

CARLISLE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
705 Glendale Street
Carlisle, PA 17013

March 4, 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: This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope. It is because of the LORD'S mercies we are not consumed.

People: Because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning.

Unison: Great is Thy faithfulness! (Psalm 71:9; Isaiah 46:3-4)

*The Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #139

The Prayer Requests

*The Hymn "Let's Just Praise the Lord" #18

*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 Matthew 16:27—17:8

The Message WHAT A WEEKEND!

*The Hymn "We Shall Behold Him" #755

*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 Joel and Louise Black in memory of her parents Charles and Viola Kramer.

TODAY IN OUR CHURCH

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Randy (Deb) Heckendorn

Muggers: Mr. Bill Hench and grandson Mat

Nursery: Mrs. Stephanie McGarrell

Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters

Ushers: *Mr. Rick Thomas

Mr. Robert Franklin

Mr. Larry Carmody

Mr. Marlin Negley

- 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 for children age 4—Grade 5

- Youth and Adult classes including the new class for the Post High which meets in the room to the right of the CCI classroom which is past the computer room.

THIS WEEK—March 4-10

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

Tuesday - 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.

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

- 6:30 p.m.—Nursery

—BLAST for ages 2 through Grade 6 WEAR A CRAZY HAT!

—Adult Bible Study—More "M and M's"! From Monks and Missionaries to Martyrs and Martin (Luther, that is!) we will continue our study of God working through His church on earth.

- 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, MARCH 11, 2012

- 9:30 a.m. —Worship Service with Pastor Paul Hauk speaking
—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 5
-Youth, Post High and Adult classes for all ages

LOOKING AHEAD

- March 12** - 6:30 p.m.—Annual audit of church treasurers' books
- March 13** - noon (Tuesday) Please note the date This isn't the Jolly Olde Timers regularly scheduled day to meet. Join us 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 16** - 7:45 p.m.—Several youth groups are getting together for fun, pizza and roller skating sponsored by the Youth and Family Commission of the Churches of God Eastern Region. The cost is \$10 and we will be spending the night at The New Beginnings Loft on Petersburg Road when the event is over at midnight. We will meet at the church at 7:45 p.m. and travel to Mt. Pleasant Church of God (near Ski Round Top) where we will play some games, eat pizza, hear a speaker and then leave for roller skating at Midway till midnight. After that we head to the New Beginnings Loft and watch some funny Christian comedian videos (like Tim Hawkins) and go to bed about 2:00 a.m. Those attending are to be picked up from the New Beginnings Loft between 8:45-9:00 a.m. on the morning of the 17th.
- 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.
- March 18** - 7:00 a.m.—Forty-fifth annual Family Communion Lenten Breakfast sponsored by the Carlisle Y's Men's & Women's Service Club at the Philip Bongiorno Conference Center (Camp Shand). The breakfast buffet is for everyone and will consist of an assortment of many food items to select from and includes a service of Thanksgiving, Praise, Song and Communion to bring families together during the Lenten Season. Special music will be by the Christian music group, Chapter VII. Tickets may be obtained until March 11 by calling Bob Franklin at 243-5865. Donation for the breakfast is \$8.00 with checks payable to the Y's Men's/Women's Club. No tickets will be sold at the door.
- April 1** - 9:30 a.m.—The Easter Musical
- April 5** Maundy Thursday
- 7:00 p.m.—The Service of Feet Washing
- 7:30 p.m.—The Service of Communion
- April 7** -1:00 p.m.—Save the date for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. The event will be held rain or shine. We are looking for donations of small, individually-wrapped candies to use for filling the eggs. We can also use small individually packaged crackers and cookies to use for the

younger children. There is a box under the coat rack for donations. Thank you for your help in making our East egg hunt a success.

April 15 - 9:30 a.m.—We will observe our annual Missionary Ingathering Service

MISSION MOMENT—Pray for the Kenya churches seeking to bring comfort and love to a group of orphans in the Embu area. Pray for God to guard the hearts and minds of these little ones as they struggle with life bereft of parents.

WE EXTEND SYMPATHY to the family and friends of Mr. Bryan Floyd Ensminger, Jr., who went Home to be with His Lord on Tuesday, February 28, 2012. We offer special condolences to his mother, Mrs. Nellie Ensminger, who faithfully attended Carlisle First until becoming a resident at Todd Home, 1000 West South Street, Carlisle, PA 17013.

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.

BEGINNING IN APRIL, there will be a time of prayer in the Sanctuary. It will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Monday evenings and will run through October. More information to come in the next few weeks.

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.

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.

MRS. HELEN SHELLEHAMER will be celebrating her birthday on Thursday, March 8. If you would like to send her a card, the address is Cumberland Crossings, 1 Longsdorf Way, Carlisle, PA 17015.

MRS. FAYE HENRY will be celebrating her birthday next Sunday, March 11. If you would like to send her a card, the address is Claremont Nursing and Rehab Center, 1000 Claremont Road, Carlisle, PA 17013.

MARCH 11 INFORMATION

Greeters:	Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Long	
Muggers:	Col. and Mrs. Terry Mitchell	
Nursery:	Mrs. Catheryn Britcher	
Head Usher:	Mr. Wally Walters	
Ushers:	*Mr. Jim Heinbaugh	Mr. Joel Black
	Mr. Alvin Miller	Mr. Gary Prosser

FEBRUARY 26, 2012 REPORT

Attendance

Worship	290
Nursery	8
Sunday School	90

Wednesday Night

Bible Study	43
BLAST	40

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. 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.**