

# Good News From Chardon

## Church of Christ

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### Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark  
 Song Leader: Mark  
 Opening Hymn:  
**23—Sweet Hour Of Prayer**  
 Opening Prayer: Larry  
 Hymn:  
**207—The Lily Of The Valley**  
 Scripture Reading: Jared  
 1 Timothy 1:12-17  
 Hymn:  
**179—When I Survey The Cross**  
 Lord's Supper: Dale  
 Hymn:  
**653—Sing And Be Hapy**  
 Sermon: Mark  
 Invitation Hymn:  
**622—Soul, A Savior Thou Art**  
**Needing**  
 Closing Hymn:  
**40—Guide Me Oh Thou Great**  
**Jehovah**  
 Closing Prayer: Ryan

## Burdens Are Lifted At Calvary

The song is right – burdens really are lifted at Calvary! Our Savior Himself invited, “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28). Jesus didn’t shed His blood and die on the cross so you could carry your sin around like a ball and chain for the rest of your life. He offers rest!

Jesus made a point of saying “heavy laden.” He extends His grace to those who have committed “big” sins as well as transgressors in less extreme ways. Even as life was draining from Him, Jesus lifted the burden of a violent criminal who, only a short time before, had mocked Him. Jesus told him, “Today you will be with Me in paradise” (Luke 23:43).

Sometime later Jesus lifted the burden of Saul of Tarsus, a man who absolutely hated Him and was doing everything in his power to destroy the church. Innumerable disciples of Jesus had suffered arrest, torture, imprisonment, and even death at this man’s behest. So awful were his crimes that he later referred to himself as the chief of sinners (1 Timothy 1:15). Yet Jesus lifted even Saul’s enormous burden of sin! “For this reason I obtained mercy,

that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life” (1 Timothy 1:16). If I may paraphrase, “If Jesus can save me (and He did) then He can save anyone!”

Even before the cross, God’s people found relief from sin because Christ’s blood reached back to them just as it reaches forward to us. David’s burden made him feel lifeless and crushed until “I acknowledged my sin to You . . . and You forgave the iniquity of my sin” (Psalm 32:3-5).

So often we react to our sin with self-loathing and beating ourselves up. While such responses are understandable, they can never “fix” the problem! Only Jesus can do that.

Burdens are lifted at Calvary!

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

# Glory to God for His Grace

1 Timothy 1:13

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BELIEVE	BLASPHEMER	
CHRIST	COUNTED	ENABLED
FAITHFUL	FORMERLY	
GLORY	GRACE	HONOR
IGNORANTLY		
INSOLENT	JESUS	KING
LIFE	LONGSUFFERING	
LORD	LOVE	MINISTRY
PERSECUTOR		
SAVE	SINNERS	UNBELIEF
WISE	WORLD	WORTHY

Hidden Message:

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### PRAYER LIST

- **Mynda** and all her family; as they travel, **parents** at the loss of their home, **father's** surgery and injuries
- **Mark & Debbie** as they travel; **their** newborn granddaughter.
- **Roberta**, doing Bible study with Tom, body healing
- **Nina's** hip pain
- **Allen**, Wanda's son
- **Mary** and her family. **Carl's** gout, hip pain and heart issues, & terminally ill friend
- **Tom and Nina's** 5-year-old great nephew, **Bear Nicholas**, is now at home
- **Kathy**, her sister and friends. Kathy's foot healing
- **Zarna** and her family
- **Larry and Ruth**.
- **Juanita's** sister **Betty** and the rest of her family.
- **Dale's** brother-in-law **Spike's** heart attack
- **Ray and Barbara** and their family.
- **Dale's** health issues, job hunting and his family. His friend **Riley** (age 6) who has cancer. His cousin Darrell's surgery
- **Ray** and family as they recover from illness and surgery
- **Pat** and her family

### CALENDAR

- July 17—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Mark
- July 17—(b) Myron
- July 24—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom
- July 26—Ladies bible study at Nina's pot luck
- July 31—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Mark
- Aug 5 ---Friday nigh sing Dover
- Aug 7—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom. Business Meeting
- Aug 9—(a) Ray & Rebecca

### Upcoming Events and Announcements

- August 14-17 Streetsboro C of C Gospel Meeting

. "Life is your seesaw. You may not stay balanced long, but you can aim for a high after every low

SUNDAY: Bible Study—10:00 am, Worship—11:00 am

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