



Dec. 16 2018

Church of Christ
128 Maple Ave.
Chardon, OH 44024
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Schedule of Services:

Greeting: Tom
Song Leader: Mark
Opening Hymn:
11—Praise Him, Praise Him

Opening Prayer:
Myron

Hymn:
408—The Unclouded Day

Scripture Reading:
Gary

John 12:44-50

Hymn:
310—Gethsemane

Lord's Supper:
Ray & Dale

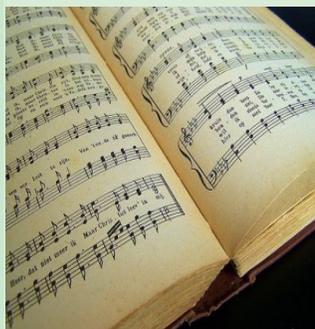
Hymn:
584—In My Heart
There Rings A Melody

Sermon: Tom

Invitation Hymn:
603—Jesus I Come

Closing Hymn:
406—Grant Me Rest
and Peace

Closing Prayer:
Larry



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Letting Jesus Into My Heart

by: **Bill Brandstatter**

I was at a local gas station recently. I noticed the cashier talking to a man. While I was pumping gas they were engaged in conversation. When I went to pay for the gas, the cashier announced to me, "I just let Jesus into my heart." Of course, what she was implying was that she was saved. No doubt the man talking to her was talking about Christ.

The message this woman received is the type of message many today feel will save. The message about the good news of Jesus, accompanied by a quick confession, repentance, and maybe a sinner's prayer is all that it takes, according to some.

However, accepting Jesus involves more than just an emotional experience. I fully realize that a person can hear a gospel message for the first time and obey it. That is what happened on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2. The Ethiopian eunuch did that in Acts 8. Lydia, and the jailer also heard the gospel message for the first time in Acts 16. Also, individuals in Ephesus did in Acts 19. In all of these cases, these individuals were baptized for the remission of sins. The Bible never records an incident where an individual heard the gospel, was convicted in their heart, and then was saved without being baptized.

The Bible also teaches that faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God (Romans 10:17). If any one speaks he should speak as God directs (1 Peter 4:11). A message about the gospel that does not include baptism is not a message that will save. We must be willing to talk to our friends and religious neighbors about what the Bible says and does not say. The ultimate authority in all religious matters is the Bible. What Jesus said will judge us in the last day (John 12:48). Letting Jesus into my heart according to the Bible would mean obeying Christ and putting Him on in baptism. Anything else will not save.

Bill Brandstatter worships with the church of Christ in Vienna, IL

PRAYER LIST

*Mark's wife, Debbie, is recovering surgery to remove skin cancer.

*Juanita's daughter Debbie is home from the hospital and her son Ron is on dialysis.

*Pat is feeling some better.

*Dale's friend Zarna's father has health issues and pray for Zarna as well while she reads the Bible. Pray that she is receptive to the gospel.

*Larry is having back pain.

*Gary and Cindy's daughter, Lisa Marie, has a scope scheduled this week..

*Dale, his friend Jimmy, his mother and his cousin Jayna and her family.

*Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.

*Our congregation

CALENDAR

Dec. 16—Bible Study 10 am
Mark

Dec. 16—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Tom

Dec. 23—Bible Study 10 am
Mark

Dec. 30—Bible Study 10 am
Mark

Dec. 30—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Tom

Jan. 2—b. Carl

Jan. 6—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Tom

Jan. 6—Bible Study 10 am

Answer to Puzzle I have come as a light
into the world

Walk in the Light

Scripture Reference: John 12:44-50

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| ABIDE | ANYONE | AUTHORITY | BELIEVE |
| COMMAND | CRIED | DARKNESS | EVERLASTING |
| FATHER | HEARS | JESUS | JUDGES |
| LIGHT | RECEIVE | REJECTS | SHOULD |
| SPEAK | SPOKEN | THEREFORE | WHATEVER |
| WHICH | WHOEVER | WORDS | WORLD |

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Hidden Message: _____

If you go against the grain of God's law, expect splinters

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

Wednesday Evening — Postponed until Spring

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