

Good News From Chardon

Church of Christ

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Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom
Song Leader: Doug
Opening Hymn:
3—Upon The First Day Of The Week
Opening Prayer: Robert
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267—The Love Of God
Scripture Reading: Ryan
Colossians 2:6-10
Hymn:
287—The Lord's Supper
Lord's Supper: Dale
Hymn:
395—Beulah Land
Sermon: Tom
Invitation Hymn:
606—Jesus Paid It All
Closing Hymn:
230—Let The Beauty Of Jesus Be Seen
Closing Prayer: Robert

♪ I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how He could love me,
A sinner, condemned, unclean.
How marvelous! How wonderful!
And my song shall ever be;
How marvelous! How wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me. ♪

CALENDAR

Sept 21-Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom
Sept 26-(b) Margaret
Sept 26-(b) Rob S
Sept 28-Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark
Sept 28-(b) Ryan B
Sept 29-(a) Mark & Debbie

A Fresh Start

With each new year comes the opportunity to better ourselves. Many people are just a few days into their New Year's resolutions. That may mean eating healthier, exercising more, spending more time with family and less time at work, or studying the Bible more. New beginnings are exciting, but for many, the resolutions—and the excitement that goes with them—will not last beyond January. I believe it is fair to say that finding a resolution that is sustainable is just as important as the resolution itself.

Spiritually speaking, Paul talks in detail in Colossians 2 about the beauty of the fresh start that we find in Christ Jesus. Speaking of the death and resurrection experienced upon our baptism, he says, "... having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses" (Colossians 2:12-13).

What a blessing it is to experience death to our old selves and resurrection to new lives in Christ Jesus. You likely remember the feeling of joy and freedom that accompanied your baptism into Christ. There is no greater feeling than a fresh start in Christ! An important consideration we must make, however, is how to sustain that fresh start. The devil undoubtedly works his way back into the lives of newborn Christians as soon as possible. How, then, do we overcome those temptations and remain faithfully committed to Christ?

For some in Paul's Colossian audience, the answer to that question was sheer, human willpower. Some were attempting to remain faithful by regulating their lives according to the Law of Moses. Others were living ascetic lives, stripping themselves of any joys which could potentially lead to sin. To those Christians, Paul taught, "These have indeed an appearance of wisdom in promoting self-made religion and asceticism and severity to the body, but they are of no value in stopping the indulgence of the flesh" (v. 23). So then, if human willpower alone is of no value in stopping sin and remaining faithful, what are we to do?

Paul's message: "If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God" (3:1-3). Christians are called to both new perspectives and new priorities. According to Paul, the way to remain faithful is to begin living my life, spending my time, and focusing my mind on the Lord rather than myself. When I make him the focus of my life, and when I keep my heavenly goal at the forefront of my mind, the things of this world will no longer have the pull they once did. God loves you, and so do I.

Jared Green

Calvert City Church of Christ in Calvert City, KY.

PRAYER LIST

WORD 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

ABOUND	BEWARE	BODY
BUILT	CHRIST	DECEIT
DWELL	FAITH	FULNESS
GODHEAD	HEAD	JESUS
LORD	MEN	PHILOSOPHY
POWER	RECEIVE	ROOTED
SPOIL	TAUGHT	THANKSGIVING
VAIN	WALK	WORLD

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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Answer: Psalm 133:1

Colossians 2:6-10

6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: 7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. 8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. 9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. 10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

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