

Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024

May 11, 2025

Issue 19

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark

Song Leader: Myron

Opening Hymn:

14—Higher Ground

Opening Prayer: Robert

Hymn:

90—Into Our Hands

Scripture Reading: Tom

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Hymn:

288—The Lord's Supper

Lord's Supper: Dale

Hymn:

119—Rock Of Ages

Sermon: Mark

Invitation Hymn:

100—Take My Life, And Let It Be

Closing Hymn:

55—Take Time To Be Holy

Closing Prayer: Robert

♪ Tempted and tried we're oft made to wonder

Why it should be thus all the day long,

While there are others living about us,

Never molested tho in the wrong.

Farther along we'll know all about it,

Farther along we'll understand why;

Cheer up, my brother,

live in the sunshine,

we'll understand it all by-and-by. ♪

CALENDAR

May 11-Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark

May 11-(b) Betty

May 14-(a) Albert & Margaret

May 18-Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Business Meeting

May 19-(b) Tami

May 20-(b) Jacob

What Went Through Her Mind

There are times when reading a passage of Scripture, I have to stop and wonder what someone was thinking or feeling as the events unfolded. At times, the Bible tells us what an individual was thinking, but many times, those details are not provided. While we do not need to try to come to some hard-and-fast conclusion about how someone felt or what they thought when the text does not reveal it to us, it is still an interesting exercise to engage in.

One of those times for me is in Acts 1, as a small group of the faithful were meeting in the upper room. Following the ascension of Jesus, 120 people were present in that room. The apostles would take that opportunity to appoint Matthias to take the place of Judas Iscariot, but most of what was done in that room was waiting, as Jesus had told them to do.

However, the Holy Spirit felt it was important for us to know at least some of those 120 who were present. The apostles were there, as well as "the women," presumably, those who had helped with the ministry of Jesus. Acts 1:14 ends by telling us that among those 120 were also "Mary the mother of Jesus, and His brothers" (literally, siblings).

When I read that detail, I cannot help but wonder what was going through the mind and heart of Mary. Those brothers had not believed in Jesus during His ministry. In fact, on one occasion, they had basically attempted to set him up, likely to be imprisoned or even killed (John 7:1-5).

Now, however, here were those same brothers, meeting with this small band of believers. Two of them--James and Jude--would go on to be inspired writers of New Testament texts. So far as we know, all of them remained faithful to Jesus.

What a blessing for that mother! The Bible does not reveal to us conversations that Mary had with those brothers during the ministry of Jesus when they struggled so much with believing in Him. We are left to our imaginations to wonder what she said, how she prayed, or what else she might have done. While we cannot go beyond the text, our hearts are filled with images of her desiring for these siblings to believe in their Brother.

Though it took some time, it would seem that the resurrection was the key (cf. 1 Corinthians 15:7). Now, those siblings were faithful to Jesus. We have to believe that Mary's heart was filled with praise and joy.

Today being Mother's Day, I believe her heart is similar to the heart of virtually every faithful Christian mom. Whether their children are faithful to the Lord or not, that is what they desire. They pray for it earnestly. They do what they know to do to help their children--small or grown--to know Jesus and be faithful to
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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 and improving
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 as she travels, her health, grandsons **Devin,**
Dakota, Dillon, Mick, Connor & Keegan.
Daughters **Ronda** and **Renee.**

Wanda's migraines; son **Allen.** friend with brain bleed. Her
sister **Joyce's** brother in law health

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

Jim and Beverly G. with health issues. Bev is waiting on
testing & treatment

Wayne and Diane G. with health issues

Kathy's health, her foot and upcoming throat surgery

Linda's health, she broke 3 ribs, **Tiffany & family. Christian**
seizures, Daughter in law, **Becky,** chemo treatment

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** is home and will
have surgery in May, **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, breast cancer, grandson **Jason** herniated
neck disc, granddaughter **Amanda.** brother **Jim**
Back surgery Friend **Marge** with cancer.

Larry & family

Mike & Debra as they prepare to travel to Ohio

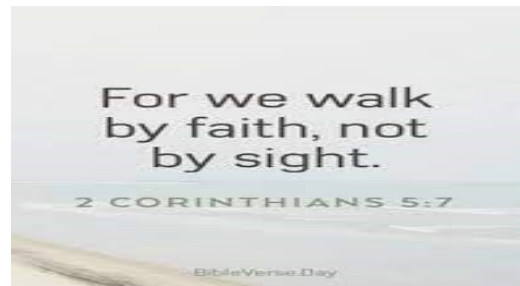
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Him. Above anything else, that is what they want for their kids.

Those children may or may not be part of what is still a small band of faithful followers, but that is the heart of a Christian mother. And if anything can change those children, it is the same thing that changed the siblings of Jesus: His resurrection. Take them there. Remind them of His power over sin and the grave. Pray they will come to understand the eternal difference that miracle makes.

That is the heart of a Christian mother, and we praise God for each one of them today.

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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

Answer: Galatians 6:3

1 Corinthians 15:1-8 1 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. 3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: 5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: 6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. 7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. 8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.

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