



# Good News from Chardon

February 11, 2018

**Church of Christ**  
**128 Maple Ave.**  
**Chardon, OH 44024**  
**440-286-5505**

## Schedule of Services:

**Greeting:** Mark

**Song Leader:** Dale

**Opening Song:** 59—

Holy, Holy, Holy

**Opening Prayer:** Ray

**Hymn:** 111—Yield

Not To Temptation

**Scripture Reading:**

Tom

Isaiah 1:16-20

**Hymn:** 301—He

Loved Me So!

**Lord's Supper:**

Mark & Larry

**Hymn:** 90—Into Our

Hands

**Sermon:** Mark

**Invitation Hymn:**

614—Who At My

Door Is Standing

**Closing Hymn:** 561—

It Is Well With My

Soul

**Closing Prayer:**

Myron



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## Not Too Bad

By Donna Richmond Wittlif

"Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isaiah 1:18).

If we read II Kings chapter 21, we learn what kind of person King Manasseh of Judah was. He did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord. He built up the high places, he reared up altars to Baal, he made an Asherah (female counterpart to Baal), and he worshiped all the host of heaven and served them. Furthermore, he built altars to false gods in the house of the Lord, and he made his son to pass through the fire and practiced sorcery. God says he seduced the Israelites to sin more than all the foreign nations that God had destroyed.

After reading about how wicked Manasseh was, one might think that surely there is no place in heaven for this king. But as Paul Harvey used to say, we need to know "the rest of the story." We can read the end of Manasseh's story in II Chronicles 33. Verse 11 tells us that Manasseh and the people would not repent, so God sent the king of Assyria, who bound Manasseh in chains and took him to Babylon.

What did Manasseh do? He humbled himself before God and prayed to Him. God heard his supplication and brought him again to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem, Manasseh tore down all the altars to idols and built up the altar of the Lord, where he offered sacrifices to God. He truly repented and turned back to God.

When we sin, we may think we are too bad for God to forgive. However, it is just not so. John reminds us in I John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." God is always looking for His people to come back to Him, and He is more than willing to forgive us.

Donna Richmond Wittlif, the founder and first editor of BulletinGold

## Changing Tastes

By Steve Higginbotham

Have you ever heard anyone complain about airline food? I'm sure many of you have, but the airlines aren't necessarily to blame. Did you know that our tastes change depending upon our altitude? That's right. Food that you may enjoy eating in your favorite restaurant, if served on an airplane at 35,000 feet would not taste the same. This is due to a decreased sense of smell and a reduction in taste bud sensitivity humans experience at that altitude.

When I learned this truth, I couldn't help but reflect upon how the same thing happens to us within the spiritual realm. When we embark on a quest to be more and more like Jesus, we sometimes find ourselves in "thin air." As we pursue godliness, we'll find ourselves reaching new heights of spiritual maturity, and consequently, we will no longer have a "taste" for many of the things we once found enjoyable. The nearer we are to God, the things of earth will have less and less appeal.

My prayer is that we will all reach spiritual heights that will cause our "tastes" to change.

Steve Higginbotham preaches for the  
Karns Church of Christ in Knoxville, TN.

## PRAYER LIST

\*Juanita has been sick with congestions and cold-like symptoms.

\*Rebecca is still in West Virginia. Her father is in the hospital having various tests and procedures.

\*Pat and Ron were able to be with us last week.

\*Dale, his mother and his cousin Jayna and her family.

\*Tom & Nina's son-in-law, Chris, is looking for work.

\*Juanita, her sons, Dale and Ron and her daughter Debbie.

\*Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.

\*Ruth and her brother George.

\*Our Congregation

\*Our Nation & Our Veterans.

## CALENDAR

Feb. 11—Bible Study 10 am, Dale

Feb. 11—Worship 11 am & 6 pm  
Speaker: Mark

Feb. 11—Potluck Luncheon

Feb. 17—a. David & Dorene

Feb. 18—Bible Study 10 am, Dale

Feb. 18—Worship 11 am & 6 pm  
Speaker: Mark

Feb. 25—Bible Study 10 am, Dale

Feb. 25—Worship 11 am & 6 pm  
Speaker: Mark

Feb. 27—a. Ray & Barbara

Mar. 4—Bible Study 10 am, Dale

Mar. 4—Worship 11 am & 6 pm  
Speaker: Mark

Mar. 4—Business Meeting

Answer to Puzzle  
Though your sins are like scarlet,  
They shall be as white as snow;

# White As Snow

Scripture Reference: Isaiah 1:16-20

AWAY	BEFORE	CEASE	CLEAN
COME	CRIMSON	DEFEND	DEVOURED
DOINGS	EVIL	EYES	FATHERLESS
FROM	GOOD	JUSTICE	LAND
LEARN	LIKE	LORD	MAKE
MOUTH	OBEDIENT	OPPRESSOR	PLEAD
REASON	REBEL	REBUKE	REFUSE
SEEK	SHALL	SPOKEN	SWORD
THEY	THOUGH	TOGETHER	WASH
WIDOW	WILLING	WOOL	YOURSELVES

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A Christian shows what he is by  
what he does with what he has.

SUNDAY: Bible Class — 10:00 am; Worship — 11:00 am; Evening — 6:00 pm

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