

Welcome

The Chardon church of Christ welcomes you to every service and to a full investigation of what we teach, in the light of the Scriptures. At Chardon we read from the King James Version of the Bible.

The church of Christ occupies a unique place in the religious world. It is no part of Judaism, Catholicism, or Protestant Denominationalism. It is as distinct from these religions as they are from each other. Its plea for a return to the Bible has made it appealing to those who long for spirituality and simplicity of the church as revealed in the Bible.

We preach the same gospel and teach the same plan of salvation based upon the grace of God as taught by the apostles. Rom. 1:16.

This plan includes: **Faith** in Christ; Mk.16:16; **Repentance** of sins; Acts 2:38; **Confession** of faith in Christ; Matt. 10:32; **Baptism**; (This baptism is a burial in water of a penitent believer to wash away his sins.) Eph. 4:5.

Our worship is according to the New Testament pattern. Jn. 4:23-24. Services consist of: **Singing** without the

use of man-made instruments of music; Eph. 5:19; **Praying** to God; Acts 2:42. Observing the **Lord's Supper** each first day of the week; Acts 20:7; **Giving** by members of the congregation; I Cor. 16:1-2; **Teaching** of God's Word; Acts 2:42.

Calendar

- Aug. 21—Bible Study 10 am
Gal.
Aug. 21—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Mark am; Ray pm
Aug. 22—b. Carole
Aug. 24—Bible Study 7 pm
Zephaniah 1:
Aug. 28—Bible Study 10 am
Aug. 28—Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Speaker: Mark am; Ray pm
Aug. 31—Bible Study 7 pm
Sept. 1—b. Juanita
Sept. 2—b. Nina
Sept. 4—b. Austin

Answer to the Puzzle:

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God

It seems that every family tree has some sap in it.

Church of Christ

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Chardon, Ohio 44024
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Chardonchurchofchrist.org

Schedule of Services:

Worship Services
Sunday: 11:00 a.m.
and 6:00 p.m.

Bible Study
Sunday: 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

Chardon Church of Christ

Church Bulletin

Sunday

August 21, 2016

Just a Bunch of Hypocrites

How many times have you heard someone say that? How many times have you thought it yourself? I am going to share a huge secret with you, "Christians are not perfect"! I know that is not a shock to some of you but for others it is the most controversial thing you could say. How dare you contend that Christians are not perfect? I can say that because I am a Christian, because I know a lot of other Christians, and because the Bible says so (Rom. 3:23).

You see Christians still sin and when they do, they hurt themselves, they hurt others, and just as importantly they hurt God. The church is definitely the place to go if you want to find people struggling with sins.

The Christian having sin in their life does not make them a hypocrite. The word "hypocrite" comes from a Greek word meaning "a play actor" or "someone who is pretending to be something they are not." I am sure there are some Christians who want you to think they are sinless and I am sure there are some who strive to convince you of their holiness and purity. Truthfully, there is a reason why Jesus called some people "whitewashed tombs" full of all kinds of filth (Matthew 23:27-28). They were more concerned about what people thought of them than what God thought of them and that has not changed much. Yet, having sin in your life does not make you a hypocrite, it makes you human and in need of a Savior.

I think there are primarily two reasons why unbelievers usually hurl that accusation at Christians. First, although they don't know much about God, Jesus, or the church; they know enough to expect that Christians will be different from them. They expect us to be somewhat Christ-like, somewhat loving, and somewhat understanding of others failures. What they usually get is anything but loving, caring, or understanding. Most scary is what they get is anything but Christ-like. Secondly, they have been in contact with some Christian/Christians in the past and they made them feel inferior. Like they were somehow less human because they were sinners when the Christian who made them feel like that was no better than them. They walked away from their encounter feeling worse about themselves and about the church.

Church, you cannot control how someone feels about Christians or the church but you can work hard to ensure that they don't feel that way about you. Jesus was a man who made people feel comfortable. People felt like they could talk to Him and He was a person they thought they could spend time with. He was a person that others could enjoy a meal with (Luke 5:29-30; 7:34, 36). So they invited Him and He went. He surrounded Himself with sinners and those in need and they felt well about it. He didn't cause people to run in the other direction when they saw Him walking toward them.

Church, let's make sure that when unbelievers encounter us it is a beneficial and meaningful encounter. Let's make sure they see Christ living in us instead of our sins shining brightly. We cannot be perfect but we can make sure that they walk away with a good view of the church and Christianity.

Jeff Arnette preaches for the
Central Haywood church of Christ, Clyde, NC

Worship Services for August 21, 2016

Greeting	Mark
Song Leader	Mark
Hymn	The Love of God—267
Opening Prayer (Please Stand)	Dale
Hymn	Sweet By and By—399
Scripture Reading (Romans 3:21-26)	Ryan
Hymn	In Remembrance—295
Lord's Supper	Tom & Robert
Hymn	Will You Not Tell It Today—89
Sermon	Mark
Hymn (Please Stand)	Blessed Are They—595
Hymn	I'll Live On—351
Closing Prayer	Ray

Prayer List

*Aunt Mary's daughter, Geraldine, had heart surgery recently.
 *Ruth is waiting for results from her heart monitor test.

- *Mark's knee is healing well.
- *Juanita's son Ron and daughter Debbie.
- *Dale, his cousin Cartrell, and for his mother and Aunt Mary. His cousin Reginald with back issues.
- *David, Doreen and their family.
- *Nina's friend Audrey (cancer) is waiting for surgery to remove the tumor and Tom's friend Janelle (lung transplant) is no longer on a respirator.
- *Ruth (arthritis), and her brothers George and John.
- *Ron & Pat, their great-grandson Bryan, and Ron brother Gerald.
- *Rebecca, her son Steven, and other members of her family.
- *Our Congregation and Our Nation.
- * Our Veterans and their Families.

Things to Remember

Chardon Website:

Chardonchurchofchrist.org
Business Meeting is held the 1st Sunday of each month following morning worship.

Potluck Luncheon is held the 2nd Sunday of each month following morning worship.

The link to **Gospel Broadcasting Network** is www.gbntv.org.

Church of Christ Radio can be listened to at 880 WRFD.

Information for the bulletin should be sent before Friday of each week. Call Mark or Nina or use e-mail address:

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God's Righteousness Through Faith

Scripture Reference: Romans 3:21-26

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