Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024 April 21, 2024 Issue 16

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark Song Leader: Mark Opening Hymn:

39—Is Thy Heart Right With God?

Opening Prayer: Robert

Hymn:

473—Farther AlongScripture Reading: Ryan
Luke 11:5-13

Hymn:

300—Must Jesus Bear The Cross

Alone?

Lord's Supper: Dale

Hymn:

414—Shall We Gather At The River?

Sermon: Mark Invitation Hymn:

601—Jesus Is Calling, Calling, Calling

Closing Hymn:

163—Near To The Heart Of God

Closing Prayer: Ray

II know that my Redeemer lives, and ever prays for me; I know eternal life He gives, From sin and sorrow free. I know, I know that my Redeemer lives, I know, I know eternal life He gives; I know, I know that my Redeemer lives.

CALENDAR

Apr. 21—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Mark, Business meeting

Apr. 24—Ladies Bible Study 5:30 at Briar Hill

Apr. 27—(b) Sandy

Apr. 27—(a) Tim & Tami

Apr. 28—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom

Apr 30—(b) Breana

May 5—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker, Business Meeting

May 8—(b) Lisa

May 11—(b) Betty

May 12—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am

A Clean House

The unclean spirit when he is gone out of the man, passeth through waterless places, seeking rest, and finding none, he saith, I will turn back unto my house whence I came out. And when he is come, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more evil than himself; and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man becometh worse than the first (Luke 11:24-26, ASV).

"A clean house needs to be occupied." Satan says. As he looks over his prospect, he sees there is an opening, so he slithers to a perching place, hides, then slips right in. As the now occupied house looks over the horizon, not aware of a dual occupant, he thinks his life is where it needs to be. Then he hears this constant reminder, And it came to pass, as he said these things, a certain woman out of the multitude lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the breasts which thou didst suck. But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it (11:27-28). As he hears he replies, "I'm not going very far, I just want to see what is around the corner." As he looks, an interest catches his attention, then he follows it. Before long, he has followed long past the "around the corner." He has wandered far enough away from his starting point he knows not where he's at; he recognizes nothing. He flounders here for a while, that "for a while" turns into then a good while. The floundering didn't seem so bad, but then it turns bad, even worse than bad. What he thought were friendly circumstances he learned had vipers perching behind a façade. He slumps down, then recalls the words of Jesus. And when the multitudes were gathering together unto him, he began to say, This generation is an evil generation: it seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it but the sign of Jonah. For even as Jonah became a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation and shall condemn them; for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and behold, a greater than Solomon is here. The men of Nineveh shall stand up in the judgment with this generation and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, a greater than Jonah is here (11:29-32).

"Am I looking for a sign," he asks himself. If so, what is the sign I'm looking for? How many signs have I seen that I just moved on past?" Then he remembers earlier when he started out, how he thought his life was solid, straightened out, looking good. But as he thought this, he saw something that moved around the corner and he just had to see what that was, so he *(continued on back)*

PRAYER LIST

Mynda as she travels. **Caleb's** upcoming shoulder surgery **Tom & Nina** health issues.

Their son-in-law Chris lost his job

Mark and Debbie as they travel.

Tom's Bible Study with Roberta, Channing, and Kris. Bonnie's health, grandsons Devin, Dakota & Dillon,

Rhonda. As she travels and visits in Arkansas

Wanda's migraines; son Allen, sisters Lorraine & Joyce . Her niece Nikki in bad accident Her niece Lorrie had a heart attack

Mary, Carl and family, they are all doing. better. Keatha, Mary's sister in law.

Kathy's foot healing and upcoming eye surgery

Linda's health and severe back pain

2 1/2 year old baby with terminal cancer.

Zarna and her family

Juanita, is at Briar Hill rehab room 100, and the rest of her family.

Ray and Barbara and their family.

Dale's health issues, headaches and his family. His Mothers medical procedure and sciatic pain. 7 year old girl, Lucie, with Leukemia. Cousin Kenny hernia, Cousin Joshua heart Issues, Cousin Randal physical & mental health Cousin Roosevelt with nerve pain Cousin James in serious truck accident

Ray's health and his family. Rebecca, Steven, and Asher Breathing issues

Pat and her family

Robert & Sara's friend Freeman with cancer, Robert's mother **Debra's** blood pressure.

Brenda's health, and eye surgery recovery her sister Linda with shingles and sister-in-law Linda as they struggle with cancer. Her son Mark surgery recovery, granddaughter Amanda.

Lenise—knee problems.

Larry and Ruth, **she** is at Briar Hill rehab and has a large bed sore

Mike & Debra as they lead Bryce back to Christ.

Betty's friends; Ann with cancer and Ray in rehab.

Miyapur Church of Christ in Hyderabad, South India
Les Cayes Church of Christ in southeast Haiti

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followed it. "Why did I look?" he angrily says to himself – then he remembered: the lamp of the body is the eye. No man, when he hath lighted a lamp, putteth it in a cellar, neither under the bushel, but on the stand, that they which enter in may see the light. The lamp of thy body is thine eye: when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when it is evil, thy body also is full of darkness. Look therefore whether the light that is in thee be not darkness. If therefore thy whole body be full of light, having no part dark, it shall be wholly full of light, as when the lamp with its bright shining doth give thee light (11:33-36).

An "innocent" look turns a clean house into a dirty one.

Ron Thomas preaches for the Church of Christ at Rio Grande in Bidwell, OH



WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

Answer: James 2:18

Luke 11:5-13 5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; 6 For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? 7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. 8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth. 9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. 10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. 11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? 12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? 13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

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