Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024 January 7, 2024 Issue 1

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:
90—Into Our Hands
Opening Prayer: Tom

Hymn:

274A—Jesus Loves Me Scripture Reading: Ryan

John 8:12-19 Hymn:

649—I Gave My Life For Thee

Lord's Supper: Robert

Hymn:

346—Hold To God's Unchanging Hand

Sermon: Mark Invitation Hymn:

613—Are You Washed In The Blood

Closing Hymn:

655—God Be With You Closing Prayer: Ray

CALENDAR

Jan. 7—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Mark. Business meeting

Jan. 7—(b) Cindy

Jan. 14—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker

Jan. 15—(a) Tom & Nina

Jan. 21—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker

Jan. 21—(b) Madelyn

Jan. 21—(b) Robert

Jan. 26—(b) Amy

Jan. 28—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker

Jan. 31—(b) Logan

☐ This little light of mine,
I'm gonna to let it shine,
let it shine, all the time,
let it shine! ☐ ☐

Be a Star

One of my favorite passages from the Book of Daniel is the following: "Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever" (Daniel 12:3).

Usually around the holidays it is not uncommon to hear commercials enticing you to name a star after yourself or a loved one. Did you know you can view a star, register a star in your name, and receive it as a gift for only \$34.95? There's a better way, and it actually costs \$34.95 less. With this plan, you can be a star instead of just renting one. When we access the insight of the righteousness that comes from God, and lead many to righteousness, then we can be a star in God's galaxy. And as one of His stars you can shine on leading others with the light to the saving Light that is found in Jesus Christ.

From the beginning, light has been associated with the Presence and the glory of God. His first recorded words were, "Let there be light" (Genesis 1:3). And at His command light burst forth into the darkness of a formless and empty world. In John chapter 1 Jesus is described as the Light that "shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it." And Christ's own words in John 8:12 were, "I am the Light of the world."

A burning bush signaled God's Presence to Moses. God led the children of Israel by fire at night. A golden lampstand was to burn perpetually in the Holy Place of God's Tabernacle and Temple, and a shining star led the wise men to the Christ Child. These are just a few of many examples throughout the Bible.

In His first recorded sermon, Jesus tells His followers, "You are the light of the world," just as He referred to Himself. We are intended as lights of the world to illuminate and give light to others. There is a wonderful example of this in nature – the Sun and Moon. The Moon has no light of its own. The source of its light is the Sun, which it reflects, causing it to appear to have light. In the same way, we have no light apart from Christ. We can, however, reflect Him and shine in the darkness of the world. We need to realize that this world is dark with sin and people need us as Christians to shine. As we look around at all the school shootings, the drugs, the crime, the constant and neverending wars, and the diluting of the family we are reminded of how there are people hurting all around the world. People need the Lord and they need hope. We as children of God can give that to them if we just live as a shining example of Christ. We cannot keep Christ to ourselves. We have to flood the world with His Light! Remember, Jesus said in Matthew 5:16, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father Which is in Heaven."

David R. Ferguson preaches for the Mentor Church of Christ in Mentor, OH.

PRAYER LIST

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Mynda's as she travels. Celeste's mother in law
Amy's heart, Friend Tina's knee & foot
Nina health issues
Tom surgery recovery
Mark and Debbie as they travel. Mark has been very ill
Tom's Bible Study with Roberta, Channing,
and Kris.
Bonnie's feet, grandsons Devin & Dakota, Rhonda
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. Mary's friend Aubrey's pregnancy.
Kathy's foot healing. Her sister Vicky passed away
Linda's health, Tiffany's health & stress & family
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. She is ill.
Ray and Barbara and their family.
Dale's health issues, headaches and his family. His
Mothers heart and lungs. 7 year old girl, Lucie, with
Leukemia. His uncle James sadly has passed away.
Cousin Kenny hernia, Cousin Joshua heart Issues,
Cousin Randal physical & mental health His
Cousin Roosevelt in hospital with nerve pain
Ray's health and his family. Rebecca's knee & illness
Steven health
Pat and her family
Robert's friend Freeman with cancer
Sara's father injuries from a fall
Brenda's health, 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.
The nations at war
Myron & Carole as they travel. Carole's brother Oscar

passed away

Larry and Ruth, she is in the hospital

Mike & Debra as they lead Bryce back to Christ

WORD LIST

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Happy New Year

John 8:12-19 ¹² Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. ¹³ The Pharisees therefore said unto him, Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is not true. ¹⁴ Jesus answered and said unto them, Though I bear record of myself, yet my record is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I go. ¹⁵ Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man. ¹⁶ And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me. ¹⁷ It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true. ¹⁸ I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me. ¹⁹ Then said they unto him, Where is thy Father? Jesus answered, Ye neither know me, nor my Father: if ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.

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