

Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024

July 19, 2026

Issue 28

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom

Song Leader: Doug

Opening Hymn:

50—He Leadeth Me

Opening Prayer: Robert

Hymn:

276—Wonderful Story Of Love

Scripture Reading: Ryan

1 John 4:1-8

Hymn:

300—Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone?

Lord's Supper: Dale

Hymn:

559—Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus

Sermon: Tom

Invitation Hymn:

640—Softly And Tenderly

Closing Hymn:

563—Send The Light

Closing Prayer: Darryl

♪ What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear;
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in pray'r.
O, what peace we often forfeit;
O, what needless pain we bear;
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in pray'r. ♪

CALENDAR

July 19--Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom

July 26--Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom

Aug 2--Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark

Aug 9--Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom

Aug 14—(a) Robert & Sara

Aug 16--Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark

Aug 22—(b) Carole

Unconditional Love

In the Greek, it is the word *agape*, which has nearly become an English word in the world of Biblical studies. The best definition from my finite mind for "unconditional love" is: doing or saying something beneficial for another, expecting nothing in return. It is sacrificial. A better definition is seen by its use in the New Testament. Let's consider also a passage from the Old Testament where the word is absent, but its meaning is exemplified.

First, unconditional love is the essence of God. "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son" (John 3:16). "God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom 5:8). "God is love" (1 John 4:8, 16).

Second, it is expressed by true disciples of Jesus. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another" (John 13:35). "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments" (John 14:15). "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" (Matt 5:44).

Third, it is expected of Christian husbands. "Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them" (Col 3:19). "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it" (Eph 5:25).

Fourth, unconditional love was exemplified in the days of Daniel. Three Hebrew youths, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah (more commonly known by their Babylonian names: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego) were put in roles of leadership in Babylon following Daniel's interpretation of the king's dream (Daniel 2-3). King Nebuchadnezzar erected a statue of gold and made a decree for all to worship the statue (Daniel 3). The three Hebrew youths refused to do so, and so Nebuchadnezzar threatened them with death in a fiery furnace if they continued. Listen to their response to the king: "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up" (Daniel 3:17-18). What a tremendous love and faith these three men had for God. They had faith that he could and would save them from the fiery furnace; however, they loved God so much that they would still be faithful to Him, even if He did not save them from the fiery furnace. Do we love God that much?

He loves us that much, and more. So much more that He sent His only Son to save the world, knowing most of the world would reject Him. The sacrifice has been made. Will we love Him? Certainly, "He first loved us" (1 John 4:19)

Clifton Angel preaches for the
Coldwater Church of Christ in Coldwater, MS

PRAYER LIST

Mynda as she travels. **Kenny's** health, **Celeste** health issue, **Camden** family, **Aunt Donna** and family during a difficult time

Tom & Nina health, her surgery recovery, 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, her sisters surgery recovery

Mary, Carl and family, Nephew **Seth & wife Liz.** Sister in law **Keatha & her sister Kathy** both with cancer

Jim G. health issues.

Wayne and Diane G. with health issues

Kathy is at Maple View Country Villa room 123 , Chardon Currently she is at Hillcrest Hospital to have surgery the 16th on her Left foot toes. Cards appreciated.

Linda's health, **Tiffany's family** as they mourn the death of her son **Brenden.** **Christian** seizures, son **John & wife Becky,s** health, great Granddaughter **Dahlia** health. **Ethan's** health

Zarna and her family

Juanita health. She has been ill. Her family. Nurse's aid **Maddie's** health

Ray and **Barbara** and their family.

Dale's health issues, headaches, His family. Brother **Chris** blood pressusre, 7 year old girl, **Lucie,** with Leuke mia. Cousins, **Randal** physical & mental health, **Jalen's** mental health. Cousins **Aleeka & Toni** healthy bodies & minds. **Mother's** grief comfort

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

Robert & Sara, his sister **Terra's** health issue, Son **Michael,** Daughter **Maddie,** Sara's father **Jeff & mother Connie's** health, Friend **Allie** with multiple cancer

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

Carol & Myron, his health and legs

Tim K. upcoming heart procedure

WORD LIST

AGAPE	ANOTHER	ANTICHRIST
BELIEVE	BIBLE	BORN
CHILDREN	CHRIST	CHURCH
COMMAND	CONFESS	CURSE
ERROR	EVERYONE	FALSE
FLESH	GOD	GREATER
GREEK	HEARD	JESUS
KNOW	LOVE	OVERCOME
PROPHETS	SINNERS	SPEAK
SPIRIT	TRUTH	WORLD

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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

Answer: Galatians 5:22-23

1 John 4:1-8 1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. 2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: 3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. 4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. 5 They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. 6 We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error. 7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. 8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

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

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