

**CARLISLE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD**

**705 Glendale Street  
Carlisle, PA 17013**

**February 19, 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: Jesus was transfigure before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.

**People: And behold a cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."** (Matthew 17:4, 5)

\*The Invocation

\*The Gloria Patri #813

\*The Hymns "My Savior's Love" #348

"O How He Loves You and Me" (*with optional transition*) #349

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 Special Music—Piano Solo by Alexandra Sheriff

The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

The Message THE DAY JESUS THREW HIS HAT IN THE RING

\*The Hymn "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" #292

\*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 by Pat Neidigh in honor of daughter Crystal Smiley's February 6th birthday, Grandson Robbie Smiley's 21st birthday February 15th and son-in-law Sean Frehn's birthday February 26th.

### **TODAY IN OUR CHURCH**

Greeters: Mrs. Cheryl Downes and son Will

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

Head Usher: Mr. John Sheriff

Ushers: \*Mr. Gary Prosser

Mr. Bill Downes

Mr. Doug Frick

Mr. Ron Stevens

- **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**

### **THIS WEEK—February 19-25**

**Tuesday** - 6-9 p.m.—CPR training. James Swartz will be instructing the class. The fee is \$25.00 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 (EITHER THE ONE LISTED HERE OR A DIFFERENT ONE ON MARCH 1) If you have any questions, please direct them to Alan McConnell and Shane Britcher.

**Wednesday** - 6:00 p.m.—Junior Choir practice  
—Middle School EDGE  
- 6:30 p.m.—Nursery  
—BLAST for ages 2 through Grade 6  
—Adult Bible Study—Our Church Home has recently begun a new program to facilitate communications between our Church Home and local churches. Our representatives to this Home Partner's ministry are Mrs. Bonnie Neidigh and Mrs. Cindy Campbell. Sherry Heim from the Church of God Home staff has been coordinating this new program and in an effort to keep local churches updated on what is happening at the Church Home, has offered to come and present the ministry of the Home to local churches. This Wednesday night she will be with us to update us on current events including the recent announcement that our Home has entered into

discussions with *StoneRidge Retirement Living* of Myerstown, PA regarding partnering to create a stronger Christian Ministry of serving senior adults. (*StoneRidge* is the Home for the Evangelical Congregation Churches, whose seminary's alumni includes Pastors Mathna and Hauk.) Plan on coming out to this meeting which promises to be most informative. The offering will go in its entirety to the Forever Caring Fund at our Home. You can make checks out to "Carlisle First Church of God."

- 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

### **NEXT SUNDAY—February 26, 2012**

- 9:30 a.m. —Worship Service
  - Junior Church children age 4 through Grade 4 will either sit with their parents for the Worship opening or sing with the Junior Choir. 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 through Grade 6
  - Youth and Adult classes for all ages
  - Young Adult Class begins: 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.

PLEASE NOTE: 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.

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

**March 1** - 6-9 p.m.—Alternate date for CPR training.

-6:30-9:00p.m.—The ALL CHURCH ROLLER SKATING PARTY IS ON AGAIN! Everyone is invited to come roller skating (or just hang out) at Midway Skating Rink and INVITE ALL YOUR FRIENDS! If you bring a SNACK to SHARE that would be wonderful. Pastor Greg is thinking Steak and Ribs, but if you bring chips or pretzels that's fine or baked goodies, that is even better. Admission is FREE: Skate rentals are \$2.00. So bring your family, your neighbors, your relatives, your friends and your enemies!. Come and have a great time of fellowship.

**March 5** - 7:00 p.m.—Church Council meeting

**March 6** - 6:00 p.m.—Ladies—bring your favorite teacup and join us for a "spot of tea" and a delicious meal prepared by Cheryl Gobin (menu on CGWM bulletin board). ALL LADIES of the church are invited and are welcome to bring a friend. Following the meal we will have a devotional and short business meeting. If you haven't joined us in the past, why not treat yourself? You will be glad you did! Please sign up in advance at the CGWM bulletin board in the hallway so we know how many to prepare for.

**March 12** - 6:30 p.m.—Annual audit of church treasurers' books.

**March 13** (Tuesday) Please note the date This isn't the Jolly Olde Timers regularly scheduled day to meet. Join us at noon for soup, salad and dessert. Donna Mitchell will be speaking/demonstrating for us the world of "Pastel Painting". Please sign-up on the bulletin board before Sunday, March 11.

**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. The entertainment portion of the evening will be an organ concert given by our very own Michael Minnich. You will not want to miss either the dinner or the concert. Feel free to invite a neighbor, relative or friend. Menu is roast turkey and trimmings. (NOTE: The dinner was originally scheduled for March 10 but has been changed to March 17.

**March 17** - 6:45 p.m.—Michael Minnich, our church organist, will be giving an organ concert. You will not want to miss this display of talent and gift that he is willing to share with us. Invite your family, friends and neighbors. (If you are over the age of 60, please join us for dinner at 5:30 p.m. in our gymnasium. Sign up in advance on the sheet located on the bulletin board in the hallway near the Nursery.

**MISSION MOMENT**—Pray for Mike and Natinha Poe serving in Palmas, Brazil. Ask the Lord to guide them in mentoring leadership at the Santo Amaro and Taquari churches.

**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.

**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.

**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.livelife4god.com](http://www.livelife4god.com). 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 Pastor, the Music Director, the EDGE Leaders, or the BLAST Leaders.**

**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 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> and see your *STAR* displayed at our tent site!

**AN ALTAR FLOWER SPONSOR** is needed 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.

**CD's AVAILABLE**—Have you ever wished you could share the Morning Worship Service with family or friends who were not there? Now you can! CDs of the service are available at the Sound Control Desk in the rear of the sanctuary after the service. See Chris Campbell.

**FEBRUARY 26 INFORMATION**

Greeters: Mrs. Betty Rhoades and Mrs. Myrtle Hoffman  
Muggers: Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bennett  
Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters  
Ushers: \*Mr. Art Bittinger                      Mr. Chris Campbell  
              Mr. Brian Barrick                      Mr. Bryan Dellinger

**FEBRUARY 12, 2012 REPORT**

Attendance

Worship	221
Nursery	6
Sunday School	107
Junior Church	26

Wednesday Night

Bible Study	41
BLAST	34