

# Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024

April 12, 2026

Issue 15

## Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark

Song Leader: Myron

Opening Hymn:

**1A—How Great Thou Art**

Opening Prayer: Tom

Hymn:

**230—Let The Beauty Of Jesus Be Seen**

Scripture Reading: Ryan

Matthew 25;34-40

Hymn:

**286—Olives Brow**

Lord's Supper: Dale

Hymn:

**477—Blessed Assurance**

Sermon: Mark

Invitation Hymn:

**647—Almost Persuaded**

Closing Hymn:

**527-Let The Lower Lights Be Burning**

Closing Prayer: Darryl

♪ I come to the garden alone,  
While the dew is still on the roses;  
And the voice I hear,  
falling on my ear;  
The Son of God discloses,  
And He walks with me,  
and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own,  
And the joy we share  
as we tarry there,

## CALENDAR

Apr 12—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am  
Speaker Mark

Apr 14—(b) Sara

Apr 14—(a) Brendan & Lisa

Apr 16—(b) Eric

Apr 19—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am  
Speaker Mark

Apr 26—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am  
Speaker Tom

## Called to Serve the Needy

Today's Passage: Proverbs 19:17

"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his deed." – Proverbs 19:17 (ESV)

As believers, we are called to help those who are less fortunate than ourselves. This is not a minor suggestion in Scripture, it's a repeated and consistent theme. From the Law and the Prophets to the teachings of Jesus and the early church, we are reminded that caring for the poor reflects the heart of God. Giving to the needy isn't just an act of charity; it's part of what it means to live a Christ-like life.

But this call doesn't mean we are to take on every burden or solve every problem in the world. We are not enslaved to the needs around us. What it does mean is that we remain open, willing, and responsive to the opportunities God puts in front of us. We help as the Lord enables us, trusting that He is the ultimate Provider.

Still, the question arises: Are we free to decide who deserves our help? When we see someone on the street holding a sign that says "hungry," what is our reaction? For many of us, it brings a mix of emotions, compassion, hesitation, maybe even doubt. We begin to ask questions: Will they misuse what I give? Are they being honest? Am I helping or enabling them?

These are real concerns, and they come from a place of wanting to be responsible. But for the Christian, these questions can become distractions from the deeper call. We're not just giving to a person—we're giving to the Lord. Jesus said, "As you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to Me" (Matthew 25:40). That means our acts of kindness, when done in His name, are seen and received by Him.

Even a simple gesture, like offering a meal or a bottle of water, is considered significant in God's eyes. "Whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water... will by no means lose his reward" (Matthew 10:42). It's not about how much we give or whether the recipient "deserves" it—it's about whether our heart is aligned with Christ.

Serving the needy isn't optional. It's part of God's command to love others. Our fears and feelings shouldn't keep us from being generous. We're not called to assess people like the world does, but to see them through the eyes of grace.

Paul praised the church in Thessalonica for their "work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope" (1 Thessalonians 1:3). May we be known for the same, people who give, not out of guilt or pride, but because we love Jesus and want to serve like He did.

Jeff Arnette preaches for the Central Haywood church of Christ,  
Clyde, NC

## PRAYER LIST

**Mynda** as she travels. **Kenny's** health, **Celeste** had a healthy baby boy **Camden** Friday, **Aunt Donna** and family during a difficult time

**Tom & Nina** health, her surgery recovery, She is home, Sister in law **Frances** health, niece **Tanya's** transfer to Tenn. Daughter **Jenny** and family

**Mark** and **Debbie** as they travel. Mark's brother **Dale** health **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** recovering from flu, Nephew **Seth & wife Liz**

**Jim and Beverly G.** health issues. Jim is at VA hospital, Bev is in treatment

**Wayne and Diane G.** with health issues

**Kathy's** healing of foot surgery and health, she is at home, friends Channing, Jimmy & Howard, Kim, Rex, Edard Family, Nick & Emily Family, Sandi & John

**Linda's** health, **Tiffany & family. Christian** seizures, son **John & wife Becky,s** health, great Grand daughter **Dahlia** health. **Ethan's** health

**Belinda's** 5 year old son, **Kwabena**, in Ghana with fever convulsions.

**Zarna** and her family

**Juanita** health. Her family. Nurse's aid **Maddie's** health

**Ray** and **Barbara** and their family.

**Dale's** health issues, headaches, His family. 7 year old girl, **Lucie**, with Leukemia. Cousins, **Randal** physical & mental health, **Jalen's** mental health. Cousin Aleeka

**Ray** health, his family. He is at Chardon Health Care room #203. **Steven and Asher.**

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

**Brenda** heart issues surgery recovery, son **Mark's** heart issues, sister-in-law **Linda,** breast cancer, grand son **Jason** neck disc, granddaughter **Amanda.** brother **Jim** surgery recovery, Friend **Marge** cancer. Great nephew's back injury

**Larry** as he travels

## WORD LIST

BLESSED	BROTHER	CLOTHES
COME	CREATION	DRINK
ETERNAL	FATHER	FEED
GAVE	HELP	HUNGRY
INHERIT	INVITED	KING
KINGDOM	LEAST	LEFT
LIFE	LORD	MINE
PRISON	REPLY	RIGHT
SICK	SISTER	STRANGER
TELL	THIRSTY	VISIT
WORLD		

M Q R U G O W I N P P C Q N M  
V O B E T I R E H N I L M O L  
I W D R G S I C K K I N G I Y  
S S E G D N B R E H T A F T D  
I A I L N L A W C E H L X A E  
T C R S E I J R L O O T Z E T  
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P E F H I O R E G Z T E G Y N  
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S U P S J E B R O T H E R E J  
M V P T O H Y L P E R C L A L  
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### WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

When I am afraid, I put my trust in You

*Answer: Psalm 56:3*

**Matthew 25:34-40** 34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, 36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' 37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' 40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

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