

Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024

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Issue 9

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:
47—No, Not One
Opening Prayer: Tom
Hymn:
501—Give Me The Bible
Scripture Reading: Ryan
John 4:19-26
Hymn:
28—My Jesus, I Love Thee
Lord's Supper: Robert
Hymn:
668—Our God, He Is Alive
Sermon: Mark
Invitation Hymn:
614—Who At My Door Is Standing
Closing Hymn:
111—Yield Not To Temptation
Closing Prayer: Larry

Worship

How do you describe what we do when we gather on Sundays? I suppose that most of the time, we just say that we are "going to worship" or that those are our "worship times."

But if you had to put a word after the word "worship" to describe what we do, what word would you choose? Probably, the main way we would fill in that blank would be to use the word "service." We might even announce that it is time for us to begin our worship service. Certainly, there is nothing wrong with that. It is an accurate term for what we are doing, as worship is meant to be in service to our heavenly Father.

But I want to suggest another word that means a lot to me, and that might further help us focus on what we are doing.

For about seven years, I worked with Andy Kizer in Haleyville, Alabama. He meant a lot to me as a very young man trying to learn the ins-and-outs of local ministry. Outside of my own family, he is likely the man whom I would consider my "mentor" in the ministry.

One thing that he used to say then--and still does--is in describing worship. It is not that he never said "worship service." He would from time-to-time. But it was not his main way of describing these periods of time. Instead, the vast majority of the time, he would refer to them as "worship privileges." If you think about it, that is actually quite profound.

To be allowed to worship the almighty God of the universe and to know how to do so in a way that pleases and honors Him truly is a privilege. We should not be allowed in His presence, but He seeks such (cf. John 4:23-24). We would never know how to approach Him in a pleasing way, but He has clearly told us how to do so and that He delights when we do. What a privilege!

For various reasons, though, we sometimes struggle or even fail to see worship for the privilege it is. We treat it as common. We decide other things are more important. We want to change how it is done. We are present physically but a million miles away mentally. We would rather stare at Facebook than sing to the Father. We find mundane things of this world more interesting than the glory of worshipping God.

When we act in these types of ways, it is obvious that we are not seeing worship for the true privilege it is. But, oh, how we should! To come before God should humble us deeply. To know we can please Him as we do should cause us great joy. And to be allowed to do so each week should cause us to realize what an amazing privilege worship truly is.

It is a worship service. There is no doubt about that. But may we never forget that it is also a worship privilege and reverently treat these times as such.

Adam Faughn preaches for the Central Church of Christ in Paducah KY.

♪ Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so; little ones to Him belong; they are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so ♪

CALENDAR

Mar. 3—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark, Business meeting
Ladies meeting
Mar. 8—(b) Dale
Mar.10—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom
Mar. 15—(b) Jackson
Mar.17—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark
Mar.17—(b) Christopher
Mar.17—(b) Dorene
Mar.21—(b) Jerad
Mar.21—(b) Mary

PRAYER LIST

Mynda as she travels. **Caleb's** upcoming shoulder surgery
Cason's upcoming eye surgery
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** is cancer free!!
 The family has been ill
Kathy's foot healing and lung infection
Linda's health, 2 1/2 year old baby with terminal cancer.
 Her close friend **Truxton** passed away
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 **Jeff 's** surgery recovery
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. Her **brother** passed away
Lenise—knee problems.
Larry and Ruth, she is at Briar Hill rehab
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

ALIVE	BELIEVE	BIBLE
CHILDREN	CHRIST	COMES
DEED	FATHER	HOURL
JERUSALEM	JESUS	JEWS
KNOW	MOUNTAIN	PROPHET
SALVATION	SEEK	SPEAK
SPIRIT	THINGS	TONGUE
TRUTH	WOMAN	WORD
WORSHIP	YIELD	

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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

My little children, let us not love in word,
 neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

Answer: 1 JOHN 3:18

John 4:19-26

¹⁹ The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet. ²⁰ Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. ²¹ Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. ²² Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. ²³ But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. ²⁴ God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. ²⁵ The woman saith unto him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things. ²⁶ Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am he.

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