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 mu-

sic; 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

Nov. 20—Bible Study 10 am

Nov. 20—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Larry am; Ray pm

Nov. 22—b. Ray S.

Nov. 23—Bible Study 7 pm

Nov. 24—Thanksgiving

Nov. 25—a. Larry & Ruth

Nov. 27—Bible Study 10 am

Nov. 27—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Mark am; Mark pm

Nov. 30—Bible Study 7 pm

Dec. 4—Bible Study 10 am

Dec. 4—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Tom am; Ray pm

Dec. 7—Bible Study 7 pm

Answer to the Puzzle:

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

It is not chance but the choices you make that determines your destiny.

Church of Christ

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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.

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Church Bulletin

Sunday

November 20, 2016

When To Give Thanks

By Clifton Angel

I am a member of the social network Facebook. It was there that I read the rather telling infographic: "November ... the month where people who have complained on Facebook for the past 11 months become thankful for 30 days." The practice that many have of expressing specific thanksgiving each day of the month of November is a good one. It even may incite thanksgiving in others roundabout. However, let's be sure not to become the person that is described in the infographic. Complaints are mostly expressions of ingratitude. And November certainly is not the only time in the year that we should express thanksgiving. So, when should we give thanks?

Paul wrote to Christians in Ephesus telling them that they should be "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 5:20). Every day of our lives affords us a multitude of opportunities for which we should give thanks to God. For, it is He that gives us the day. And it is He that gives us every thing that is truly good. "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning" (James 1:17). I am confident Paul has in mind "every good gift and every perfect gift" when he says to give thanks for "all things."

Furthermore, Paul wrote to the church in Thessalonica, "In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). One dear friend of mine has said, "I am thankful that Paul said 'In every thing give thanks,' and not, 'Give thanks for every thing." His point was that we can be thankful even in times of tragedy, but it is not necessary that we be thankful for the tragedy itself. Very recently, my dad died unexpectedly. This is a tragedy for which I am not thankful. However, in the same day of the loss of my dad, I found things for which to be very thankful. I was (and still am) extremely thankful for the confidence that I have in his conversion to Christ. I was (and still am) truly thankful to have been with him when he died and to not have had to make a 430-mile trip after a tragic call. I was (and still am) abundantly thankful to know that his physical death contained far less suffering than the cancer or other lasting ailment with which I thought he would eventually be diagnosed. I was (and still am) thankful that my dad was doing one of his favorite things when he died—spending time with his only son.

When are we to give thanks? Always and in every thing. Not only in November. Every human being would do well to be more thankful and give thanks more often. When do you give thanks?

Sunday Worship Services, Nov. 20, 2016

| Greetings and Announcements Larry |
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| Song Leader |
| Hymn The Beautiful Garden of Prayer—25 |
| Opening Prayer (Please Stand) |
| Hymn |
| Scripture Reading (Ephesians 5:15-20) Tom |
| Hymn |
| Lord's Supper |
| Hymn |
| Sermon (AM) |
| Invitational Hymn (Please Stand) Is Thy Heart Right With God—39 |
| Hymn |
| Closing Prayer (Please Stand) |

Trayer List

*Pat was not feeling well this past week.

*Ruth's, brother, John's cancer has returned.

- *A memorial service was held for Valerie's mother last Friday.
- *Mark at hom recovering his recent surgery.
- *Rebecca is still in rehab following her kneed surgery.
- *Nina's sister-in-law, Frances, is scheduled to have a cancerous tumor removed this week.
- *Juanita's son Ron and daughter Debbie.
- *Dale, his cousin Cartrell, his mother, his Aunt Mary and his cousin Reginald.
- *David, Doreen and their family.
- *Ruth (arthritis), and her brothers George and John.
- *Ron & Pat, their great-grandson Bryan, and Ron's 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 Broad-casting 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: Church_of_Christ@roadrun ner. com

Walk in Wisdom

Ephesians 5:15-20

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