

# Good News From Chardon

## Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024  
September 14, 2025 Issue 37

### Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom  
Song Leader: Myron  
Opening Hymn:  
**55—Take Time to be Holy**  
Opening Prayer: Dale  
Hymn:  
**657—God Will Take Care of You**  
Scripture Reading: Ryan  
Hymn:  
**293—Night, With Ebon Pinion**  
Lord's Supper: Robert  
Hymn:  
**282—Ring Out the Message**  
Sermon: Tom  
Invitation Hymn:  
**593—Free Waters**  
Closing Hymn:  
**654—Abide With Me**  
Closing Prayer: Ryan

♪ God is calling the prodigal,  
come without delay.  
Hear, O, hear Him calling,  
calling now for thee;  
Tho' you've wandered so far  
from His presence, come today,  
Hear His loving voice calling still.  
Calling now for thee,  
O, weary prodigal, come;  
Calling now for thee,  
O, weary prodigal, come. ♪

### CALENDAR

Sept 14-Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am  
Speaker Tom  
Sept 16-(b) Wanda  
Sept 16-(b) Susan  
Sept 19-(b) Ray  
Sept 21-Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am  
Speaker Tom

### The Christian's Commitment

As New Testament Christians, we often pride ourselves in our desire to restore the first century church to the best of our ability. As a result of this mission, we assemble to worship each Lord's Day. In our worship, we sing without instrumental accompaniment. We partake of the Lord's Supper each week. We are led spiritually by a plurality of elders. We do these things (along with many more) because Scripture shows they were done in congregations established by the apostles in the first century. Personally, I am thankful for our desire to have such a Christ-focused church.

While this mission often focuses on corporate aspects, it is also important for us to mirror early Christianity on an individual level. In Acts 2, Luke provides us with insight into what daily Christianity looked like for the first 3,000 Christians. As we continually work to restore the first century church, it is my belief that we should put just as much emphasis on the individual's role in the body as we do worship, for example. What, then, do the first Christians teach us about the Christian life?

They committed themselves to learning God's Word. We are told that "they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching" (Acts 2:42a). Being freshly converted from Judaism, these men and women understood the necessity of growing their new faith in Christ. As a result of their commitment, they were in awe of what was being said and done by the apostles (v. 43). May we never lose the desire to grow and be awed by the beauty of God's Word, no matter how long we have been studying it.

They committed themselves to unity. Along with their devotion to study, they also devoted themselves to "the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayers" (v. 42b). "And all who believed were together and had all things in common" (v. 44). They were constantly gathered in some fashion, eating together, praising God, and having favor with all the people (vv. 46-47). May we always understand God's call for unity and the need to be in consistent fellowship with one another.

They committed themselves to sacrificial giving. Luke says, "And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need" (v. 45). While this was, in part, because some of these new Christians were far from home, having recently traveled to Jerusalem for Pentecost, the principle remains vitally important. As stewards of God's blessings, we are called to give generously to bless those around us.

With this commitment to a new way of selfless, familial living, the results became obvious. We are told that "the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved" (v. 47b). The gospel of Jesus was being taught, both by word and example, and many souls were saved as a result. May we live with the same vigor and commitment to the gospel today. God loves you, and so do I.

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

## PRAYER LIST

**Mynda** as she travels. Her Mom is in the rehab. Her **Aunt Donna** and family.  
**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, Mick, Connor.** 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, son **John & wife Becky's** health, great Grand daughter **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 cancer, **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 and very weak.  
**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

about	added	apostles
baptized	bread	came
continued	doctrine	done
every	exhorted	fear
from	generation	gladly
many	need	other
Perverse	prayers	received
saved	saying	signs
souls	testified	that
them	then	they
this	those	thousand
three	upon	were

E S R W E R E W L J B K L C C W D G  
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## Where Is It Found?

Whatever you have learned or  
 received or heard from me, or  
 seen in me —  
 put it into practice.

— Philippians 4:9

## ACTS 2:42-47

42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. 43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. 44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common; 45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. 46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, 47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

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