# Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024 February 4, 2024 Issue 5

### Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark Song Leader: Mark Opening Hymn:

**4—I Am Thine O Lord** Opening Prayer: Robert

Hymn:

572—Christ For The World We Sing

Scripture Reading: Ryan

Romans 12:9-18

Hymn:

**321—At The Cross** Lord's Supper: Tom

Hymn:

336—There's A Great Day Coming

Sermon: Mark
Invitation Hymn:
600—Jesus Is Calling
Closing Hymn:

**113—To The Work** Closing Prayer: Dale

### **CALENDAR**

Feb. 4—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Mark, Business meeting

Feb. 8—(b) Mason

Feb. 11—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom

Feb. 11—(b) Melinda

Feb. 17—(a) David & Dorene

Feb. 18—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Mark

Feb. 21—(b) Jaden

Feb. 22—(a) Ray & Barbara

Feb. 25—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom

Mar. 3—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am

And He walks with me, and He talks with me, and He tells me I am His own, and the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known A

## Maybe It's Our Time

In writing to the church at Ephesus, the Apostle Paul stated, 1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit – just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call – 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, Who is over all and through all and in all. (Ephesians 4:1-6 [ESV])

One of the most difficult things to do is watch a beloved parent, who in former years you looked upon as a stalwart of strength, slowly lose the vitality he or she formerly possessed, and witness their former vigor sapped away through the slowly encroaching years. As the ensuing years pass by, hard decisions need to be made. One of my longtime friends shared with me recently a similar situation his family was facing regarding his own father. This is how he described it.

The tension in the room was palpable. It could be literally felt. His elderly father was in the living room, and his mother, the loyal wife of 67 years, was frustrated because my friend's sister and brother had suggested that their father should stop driving. As they continued their discussion, my friend prayed for words that would help. When the tension eased for a moment, and emotions had calmed down, my friend felt the time was right for him to approach his father. Understanding that his father had been a proud man, and never looked for a handout or wanted to be a burden to anyone, my friend began the conversation by talking about the ways his father had helped people throughout the years. He finally asked his father if helping others had been a burden to him. His father thought for a moment as a smile creased his face, and he replied, "No, it was never a burden. In fact, I always felt it was a great blessing to help others that brought him great joy." My friend responded with a smile of his own, saying gently to his father, "Then might I suggest that maybe the time has come for others to experience that same joy by helping you." His father agreed, saying he had not thought of it this way before.

Many of us go through life determined to do everything ourselves. In our family, at work, and perhaps especially as we age, we are determined to go it alone and not to be a burden to others. However, God has created us to live in fellowship with one another. Over time our roles change. Sometimes we are the ones who help, and sometimes we are the ones who receive help. This is the beauty of fellowship in God. But don't be afraid to ask for help of those who are your brothers and sisters in the Lord. That's what we are here for.

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

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Mynda's as she travels. Celeste's mother in law Amy's heart, Friend Tina's knee & foot

Nina health issues Tom surgery recovery. Their son-in-law

Chris lost his job

Mark and **Debbie** as they travel.

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 niece Treuly with cancer,

Carl and Ryan have been ill

Kathy's foot healing.

**Linda's** health, 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 has been ill

Ray and Barbara and their family. Dale's health issues with covid, headaches and his family. His Mothers medical procedure. 7 year old girl,

Lucie, with Leukemia. Cousin Kenny hernia, Cousin Joshua heart Issues, Cousin Randal physical & mental health Cousin Roosevelt 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.

Larry and Ruth, she is at Briar Hill

Mike & Debra as they lead Bryce back to Christ.

Miyapur Church of Christ in Hyderabad, South India

Les Cayes Church of Christ in southeast Haiti

#### WORD LIST

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CONCEIT	CURSE	ESTATE
EVIL	GOOD	HONEST
HONOR	HOPE	HOSPITALITY
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#### WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

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And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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Romans 12:9-18

<sup>9</sup> Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. <sup>10</sup> Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; <sup>11</sup> Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; <sup>12</sup> Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; <sup>13</sup> Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. <sup>14</sup> Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.<sup>15</sup> Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. <sup>16</sup> Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. <sup>17</sup> Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. <sup>18</sup> If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

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