# Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024 September 7, 2025 Issue 36

### Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:
14—Higher Ground
Opening Prayer: Robert

Hymn:

**90—Into Our Hands** Scripture Reading: Ryan 1 John 5:12-15

Hymn:

297—When My Love To Christ Grows Weak

Lord's Supper: Myron

Hymn:

444—Sing To Me Of Heaven

Sermon: Mark Invitation Hymn: 644—Trust And Obey

Closing Hymn:

100—Take My Life, And Let It Be

Closing Prayer: Tom

☐ Blessed are they who do His commandments,

They shall claim the tree of life;
Into the city they shall enter,
They are victors in the strife.

Blessed, blessed, blessed are they,
Into the city they shall enter,
Blessed, blessed, blessed are they. ☐

#### **CALENDAR**

Sept 7--Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom. Business meeting

Sept 13-(b) Cason

Sept 14-Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom

Sept 16-(b) Wanda Sept 16-(b) Susan

Sept 19-(b) Ray

## Living Hope

Hope is a word we use often in our daily vocabulary. We hope that the wait is not too long at the restaurant. We hope the weather does not cancel our plans. We hope our favorite sports team wins this weekend. Hope, when used that way, is simply wishful thinking. While I may hope that the above things happen the way I want them, I have no way of ensuring short wait times, good weather, or a Kentucky Basketball win.

Biblical hope, on the other hand, goes a step beyond wishful thinking. Hope is a word used often in the Bible to talk about our salvation and eternal home. No passage makes that clearer than 1 Peter 1:3-5. Paul teaches that those of us who are in Christ have been "born again to a living hope" (v. 3). This hope is more than wishful thinking. As a matter of fact, to view biblical hope as simply wishful thinking is to discredit the power of our salvation in Christ Jesus. Biblical hope carries the idea of confident

assurance that is rooted in the promises of God. According to Paul, we are hoping in "an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you" (v. 4). True hope is the confident assurance that heaven is my ultimate inheritance. As John writes, through Jesus, we can know that we have eternal life (1 John 5:13).

In what, then, is our hope rooted? How are we able to move from wishful thinking to confident assurance? The answer is found in the whole of Paul's teaching: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time (1 Peter 1:3-5).

Through God's mercy and our faith in Jesus, we have been born again to a living hope. A hope that is rooted in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In his resurrection, Jesus defeated the power of sin and death. In his resurrection, Jesus made possible freedom from the bondage of sin for all those who, through faith, receive God's rich mercy. Those of us who have been born again—that is, through baptism (John 3:5; Romans 6:3-4)—should be confident that Jesus has secured our heavenly home through the power of his resurrection from the dead. May we never hope for our salvation the same way we hope for warm weather. For our hope is confident assurance, rooted in God's promises, and secured by the power of the resurrection. God loves you, and so do I.

Jared Green
Calvert City Church of Christ in Calvert City, KY.

#### **PRAYER LIST**

| Mynda | a as | she   | travels. | Her  | Mom | is in | the | rehab. | Her | <b>Aunt</b> |
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**Tom & Nina** health, Sister in law **Frances** health, Daughter **Jenny** and family

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

Bonnie's health, grandsons Devin, Dakota, Dillon's health, Mick, Connor & Keegan. Daughters Ronda and Renee.

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

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

Jim and Beverly G.health issues. Bev is in treatment

Wayne and Diane G. with health issues

**Kathy**'s health, friends Channing, Jimmy & Howard, Kim, Rex, Edard Family, Nick & Emily Family, Sandi & John

Linda's broken leg & health, Tiffany & family. Christian seizures, Daughter in law, Becky, chemo treatment, great Granddaughter Dahlia health. Ethan's health

Zarna and her family Juanita and her family.

Ray and Barbara and their family.

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

Ray's health and his family. Steven and Asher. Rebecca is in the hospital. Sadly, the cancer has spread. Visitors and phone calls welcome and appreciated.

Pat and her family

Robert & Sara, Son Michael, Daughter Maddie, Sara's father Jeff's health, her mother Connie's health

Brenda, son Mark's heart issues, sister-in-law Linda, breast cancer, grandson Jason neck disc, granddaughter Amanda. brother Jim Back surgery Friend Marge with cancer.

Larry & family

**Doug's** mother, **Virginia**, is home now in Indiana Betty's sister in law **Nancy**-stroke. Son **Randy** broken foot

#### **WORD LIST**

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## WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Answer: Psalm 119:11

#### 1 John 5:12-15

12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. 13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God. 14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: 15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

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