered her His “living water”. Your church library has the book for you! “The Case for Christ”, written by Lee Strobel. He was a former atheist, who has a Master of Studies in Law degree from Yale Law School. Today, he is a teaching Pastor near Chicago. In this book, he cross-examines a dozen experts with doctorates from leading colleges about the facts behind Jesus. This is a great and easy read loaded with facts about Jesus and how we can know that He is our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Ravi Zacharias says, “Utterly fascinating. I wholeheartedly recommend it.” Do drop into your library and pick up an excellent book. Or, just drop in and browse. We believe we have something for everyone.

ON SATURDAY, February 18, Mr. Jay Shatto will be celebrating his birthday. If you would like to send him a card, the address is Thornwald Home, 442 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17013.

PROJECT SHARE requests help in providing Easter dinner to families due to job loss or a decrease in income. They are anticipating serving 1100 low-income families during the month of March with a dinner bag and invite you to partner with them to provide an Easter dinner to your neighbors in need. Included in a dinner bag is

Canned pineapple	Box/bag of brown sugar
Canned green beans	Bottle of 100% juice
Bag of fresh potatoes	Dessert mix (brownies, etc.)
Instant bread mix	An Easter Card (may be handmade)

If you are able to include a ham (4-7 lbs.), that is wonderful. It is best if it does not require refrigeration. A gift card for a ham is fine also. Or, you may donate funds to offset the cost of hams that they have already purchased. Dinner bags should be delivered to Project SHARE by March 13.

AN ALTAR FLOWER SPONSOR is needed for next Sunday and for two Sundays in March. If you are interested in sponsoring the flowers on any of these Sundays, please neatly sign the altar flower chart on the main bulletin board outside the infant nursery room.

PASTOR GREG would like to say a BIG thank you to the MANLY MEN who came out on Friday Night to do some needed jobs around the church. The MANLY MEN hung hardware on the ceiling of the gym **strong enough to suspend a tractor trailer** even though all it needs to hold is up to 80 pounds. They don't want to be blamed for anything falling from the ceiling. They also hung picture frames in all the classrooms that will soon display evacuation escape routes for each Sunday School Class Room. Blue ink was removed from the stage from when the sound equipment was installed, and carpet stains were removed as well. In the kitchen one of the MANLY MEN did some serious cleaning of the floor with some chemical that anyone who was NOT a MANLY MAN probably would have used a Hazmat suit - but not this MANLY MAN. And I almost forgot, we also had a team who went throughout the whole church and checked and lubricated the windows to make sure they were operational in the event of an emergency and the window would be the method of escape.

Thank you Paul Capehart "Hazmat Man"/ Ken Houck, Randy Barrick, (The Picture Frame Hangers) /Tim Tebow, oops, sorry, not Tim Tebow, Tim Berrier (Stain Removal Man) / and Todd Robinson. (Todd was the official leader of "Lets make it so a Tractor Trailer can hang from the ceiling" MAN.) I would like to say a HUGE thank you to Lester Diehl for the HUGE lag bolts that were so HUGE that I think they went through the hardware, the drywall, the ceiling joists and out through the shingles and are sticking out the roof. (We didn't go look because we didn't want to know.) And another Thank you to Dwain "Squeak" Ronan and Solomon (Not King David's Son) Green who were the Window guys. And thank you to an always "willing to help" EDGE Member Jakey Heuman.

My second round of men I would like to thank are the MANLY MEN of the kitchen who prepared Breakfast as a part of the MANLY MAN MINI WEEKEND. There was certainly some MANLY (and delicious) food being consumed last Saturday Morning. Thank you Lee Deihl (I think Lee was the boss. He was quiet and simply went about his tasks, but there was this respect of "Don't mess with Lee" that was much a part of the morning. Thank you to Colonel Mitchell (I call him Colonel so that he feels like he was the boss. Trust me, he is not the Boss. My dad tells me that all the time.) And thank you to Bill Hench (he was the Boss of me till I turned 14 and then I knew everything so I became his boss. So I thought. Now he tries to be the boss of Terry. I'm not too sure how that is working for him.) And a big thank you to Bob Putt, The Bacon, Sausage and Pancake Boss. He enjoyed being the boss of the Bacon, Sausage and Pancakes because they don't argue, and if they would, he would just eat them.

It is truly a joy and a lot of fun in the kitchen with these men who love to joke around and have an all around great time together. And trust me, I wrote this the way that I did because of the humor in the kitchen about who really is the boss.

STARS OF HOPE & REMEMBRANCE

Look for the basket of purple stars on the table in the Narthex, fill it in with your loved ones' name, picture, a poem or personal message and place it in the basket ... then come out to the Relay For Life of Carlisle on May 18th-19th and see your STAR displayed at our tent site!

FEBRUARY 19 INFORMATION

Greeters: Mrs. Cheryl Downes and son Will
Muggers: Mr. and Mrs. James Strine

Head Usher: Mr. John Sheriff
Ushers: *Mr. Gary Prosser
Mr. Doug Frick

Mr. Bill Downes
Mr. Ron Stevens

FEBRUARY 5, 2012 REPORT

Attendance

Worship 196
Nursery 8
Sunday School 90
Junior Church 16

Wednesday Night

Bible Study 16
BLAST 30

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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.*

