

Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024

May 12, 2024

Issue 19

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom

Song Leader: Mark

Opening Hymn:

33—My Faith Looks Up To Thee

Opening Prayer: Dale

Hymn:

229—Victory In Jesus

Scripture Reading: Ryan

1 Timothy 6:6-12

Hymn:

51—Break Thou The Bread Of Life

Lord's Supper: Robert

Hymn:

252—Redeemed

Sermon: Tom

Invitation Hymn:

632—Time Enough Yet

Closing Hymn:

62—Take My Hand, Pre

Closing Prayer: Ray

♪When my way growth drear, precious
Lord linger near, When my life is almost
gone; Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my
hand lest I fall; Take my hand, precious
Lord, lead me home. Precious Lord, take my
hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I
am weak, I am worn; Thru the storm, thru
the night, lead me on, to the light; Take my
hand, precious Lord, lead me home ♪

CALENDAR

May 12—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom

May 14—(a) Albert & Margaret

May 19—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark

May 19—(b) Tami

May 20—(b) Jacob

May 21—(b) Marc

May 22—(b) Barbara

May 23—(b) Cali

My Eyes Have Seen Your Salvation

In Horatio Spafford's famous hymn, *It Is Well*, we sing the words, "Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, 'It is well, it is well with my soul.'" We would love to always be able to utter the words "it is well" and truly mean them. In a world full of competition and constant busyness, however, true contentment is hard to come by.

Paul teaches the importance of contentment throughout his letters. Writing to Timothy, for example, he says, "But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content" (1 Timothy 6:6-8). When Paul fervently prayed that God heal his thorn in the flesh, God answered: "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9). The result? Contentment. Paul told the Corinthians, "Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong" (2 Corinthians 12:9-10).

When comparing the Bible's teaching on contentment to the temptation to continually seek more in this world, what is the basis for true contentment? How can we become like Paul? The Bible teaches that our contentment is rooted in the good news of God's grace and what he has done for us. One of the greatest examples of biblical contentment is found in the prophet Simeon in Luke 2.

Luke tells us that Simeon was a righteous and devout man, and that he was waiting for Israel's deliverance, like so many other Jews during his time. Unlike other Jews, however, the Holy Spirit had revealed to Simeon that "he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ" (Luke 2:26). One day, Simeon was led by God into the temple, and he saw baby Jesus, who had been brought to the temple to be presented to the Lord. Upon seeing Jesus and remembering the Spirit's promise that he would see the Messiah, Simeon took Jesus into his arms and said, "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word" (Luke 2:29). It seems that Simeon is saying, "Now that I have seen Jesus, I can die!" I can think of no greater contentment than feeling as though I've gotten all I ever needed from this life and am ready for the next.

The question is, why was Simeon so immediately content upon seeing Jesus? In his own words, "...for my eyes have seen your salvation" (Luke 2:30). For Simeon, life's greatest contentment came upon seeing the good news of God's grace firsthand. May we all seek true contentment. God loves you, and so do I.

Jared Green preaches the
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PRAYER LIST

Mynda as she travels. **Caleb's** shoulder treatment
Tom & Nina health issues.
 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 health, grandsons **Devin, Dakota & Dillon,**
Rhonda. As she travels and visits in Arkansas
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 , they are all doing. better.
Keatha, Mary's sister in law.
Kathy's foot healing and upcoming eye surgery
Linda's health and severe back pain
 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.
Ray and **Barbara** and their family.
Dale's health issues, headaches and his family. His **Mothers**
 medical procedure and sciatic pain. 7 year old girl,
Lucie, with Leukemia. Cousin **Kenny** hernia, Cousin
Joshua heart Issues, Cousin **Randal** physical &
 mental health Cousin **Roosevelt** with nerve pain
 Cousin **James** in serious truck accident
Ray's health and his family. **Rebecca, Steven, and Asher**
 Breathing issues
Pat and her family
Robert & Sara's friend **Freeman** with cancer, their **Son**
Michael and Daughter **Maddie**
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 rehab and has a large
 bed sore
Mike & Debra as they lead Bryce back to Christ.
Betty's friends; **Ann** with cancer, **Ron** in hospital
Miyapur Church of Christ in Hyderabad, South India
Les Cayes Church of Christ in southeast Haiti

WORD LIST

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| CARRY | CERTAIN | CONTENT |
| COVET | DESTRUCTION | DROWN |
| EVIL | FAITH | FALL |
| FIGHT | FLEE | FOLLOW |
| FOOD | FOOLISH | GAIN |
| GODLINESS | GOOD | HURTFUL |
| LIFE | LOVE | LUST |
| MONEY | NOTHING | PERDITION |
| PIERCED | RAIMENT | RICH |
| ROOT | SNARE | SORROWS |
| TEMPTATION | WORLD | |

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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

And the apostles said unto the Lord,
 Increase our faith.

Answer: Luke 17:5

1 Timothy 6:6-12

⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. ⁸ And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. ⁹ But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. ¹⁰ For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. ¹¹ But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. ¹² Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

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