Carolyn Cannizzaro

Carolyn Cannizzaro is a proud wife, mother, and grandmother. She lives with her husband, Andy, on a farm in southwest Pennsylvania. Carolyn didn't always live on a farm. No, she came from the metropolis of San Diego, CA where she grew up, served in her community, and taught elementary school for twenty-three years. Why would a California city girl move to Fayette County, Pennsylvania? The answer is TRUE LOVE. More than that, it was the Holy Spirit directing her life! It is truly a "Green Acres" kind of story demonstrating the sense of humor and playfulness of our Lord.

Carolyn has experienced many trials in life including marital strife, the loss of both parents and the tragic loss of her first husband and eldest daughter. Through these many difficulties she surrendered and found her trust and joy in the Lord. He is continually directing Carolyn's life. What next, Lord?

Carolyn received her Bachelor of Liberal Arts Degree and Teacher Certification in 1983 from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, CA. and in her profession served as a teacher and literacy coach. In 2007, she earned her Master of Administration in Education from Concordia University in Irvine, CA. In 2015, Carolyn received her Pastoral Ministry Certification from Seton Hill University in Pennsylvania. Carolyn is currently the Chairwoman for the 2022 Diocese of Greensburg `Spirited" Women's Conference and the Director of Prolife Advocacy for the Diocese of Greensburg. Carolyn also serves as a Catechist, Worship Leader, Cantor, and Eucharistic Minister to the sick and homebound in her home Parish of The Church of St. Anne in Rostraver, PA. She leads a women's ministry out of her home called *"I AM"*

Women's Fellowship and especially loves singing God's praises as a member of the **Living Praise Worship Team** with outreach to Magnificat Events, Retreats, and Life in the Spirit Seminars (<u>livingpraiseworship.com</u>).

If Carolyn could give you one pearl of wisdom it would be Proverbs 3:5-6, "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths."