

**CARLISLE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD**

**705 Glendale Street  
Carlisle, PA 17013**

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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 Words of Welcome

The Prelude

\*The Call to Worship

Pastor: If we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God.

**People: And the dead in Christ will rise first and we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them to meet the Lord in the air.**

Pastor: And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

**Unison: Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning!**  
(I Thessalonians 4:14-18; Psalm 30:4, 5)

\*The Invocation

\*The Gloria Patri #813

\*The Hymn "All Glory, Laud and Honor" #300

The Welcome and Announcements

\*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 Easter Cantata **This We Believe**

*Christ died...Christ arose... Christ will come again...in the Musical, This We Believe, Tom Fettke has*

used these statements of faith as embodied in different creeds, like the Apostle's Creed or the Nicene Creed, and married them with the Easter message to create not just an Easter cantata, but a celebration of faith. It allows us all as believers to join in the story of proclamation of the beliefs that tie Christians together and bind us as one body. It is a story, a true story that invites even the coldest and most hardened of hearts to become part of the celebration found only in Christ. It is our story...it is our song!

Therefore, the purpose of the cantata is to tell the greatest Story ever told in a manner that engages and builds us up together as choir and congregation so that we might go forth to "tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love" in a vibrant way during the Easter Season and beyond.

1. **This We Believe** (Opening)  
Overture—He is Lord  
Jesus is Lord  
Because We Believe
2. **Christ Died**  
One Day  
Enter Paradise      Solo: Alan Mathna
3. **Christ Arose**  
Resurrection Celebration
4. **Through A Mother's Eyes**  
She Cries      Solo: Julie Gross
5. **Christ Will come Again**  
Lord We Wait  
Midnight Cry      Solo: Elizabeth Kuhn

\*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 (color of your choice) to take home. Also we have information and maps about our church. The "muggers" at the Visitors' Center can answer your questions. Thanks 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 the Gobin Family in honor of son Bradley's 16th birthday April 25.

### **TODAY IN OUR CHURCH**

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Lee (Lily) Deihl  
Nursery: Mrs. Cathryn Britcher  
Muggers: Mr. and Mrs. Bob (Jean) Ilgenfritz  
Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters  
Ushers: \*Mr. Ray Kunkel      Mr. Joel Black  
          Mr. Rick Thomas      Mr. Marlin Negley  
Narrators: Mrs. Elizabeth Kuhn      Mr. Todd Bittinger

- 9:30 a.m.** - **Worship with Easter Cantata**  
- **Junior Church** children and staff will be joining in the Sanctuary for the presentation of the Easter Cantata.  
- **Nursery**

- 10:40 a.m.** - **Sunday School hour**  
- Nursery  
- Rotation for children age 4—Grade 6  
- Youth and Adult classes

**4-6 p.m. -Volleyball Youth Group**

**6:00 p.m. - Senior High EDGE**

**THIS WEEK—April 17— 23**

**Tuesday** - 6:00 p.m.—Relay for Life working meeting

**Wednesday** - 6:00 p.m.—Jr. Hi. EDGE  
- 6:30 p.m.—BLAST egg coloring  
—NO Adult Bible Study

**Thursday** - 7:00 p.m.—We will observe the Ordinance of Feetwashing, meeting in the Sanctuary. Pastor Greg will conduct the service.  
- 7:30 p.m.—We will observe the Lord's Supper

**Saturday** - 1:00 p.m.—Easter egg hunt

**NEXT SUNDAY—April 24, 2011**

- 9:30 a.m.—Worship Service  
—Junior Church children 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 for children age 4—Grade 6
  - Youth and Adult classes

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**April 30** - 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.(?)—Car Wash to benefit the church's Relay for Life team. If anyone desires to help, you are most welcome. For more details, contact Becky Barclay at 701-1724.

- 6:00 p.m.—**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**—Reserve this day and time for the Mother/Daughter banquet to be held in our gymnasium. The event is just around the corner. Rest assured a delectable meal will be served once again. Cost for tickets will be as follows: \$7.00/adult, ages 6-12 \$4.00 and ages 5 and under free. Bring your mother, daughter, sister, aunt, niece or a friend. All ages, from 5 to 95 will enjoy the fun entertainment we have planned for you this year! Make your reservation by seeing one of the ladies posted in the Narthex after morning worship on April 10, 17, or 24th.

**May 1** - 9:30 a.m.—Thank Offering Sunday

- 3:15 p.m.—District Mission Celebration at the Chambersburg First Church of God. Pastor Don Dennison (Director of Churches of God General Conference Cross Cultural Ministries) will be our featured speaker. As part of his presentation he will interview John and Toni Thumma, pastor of our Hooghan Nizhoni and Gamerco Churches. Pastor Dennison will also interview Andy and Theresa Snyder missionaries to Haiti and update us on General Conference Missions. The Project Goal for Missions is \$45,000.00 to be divided between (1) Church Planting in the Eastern Regional Conference, (2) the chapel renovation at our Church of God Home (the last major renovation was 21 years ago), and (3) the support of Andy and Theresa Snyder (and family), missionaries to Haiti. Also, any local church's Mission Team who has a display at the rally regarding involvement in a mission project since the 2010 Mission Celebration will receive \$500.00 towards their next mission team event.

**May 12** - 12 noon—The Jolly Olde Timers will meet. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the food along with some good entertainment which will be a travelogue of five European countries. (Holland, Germany, Slovakia, Austria and Hungary) while cruising three rivers. You won't want to miss this.

**May 22** - 9:30 a.m.—Youth Sunday

**MISSION MOMENT**—Remember the outreach of our local food bank Project SHARE as they provide nourishment to families who might not be able to afford nutritious food without their help. Pray that God would use our “Cans of peas” and other churches’ provisions to remind people of His love shown through the love of His children.

**DONATIONS ARE NEEDED** of small candies, individual bags of goldfish or Teddy Grahams for the egg hunt. There will be a collection box in the lobby by the coat rack.

**MEALS ON WHEELS** is in need of several persons to deliver meals in Carlisle. If you would like to volunteer one hour per week between the hours of 10:45 to 11:45 a.m., please call Ruth Fields at 243-0707 after 1:00 p.m.

**DON'T MISS THE BLESSING!** A CD recording of all Morning Worship Services is available. If you missed a service or desire a recording of today's service, please give your request to Chris Campbell at the Sound Control Desk in the rear of the sanctuary.

**SPRING CLEANING** —If you come across gently used blankets/sweatshirts which you no longer use, please remember our upcoming collection for the Fruitbelt Farmworkers. Beginning in June, a receptacle will be placed in the Narthex for your donations.

**THANK YOU MESSAGES:**

**Janet and Dale Noggle**—We would like to thank our church family for the cards and prayers we received in the death of my sister, Jean Toms. Also thanks to Rev. Mathna for the support and the visit.

**Bev and Brad Barger**—Thank you to the church family for all the prayers and words of concern for my son David Waggoner in Maryland. A year ago, April 7th, David shot himself in the head. He had a 3% chance to live. Today he is doing everything. They want to get him a job this summer and this fall he should be living on his own. God has answered our prayers. I believe there is still more for David to do in this life. David turned 29 on the 14th of April. Thank you and God bless.

**APRIL 24 INFORMATION**

Greeters: Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Rowett  
Nursery Mrs. Julie Barrick  
Muggers: Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bennett  
Head Usher: Mr. Wally Walters  
                  \*Mr. Bryan Dellinger      Mr. Art Bittinger  
                  Mr. Alan McConnell      Mr. John Gross

**APRIL 10 REPORT**

Attendance  
Worship                   215  
Sunday School           83  
Nursery                   4  
Junior Church           25

Bulletin information should be provided to Nancy Rea by 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday by telephone 258-3363 or e-mail nancycog@yahoo.com