Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024 March 16, 2025 Issue 11

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Dale
Song Leader: Doug
Opening Hymn:
67—Praise God
Opening Prayer: Doug

Hymn:

573—I Shall Not Be Moved Scripture Reading: Myron

Hebrews 3:1-6

Hymn:

312—From The Garden To The Cross

Lord's Supper: Robert

Hymn:

646—Just A Little Talk With Jesus

Sermon: Dale Invitation Hymn:

167—Jesus, The Loving Shepherd

Closing Hymn:

332—To Christ Be True

Closing Prayer: Larry

CALENDAR

Mar 16—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Dale

Mar 17—(b) Christopher

Mar 17—(b) Dorene

Mar 21—(b) Jerad

Mar 21—(b) Mary

Mar 23—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Mark

Mar 25—(b) Justin

Mar 30—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am

Faith and Morality

The Bible begins with the beginning. And, in that beginning, lies the basic premise around which to build our lives. Morality stands or falls on the basis of one unalterable truth: "God created the heavens and the earth" (Gen. 1:1). It is faith in God as our Creator that gives purpose to our lives. Without faith, we are aimless drifters with no hope beyond the grave.

When the apostle Paul wrote his letter to the Romans, he spoke of the evidence for God's existence as displayed in the material universe. He said that what is "known about God is evident...for God made it evident....For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through that which has been made, so that they are without excuse" (Rm. 1:19-20). Ignorance is no excuse for unbelief. God has provided, through His creation, evidence of His eternal power and divine nature. This argument is closely tied to that which was used by the Hebrew author who said: "Every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God" (Heb. 3:4). Because of its order and design, a house demands an architect and builder. In spite of what a future homeowner might wish, a house does not build itself! Infinitely more complex than a house is the universe. Its builder and designer is God.

But some will ignore the evidence and refuse to give honor to God as their Creator. Refusing to acknowledge God or render thanks to Him for His blessings, they will exchange the truth of what they know about God for a lie and worship and serve the creature rather than the Creator (Rm. 1:21-28). Such a rejection of God is followed by a downward spiral into moral depravity (Rm. 1:29:31). Though included in Paul's description of their wicked behavior, the besetting sin of the Gentile world was not homosexuality, murder, or idolatry. Their great sin was rejecting God. Everything else was the result of their refusal to honor Him as Creator.

It is to our shame that we have allowed godless atheism its stranglehold in our society. Rejecting God as Creator, we have paid the price in moral confusion and wicked behavior. The tide will not be stemmed until we have restored faith in God as our basis of morality. Morality is not inherited from our forefathers. It is not decided upon by popular opinion polls. Morality is founded upon our belief in God. God will hold us each accountable for the lives we choose to live (Eccl. 12:14). Without God, there is no basis for determining right and wrong. And, where there are no absolutes, there is anarchy. Pray that we, as a nation, will turn our eyes back to God as our Creator and to Christ as our hope for everlasting life.

Glen Elliott preaches for the Church of Christ in Greenbrier, AR.

PRAYER LIST

Mynda as she travels. Caleb's back surgery recovery											
Her Aunt Donna and family. The Brown Family											
loss of grandfather and mother.											
Tom & Nina health Nina is at home Daughter Johny											

Tom & Nina health, Nina is at home. Daughter Jenny and family

Mark and Debbie as they travel. Mark's brother Dale Their daughter & husband's job.

Tom's Bible Study with Roberta, Channing, and Kris. Bonnie's health, grandsons Devin, Dakota, Dillon, Mick, Connor & Keegan. Daughters Ronda and Renee. Friend, Liz with troubles

Wanda's migraines; son Allen. friend with brain bleed.

Carole - friend's son Brad heart issues

Mary, Carl and family. Carl is in the hospital with health and heart issues. Ryan's ankle, Keatha—Mary's sister-in-law. Mary's brother **David** with health issue,

Jim and Beverly G. with health issues. Bev was in the hospital but home now and waiting on testing

Wayne and Diane G. with health issues Kathy's health, her foot and upcoming tests

Linda's health and back pain, Tiffany & family. Christian, Daughter in law, **Becky**, health & job

Zarna and her family Juanita and her family.

Ray and Barbara and their family.

Dale's health issues, headaches, His family. His Mothers upcoming knee replacement surgery. 7 year old girl, Lucie, with Leukemia. Cousins, Randal physical & mental health, Jalen's mental health. Uncle Earl with cancer, Aunt Rose health, Brother in Christ **Johnston** surgery recovery. Uncle **Jimmy** stroke.

Ray's health and his family. Rebecca, Steven, and Asher

Pat and her family

Robert & Sara, Son Michael, Daughter Maddie

Brenda's health, son Mark's heart issues, sister-in-law **Linda** with breast cancer, grandson **Jason** with herniated neck disc, granddaughter Amanda. Her brother's health. Friend Marge with cancer.

Larry & family

Mike & Debra as they prepare to travel to Ohio

Betty's friend Judy, in rehab Mark L.—stimulator in his back

WORD LIST

BRETHREN BUILT

APOSTLE

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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man

Answer: James 1:13

Hebrews 3:1-6 1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus; 2 Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house. 3 For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house. 4 For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God. 5 And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after; 6 But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

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