#### 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.

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 reveled 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 2:42; **Giving** by members of the congregation; I Cor. 16:1-2; **Teaching** of God's Word: Acts 2:42.

# **Calendar**

Sept. 10—Bible Study 10 am—Dale

Sept. 10—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Mark

Sept. 10—Potluck Luncheon

Sept. 11—Area Men's Meeting, Wadsworth

Sept. 13—Bible Study 7 pm—Tom

Sept. 16—b. Susan

Sept. 17—Bible Study 10 am—Dale

Sept. 17—Worship 11 am & 6 pm Speaker: Mark

Sept. 19—b. Ray

Sept. 20—Bible Study 7 pm—Tom

Sept. 24—Bible Study 10 am—Dale

### **Answer to the Puzzle:**

**Hidden Phrase:** I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

"In ordinary life we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich." (Dietrich Bonhoeffer)

# **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.

# Chardon Church of Christ

Church Bulletin

Sunday

September 10, 2017

### **He Shall Direct Your Paths**

#### **By Joe Slater**

Whoever said life is a breeze was wrong! At home, work, school, and yes, even at church, we struggle with complicated issues. Sometimes we wonder which way to turn. How can we resolve life's thorny problems?

Pop psychology says to look within yourself for the answers. Follow your heart! Do whatever you think is right, and it will all work out.

Major problem: God's word says exactly the opposite! "O Lord, I know the way of man is not in himself; it is not in man who walks to direct his own steps" (Jeremiah 10:23). So, according to God's inspired prophet, we are looking in the wrong place when we look within ourselves for direction. Why is that?

God, through Jeremiah, gives us the answer in 17:9 – "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked." Ouch! It hurts me to admit that I am sinful. The world erroneously insists that people are fundamentally good, so we can find the right course by looking inside ourselves. God Himself says our hearts are deceitful and wicked; it is not in us to direct our own steps.

That's not to say that there is nothing good about us, or that we can never be correct about the direction we should go. A heart that has been cleansed by the blood of Jesus and trained in God's word might very well recommend the right path frequently. But that's just the point: bottom line, the right way is determined by God's word, not by whatever might be in my heart. Even the heart converted to Christ may be deceived by Satan's lies through the weakness of the flesh.

King Solomon wisely wrote: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths" (Proverbs 3:6).

When the world calls you to look within yourself to find the truth, resist that appeal with all your might. Let God direct your paths; then you may be confident that you will arrive safely at your eternal destination!

Joe Slater serves as minister of the Church of Christ in Justin, TX

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# Trayer List

\*Nina's endoscopy was clear and the iron infusion went well.
\*Ray S's

brother-in-law has brain cancer.

- \*Dale's mother and 2 cousins.
- \*Juanita, her sons, Dale and Ron and her daughter Debbie.
- \*Ron, Pat, and their great grandson Bryan..
- \*Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.
- \*Ruth and her brother George.
- \*Our Congregation
- \*Our Nation & Our Veterans.

## **Potluck Luncheon**

A potluck luncheon has been prepared and will be served following morning worship. Everyone is invited to stay and have lunch with us.

# Things to Remember Chardon Website: Chardon church of christ or

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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