

Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024
December 1, 2024 Issue 48

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:
2—We're Marching To Zion
Opening Prayer: Tom
Hymn:
459—The Glory-land Way
Scripture Reading: Ryan
Philippians 3:17-21
Hymn:
649—I Gave My Life For Thee
Lord's Supper: Robert
Hymn:
358—When The Saved Get To Heaven
Sermon: Jerad
Invitation Hymn:
644—Trust And Obey
Closing Hymn:
655—God Be With You
Closing Prayer: Larry

♪ On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, The emblem of suffering and shame, And I love that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown. ♪

CALENDAR

Dec 1—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Jerad Business Meeting
Dec 8—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark
Dec 9—(b) Megan
Dec 15—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom
Dec 22—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark
Dec 29—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Jerad

Whom Will You Follow

The Epistle to the Philippians is one of Paul's most personal NT epistles and has been called by some "a window into Paul's very heart." The main theme found throughout the letter to the church at Philippi is that of JOY. In total the words joy, rejoice, and rejoicing are found 17 times in these 4 short chapters. Thus, many have labeled Philippians as "Paul's Hymn of Joy." It is a look into Paul's journey in Finding Peace of Mind.

Many search for peace and serenity in this life, but few ever find it. The realities of life can, at times, be harsh and thus many seek through various means for a way of escape, only to find that in the end they have done more harm than good. What does this have to do with Paul's epistle to the Philippians? Philippians was written by a man (Paul) who had found true peace of mind in life.

Even though he was in prison at the time of this writing. Even though he was awaiting a trial that could very well result in his death. Paul had found the joy which produces peace of mind and he wanted to share that with his readers. Philippians is thus of great value to the Christian because: it reveals the nature of true peace and joy in life. It reveals the example of a man who demonstrates what produces peace and joy in one's life. It reveals the Christ who is the true source of our peace and joy.

As we consider a small part of the message from Paul's epistle to the Philippians, let us remember that Paul wants us to understand where joy and peace come from so that we might have them in our life. This is an especially important consideration in light of our text for this sermon—Ph.3:17-21. As we consider this passage, we shall notice that Paul is here discussing the fact that there are 2 ways that we can walk (or live) in this life. We can walk as a citizen of heaven. Or we can walk as an enemy of the cross.

Which we choose shall determine if we find the peace and joy that Paul so desperately wants us to enjoy. Whom will you follow? Which choice have you made? Not which choice do you want everyone to think you have made but which choice have you actually made? How are you walking in this life? Are you walking in righteousness, as a citizen of heaven, or in unrighteousness as an enemy of the cross.

The answer may well depend upon where you have set your mind. If your mind is set on earthly things, you will be an enemy of the cross. Because you will: make your belly your God, glory in that which is shameful and you will bring on your own destruction. If it is set on heavenly things you will be a citizen of heaven. Because you will: live as a citizen of heaven, eagerly await Christ's coming and live in preparation for the transformation of this body. Have you become a citizen of the kingdom? If so, are you acting like it?

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PRAYER LIST

Mynda as she travels. **Caleb's** back surgery recovery
Tom & Nina health issues, **Nina's** back pain,
 Their son-in-law **Chris** lost his job
Mark and **Debbie** as they travel. **Mark's** heart procedure
 recovery. **Debbie** shoulder surgery recovery
Mark's brother **Dale's** health
Tom's Bible Study with **Roberta, Channing,** and **Kris.**
Bonnie's health, grandsons **Devin, Dakota, Mick, Dillon,**
Connor & Keegan. Daughters **Ronda** and **Renee**
Wanda's migraines; son **Allen,** sisters **Lorraine, Joyce**
 knee surgery, **niece Nikki** in bad accident, **niece**
Lorrie heart attack. **Allen's friend** with brain bleed.
Mary, Carl and family. Keatha, Mary's sister-in-law.
 Mary's brother **David** with health issue, Friend
Amber with the loss of her baby
Jim and Beverly G. with health issues
Wayne and Diane G. with health issues
Kathy's health, friends **Fran** with cancer. Her neighbor's faith
Linda's eye surgery Dec 3rd, health and back pain,
Tiffany & family. Christian with epilepsy.
Zarna and her family
Juanita, is at Briar Hill assisted living rm.100, and her family.
Ray and Barbara and their family.
Dale's health issues, headaches, His family. His **Mothers**
 medical procedure & diagnosis. 7 year old girl,
Lucie, with Leukemia. Cousins, **Randal** physical &
 mental health, **James** in serious truck accident,
Jalen's mental health. Uncles **Earl** with cancer,
Jimmy who fell, **Aunt Rose** health
 Brother in Christ **Johnston** medical procedure
 Uncle **Jimmy** stroke.
Ray's health and his family. **Rebecca's** illness and
 recovery. **Steven, and Asher**
Pat recovering from a fall, and her family
Robert & Sara their Sister **Tanya's** pain, Son **Michael** and
 Daughter **Maddie,** Friend **Hailey** serious health
 issues after birthing
Brenda's health, her sister **Linda** with brain cancer,
 sister-in-law **Linda** with breast cancer, son **Mark**
 surgery recovery, granddaughter **Amanda.**
Larry & family.
Mike & Debra Their friend **Carl** with cancer.
 Betty's son **Randy's** health

WORD LIST

BELLY	BODY	CHANGE
CHRIST	CONVERSE	CROSS
DESTRUCTION	EARTHLY	ENEMY
EVIL	FOLLOWER	FORGET
FOUND	GLORY	HEAVEN
JESUS	LOOK	LORD
MANY	MIND	PERFECT
SAVIOR	SHAME	SUBDUE
THINGS	TOGETHER	WALK
WEEPING	ZEAL	

R U K N J X Y A S Y M H K I E
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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

I can do all things through Christ which
 strengthens me.

Answer: Philippians 4:13

Philippians 3:17-21 ¹⁷ Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. ¹⁸ (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: ¹⁹ Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) ²⁰ For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: ²¹ Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

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