

Good News From Chardon

Church of Christ

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Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark
 Song Leader: Dale
 Opening Hymn:
59—Holy, Holy, Holy
 Opening Prayer: Ray
 Hymn:
577—Heavenly Sunlight
 Scripture Reading: Jared
 1 John 1:5-10
 Hymn:
**297—When My Love To Christ
 Grows Weak**
 Lord's Supper: Tom
 Hymn:
261—Love Lifted Me
 Sermon: Mark
 Invitation Hymn:
607—All Things Are Ready
 Closing Hymn:
55—Take Time To Be Holy
 Closing Prayer: Robert

Rejecting the Light

“This is the condemnation that light is come into the world and men loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil” (John 3:19).

Ignorance is a universal malady. It is not that while some are smart, everyone else is ignorant. The fact is that we are all ignorant—just about different things. It is no disgrace to be ignorant. The disgrace comes when we prefer ignorance over understanding—to stay ignorant when we should and could be enlightened.



The most dangerous and deplorable ignorance is our ignorance of God. To some degree God has revealed Himself to all men, so that we are “without excuse” (Rom. 1:20). Even beyond His revelation through nature, the light of God is seen in Jesus Christ. A willful rejection of that Light is especially inexcusable. Because “their deeds are evil,” they do not wish to be answerable for their poor choices to One who is greater than themselves. Job 24:13 speaks of those

that “rebel against the light.” While not wanting to walk in the light of Christ and His word, these also blind their own minds to the fact that Judgment is coming. These will often deny God as Creator, choosing evolution as an alternative. These will reject the moral standards of His word, choosing alternate lifestyles. These will deny that God once destroyed the world by a great flood and are “willingly ignorant” also of the coming “day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men” (2 Pet. 3:5-7).

Have you renounced Satan’s kingdom of darkness and embraced the King of light, Jesus Christ? Have you accepted Him as God’s Son and your Lord and Savior, repenting of sins and being baptized (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:38; 22:16)? If so, are you continuing to “walk in the light,” thus being constantly cleansed in the blood of Christ? (1 John 1:7). Be warned: Jesus said, “If your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness” (Matthew 6:23).

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Fellowship with Him and One Another

1 JOHN 1:5-10

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faithful	fellowship	forgive
God	heard	lie
light	message	one
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truth	walk	which
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Hidden Message: _____

PRAYER LIST

***Wanda**. Some of her family has covid. ***Mary** and her family. **Carl** is still having problems with his hip. ***Tom** and Nina's 5-year-old great nephew, **Bear Nicholas**, is now at St. Jude's. ***Tom** and Nina's friend **Ken** and his wife **Brenda**. ***Kathy**, her sister, and her friends. Kathy was running a fever last week. ***Zarna's** family and friends. ***Larry** and **Ruth**. ***Pat** and **Ron** and their family. ***Juanita's** sister **Betty** and the rest of her family. ***Robert** and **Sara** and their children. ***Ray** and **Barbara** and their family. ***Dale** and his family. His friends **Dorthey** and **Riley** (age 5) who have cancer. ***Ray**, **Rebecca**, and **Steven**. ***Myron & Carole** and their family. ***Mark** and his family. ***Melinda** and her family.

CALENDAR

Jan. 9—Worship 11 am Speaker: Mark; Bible Study 6pm on-line with Dale
Jan. 13—(b) Cindy
Jan. 15—(a) Tom & Nina
Jan. 16—Worship 11 am Speaker: Tom; Bible Study 6pm on-line with Dale
Jan. 21—(b) Madelyn; (b) Robert A.
Jan. 23—Worship 11 am Speaker: Mark; Bible Study 6pm on-line with Dale
Jan. 26—(b) Amy
Jan. 30—Worship 11 am Speaker: Tom; Bible Study 6pm on-line with Dale
Jan 31—(b) Logan

In a good conversation, one person talks while the other listens.
Charlie Brown

SUNDAY: Worship - SUNDAY: Worship—11:00 am; Bible study—6:00 pm (on Zoom)

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Answer to puzzle:
walk in the light as
He is in the light