

CARLISLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)

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Worship @ 10:30 a.m.
Kristin Pike, Pastor

OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

We are a movement of more than 3,000 congregations in the United States and Canada, committed to sharing the limitless love of God throughout the world. We worship in over 17 languages, in a variety of styles and settings. We are related to 15 colleges and universities and 7 seminaries and divinity houses where new leaders are nurtured. Our 31 regions, 14 general ministries, and ministry partners throughout the world make it possible for us to love and serve our neighbors from

Lord, give us the ability to speak not in languages of hate or greed, complacency or discontent, but in love and peace, mercy and kindness; in generosity and benevolence, in humility and patience, and in truthful words of encouragement. Amen

WHAT'S HAPPENIN'



Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 The Chosen Season 5 Showing in the sanctuary. A light meal and great conversation taking place. Come here Jesus' words come to life!



Oct 7, 14, 21 Pastor Kristin leads a Bible Study on Revelation. She brings a clearer understanding of the Book! It's not so scary! Come to the Carlisle Christian Church at 10:00a and/or to the Community United Presbyterian Church at 6:30p.



Oct 3 8a-4p FREE clothing giveaway; mostly fall/winter and a variety of sizes. Beef-burgers and trimmings will be offered. Oct 4 8a-1p Giveaway resumes. Breakfast burritos will be offered. Meals provided as free will for the "Lift" project.



Bring a friend or two and a snack (or not) and join the fellowship, laughter, and fun playing a variety of games; UNO, cribbage, spades, mahjong, puzzles, and more. Oct 6 6-8p



You will want to attend the Congregational Meeting Oct 5 immediately following the worship service. You will be able to catch up to date on happenings of the church, lend your voice, and VOTE on those who will be leading your church in 2026. A **copy of the Bylaws** may be **picked up** in the coat room. They will also be on the **church's website**. Let Pastor Kristin or a Board member know or phone the office if you prefer, they be emailed to you.



Giver's Nite: Our 4th annual 'Giver's Nite' is October 31st. Any donations are appreciated in order to provide trick-or-treaters with special gift bags, popcorn, and fall drinks as they come to the church. (To contribute, please put Giver's Nite in the memo line or specify on the envelope.) Any questions may be directed to Emily Nordyke, 515-864-1133. We will be handing out goodies, drinks, and providing restrooms for those out and about.

REGIONAL NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN THE UPPER MIDWEST

2025 Reconciliation Ministry - Special Offering

BEYOND



Beyond Brokenness - Building Beloved Community

Sunday, September 28th - Sunday, October 5th



For more than 40 years, Disciples have had a visible ministry to address racism in society. Gifts to [Reconciliation Ministry](#), through its Offering or throughout the year, support programs and initiatives aimed at dismantling racism.

Regional Gathering 2025

Join with Disciples from across the region on **Saturday, Oct. 18**, as we explore what it means to listen for God.



The annual Pumpkin Festival in Carlisle is Saturday, October 25th. The Farmer's Market will relocate to the downtown city parking lot. There will be lots of trunks full of treats, activities for children, food, and a craft show in the Community Building. Pray for wonderful weather and lots of fun and fellowship!



Empowering people to save starving children

4,000 volunteers are needed to help package 2 million meals Oct 7-11. Call the church office by Oct 6 if you would like to help and we'll car pool one day. WDM Packaging Center, 357 Lincoln St.



Sounds like fun, don't you think! Let Judy Watkins or Nancy Cumberland know if you'd like to car pool. Or call the church office and we will let them know.

CARLISLE COMMUNITY BUILDING EVENTS

A meal is served M-F at 11:00 a.m. (You may also request the meal be delivered to you.) 515-989-4367 for more details. If the Carlisle Community School District is closed due to weather, no meals will be delivered.

Most days activities begin around 10:00 a.m. and sometimes sooner:

Mondays: Variety; cards, games, exercise
Tuesdays: Band starts between 9-9:30 a.m. --- cards/games after lunch
Wednesdays: Bingo 10-11:00 a.m.
Thursdays and Fridays: cards and games

THE MEAL SITE IS DESPERATELY NEEDING VOLUNTEER DRIVERS! PLEASE PASS THE WORD! Only takes an hour a day to help others. Reach out to Mary at 515-989-4367. THANK YOU!

ONGOING COMMUNITY EVENTS

***Free Breakfast: Middle River Friends Church
1st Saturday each month
8:00-9:30 a.m.***

Carlisle Area Historical Society Breakfast
Randleman House Adults \$10
***2nd Saturday each month
8:00 -10:00 a.m.***

***Free Breakfast: Masonic Lodge, Hartford
3rd Saturday each month
7:00-10:00 a.m.***

ONGOING FOOD PANTRIES

Middle River Friends Church, 4057 S 23 Hwy
Mon & Wed 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1100 Market St
2nd & 4th Tues, 4-5:30 p.m.

School Food Pantry, 430 School St.
1st & 3rd Thurs, 4-5:30 p.m.

CCA Blessing Box, Carlisle Christian Church
305 Market St., North side of bldg
***Open 24/7 (DONATIONS ALWAYS ACCEPTED.
OR come help yourself also.)***

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

The Middle River Friends Church is needing **volunteers on Mondays and Wednesdays Noon to 2:30** to help with the food pantry. Please contact Cathie Zeliadt at 515-975-3815 if you are interested in helping. **THANK YOU!**

The Carlisle Care Center is needing **volunteers to come and read to the residents; or to do crafts** with them. They are also looking for any men who are handy to come **build some things** with our gentlemen. If interested, please call the facility and ask for Missi Reiland or Jennie. 515-989-0871 **THANK YOU!**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE STANDING EVENTS AT YOUR CHURCH!

(Should circumstances change for any of these events, every effort will be made to let you know via calls, website, Facebook.)



Game night is every **first Saturday** of the month. Spread the word for this community-wide event. **See you October 4th 6-8:00 pm.** Cribbage, Mahjong, puzzles, and more.

JESUS

Every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. join others in watching The Chosen Season 5: Last Supper. The people of Israel welcome Jesus as king while his disciples anticipate his crowning. The country's religious and political leaders will go to any length to ensure this Passover meal is Jesus' last.



Everyone is welcome to gather after the worship service on the **first Sunday** of each month to dig deeper into the sermon and to ask ANY question of the Pastor.



You are welcome to join us on the **second Sunday** of each month as we worship/sing with the residents of the **Carlisle Care Center at 1:00 p.m.** Delightful time with lots of smiles!



Pastor Kristin is leading a Bible Study on **Tuesdays** at two different times and locations. The Carlisle Christian Church study will be held at 10:00 a.m. The Community United Presbyterian Church in Hartford study will be held at 6:30 p.m. Revelation isn't so scary. Come grow your faith!



Every **third Sunday** of each month we share a potluck lunch. The church provides the main course and YOU supply the trimmings! Invite your family and friends!

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Brian Brown 10/3
Patsy Overton 10/4
Jason Graham 10/5

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Don and Gerry Baker 10/10
Josh and Hannelore Hinrichs
10/21

Heal me, change me, strengthen me in body, soul, and spirit. Come Lord Jesus, cover me with your Precious Blood, and fill me with your Holy Spirit. I love you Lord Jesus. I praise you Jesus. Amen

Our friends in Care Centers:

Gordy Kain Joe Lang Patsy Overton

Friends & family members:

Cathie Berg Rodger Rothfus
Randy Skoglund (Sandee Zirkelbach's brother)
Mike Lynch (Linda Lemley's oldest son)

REMEMBERING MILITARY PERSONNEL

Justin Miller (Okinawa) Tara Wesner (IN) Josh Wesner (IN)

Helpful scripture references:

Romans 8:38-39

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, (39) Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Philippians 4:6-7
Romans 8:26

Matthew 21:22
Isaiah 41:10

Mark 11:24
Psalm 91

James 5:16
Matthew 6:6-13

...And the list goes on....

A Prayer Group has been formed with the focus of being more intentional with praying to our Heavenly Father and providing comfort and care to our church family. 1. A few minutes before the worship service begins anyone who would like to participate gathers around the communion table and prays for Pastor Kristin and the worship experience. 2. A 'Praying Disciples' form is in the coat room if you would like to sign up to receive text messages of others needing prayer. 3. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Group, please join them on the last Sunday of the month at 4:00p in the West room. 4. If you have a prayer request, please call the church office or let the pastor, an elder, or deacon know. Please also check the calendar for other Bible Study opportunities.

THANK YOU!

This is to thank all of you for remembering Phyllis and myself on the day of potluck. There are some mighty fine cooks in the congregation!
God Bless,
Pat R.

NEWS FOR YOU

BRIEFLY FROM THE BOARD: Kayla Price, Board Secretary

August monthly offering \$5,484.00, August monthly expenses \$10,786.71, August monthly budget amount \$7,458.33. Ashley Carmin Performing Arts Scholarships were awarded to two Carlisle High School students for the fall semester. Going forward, there will be two church representatives counting offering each Sunday. Emma Bingham has added a new QR code to our church website. Communication Committee will meet on Monday 9-22-25. Brief discussion regarding church cleaning. Cleaning day has been scheduled for Saturday, November 8th if you are available to assist! By-law changes reviewed and will be presented at the 2025 Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 5, 2025 to be voted on by the congregation members. You may get a copy in advance at the church to review before the meeting. Our "Lift Project" funding is now over \$47,000. The board will make a recommendation at the Congregational Meeting to proceed with the lift only at this time as we do not have the funds at this point to proceed with east door and outside ramp, which may take a bit longer to fund. The proposed 2026 Annual Budget was approved by the board, pending the approval of congregation members at the October 5, 2025 meeting. The Nominating Committee submitted 2026 slate of officers to also be approved at the Congregational Meeting on October 5, 2025. Sunday School, Tuesday Bible Study and Wednesday Bible Study (The Chosen) have all started again. Middle River Friends Food Pantry will be the recipient of our September mission donation. Please plan to attend the 2025 Annual Congregational Meeting directly after church on Sunday, October 5, 2025!

WORSHIP, Judy Watkins, Chair

1. Reconciliation Special Offering is October 5th.
2. World Communion Sunday is October 5th.
3. All Saints Day Sunday is November 2nd.
4. Veterans Day Sunday is November 9th.
5. The Hanging of the Greens is November 23rd.
6. The First Sunday of Advent is November 30th.
7. Blue Christmas Service is on Wednesday, December 17th.
8. Christmas Eve service is on Wednesday December 24th.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend and participate in these special services. Also, please don't forget to sign up to be a scripture reader for our Sunday services!

FINANCE, Cheree Miller, Chair

The tally for the lift is now over \$47,000. The lift itself costs a little over \$38,000. The lift will be ordered soon, and the vendor will store it for us until we have collected enough money to cover the cost of other materials, labor, etc. required to complete the installation of the lift. Construction will not begin until after the first of the new year. Please continue to pray over this project.

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| August Offering: \$5,484.00 August Actual Expense: \$10,786.71 Shortage: \$5,302.71 |
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CWF Judy Watkins, President

The Terrestrial Globe Collection Bank is located in the south entryway of the church building. The money collected will be used towards camp tuition and other missions and needs for our church. Some people may remember this bank as the birthday offering bank collected during Sunday School in years past. Please write "CWF Bank" in the Memo line of your check if you are donating in that manner. THANK YOU!

October 2025

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| | | | The Chosen, Season 5 5:30 p.m. | | FREE Clothing Give-away 8a-4p Beefburgers 11a-1p | FREE Clothing Give-away 8a-1p Burritos 8-10a Palmyra Soup Supper 5-7:30p Game Night 6-8:00 p.m. |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Hartford Fire Department Pulled Pork Luncheon 11a-2p | Worship & Community Life @ 5:30p | Bible Study at CCC @ 10:00 a.m. CUPC @ 6:30 p.m. Meals from the Heartland Hunger Fight | The Chosen Season 5 5:30 p.m. Meals from the Heartland Hunger Fight Bulletin Items due | Meals from the Heartland Hunger Fight | Meals from the Heartland Hunger Fight | Middle River Food Pantry Fundraiser Appreciation Dinner 7-9p Meals from the Heartland Hunger Fight |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| Clergy Appreciation Day Carlisle Care Center @ 1:00 p.m. | Finance, Property, Evangelism @ 5:30 p.m. | Bible Study at CCC @ 10:00 a.m. CUPC @ 6:30 p.m. | The Chosen Season 5 5:30 p.m. Bulletin Items due Board Items due | | | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| Potluck | Board Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. | Bible Study at CCC @ 10:00 a.m. CUPC @ 6:30 p.m. | The Chosen Season 5 5:30 p.m. Bulletin Items due | | Vendor Fair at Christian Conference Center 4-7p Newsletter Items due | Vendor Fair at Christian Conference Center 10a-2p Downtown Pumpkin Fest 1-3p |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |
| Pastor Kristin out of the office Prayer Group @ 4p | | | The Chosen Season 5 5:30 p.m. | | CCC Givers' Night | |

And Moses said, “Here I am.”
And God said, “I will be with you.”
Exodus 3:4-12

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