

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: For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ.

People: If one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

Unison: Now we are the body of Christ, and members individually.
(I Corinthians 12:12, 26-27)

*The Invocation

*The Gloria Patri #813

*The Hymn "Ye Servants of God" #38

The Recognition of New Members

The Prayer Requests

*The Morning Prayer

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

*The Doxology #815

*The Offertory Prayer

The Anthem

The Scripture Lesson—Romans 12:3-8

The Message WHAT'S MY PURPOSE?

*The Hymn "We Are an Offering" #678

*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

—**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

- 6:00 p.m.—Pastor Retirement/Fellowship Dinner: This event will be held in the

gymnasium. Just bring a hot and cold dish for yourself or your family to share, and a good appetite. (If you are a single teen or adult and can only bring an appetite, we want you here—there is always plenty of food!) The Council will provide meat, drinks, rolls and place settings.

Greeters: Mrs. Dorothy Barclay and Mrs. Shirley Stone

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

Nursery: Mrs. Stephanie McGarrell

Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters

Ushers: *Mr. Gary Prosser Mr. Doug Frick

Mr. John Sheriff

Mr. Bill Downes

The altar flowers are presented by Marty and Donna Clarke in honor of Pastor Alan Mathna's 25 1/2 years of serving as the shepherd of the flock at Carlisle First Church of God.

THIS WEEK—February 17-23

Wednesday Family Night Programming

- 6:00 p.m.—Junior Choir practice

—Middle School EDGE

- 6:30 p.m.—Nursery

—BLAST

—Adult Bible Study—We will continue our study in James 5

considering something that is often in very short supply.

- 7:00 p.m.—Senior High EDGE

- 7:30 p.m.—Senior Choir practice

Friday - 7-9 p.m.—COG middle school kids will be bowling at Trindle Bowling Center.

Cost is \$5.00. Meet at the church at 6:30 p.m. if you need a ride. Interested bowlers may contact Cheryl.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 24, 2013

- 9:30 a.m. —Worship Service

—Junior Church children age 4 thru Grade 4 will sit with their parents for the Worship Opening. Following the Object Lesson, the

children will

be dismissed to their classes.

—Nursery

-10:40 a.m. —Sunday School hour

-Nursery

-Rotation Sunday School for age 4 thru Grade 5

-Youth and Adults classes

LOOKING AHEAD

February 26 - 7:00 p.m.—7 Night Outreach Event, Boiling Springs High School

February 27 - 6:30 p.m.—Pastor Roddy Runyan will be sharing the ministry of 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 that 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.

March 3 - *PLEASE OBSERVE THE EARLY DEADLINE FOR APR/MAY NEWSLETTER INFORMATION.*

March 10 - 6:30 p.m.—The Good News Singers will present a concert entitled “The Anchor Holds” and is sponsored by the Jolly Olde Timers. Tell your friends to come and enjoy the evening. We will also have some refreshments.

March 16 - Ladies Day Out—Ladies, members of the CGWM are handing out registration forms today for the Ladies Day Out on March 16th. If you did not receive a Registration form, please see one of the members of CGWM who will be in the lobby after church. Your registration and money need to be returned by Sunday, March 10. There will be members of CGWM in the lobby each Sunday from now until then to answer questions and collect registrations. We hope you will join us for this new event for the Ladies of our church.

March 23 - 2:00 p.m.—The Jolly Olde Timers will be going to Christian Life Assembly church to see the Easter show. You need a ticket to attend with the group. Check with Glenn Crum if he has any remaining tickets.

MISSION MOMENT—Pray for staff and volunteers at our Church of God Home who endeavor to provide care and refreshment to the residents they serve in the Name of Christ. Pray for the leadership as they continue to work towards the “Partner in Ministry” with Stone Ridge Retirement Living in Myerstown.

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 CGWM has “adopted” two rooms in the Domestic Violence Shelter here in Carlisle. This will involve refurbishing those rooms so that they are a more welcoming, pleasant place for a woman and her children in a time of great stress. Some have expressed a desire to make a monetary gift to this project. If anyone is interested in making a donation for this project, please see Jean Ilgenfritz.

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. Three Sundays are still available for sponsorship in

March.

MR. JAY SHATTO will be celebrating his birthday, tomorrow, February 18. If you would like to send him a card, the address is Thornwald Home, 442 Walnut Bottom Road, Carlisle, PA 17013.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION—If you have box tops that you have collected but do not know a child in elementary school to give them to, they may be given to the children in Rotation Sunday School. They will divide them between the various elementary schools represented in Rotation. The school receives 10 cents for each box top collected.

SERVICE RECORDING—The Morning Service is recorded and is available on CD each week after the service at the Sound Control Desk in the rear of the sanctuary. Chris or Wendy Campbell will be glad to help you there.

THANK YOU MESSAGES:

Bill and Emily Hoover would like to thank the congregation for all the cards, prayers and flowers you sent due to the loss of our brother Raymond. Also thanks to Pastor Mathna and Pastor Greg for all their visits to the hospital and nursing home. We deeply appreciate your love and concern.

Dear Church family—We would like to thank you all for every act of kindness that you have done for my father Raymond Hoover—for the beautiful flowers, visits and cards. My father loved and treasured you all as his special friends through the Lord. You were all very special to him and to us his family. Love, **daughter Sandy Kipps and family.**

FEBRUARY 24 INFORMATION

Greeters: Mrs. Jean Noonan and Mrs. Betty Rhoades
Muggers: Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bennett
Nursery: Mrs. Kathy Warner
Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters
Ushers: *Mr. Art Bittinger Mr. Ray Kunkel
 Mr. Brian Barrick Mr. Larry Carmody

FEBRUARY 10, 2013 REPORT

Attendance

Worship	256
Nursery	3
Sunday School	106
Junior Church	24

Wednesday evening

Bible Study	40
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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.*