Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

128 Maple Ave., Chardon, Oh 44024 October 26, 2025 Issue 43

Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom
Song Leader: Dale
Opening Hymn:

274-A—Jesus Loves Me Opening Prayer: Robert

Hymn:

578—This Is My Father's World

Scripture Reading: Ryan Matthew 5:43-48

Hymn:

649—I Gave My Life For Thee

Lord's Supper: Myron

Hymn:

77—Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Sermon: Tom Invitation Hymn:

613—Are You Washed In The Blood

Closing Hymn:

655—God Be With You Closing Prayer: Ryan

☐There's a stranger at the door, Let Him in;
He has been there oft before, Let Him in;
Let Him in, ere He is gone,
Let Him in, the Holy One,
Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, Let Him in.
Now admit the heav'nly Guest, Let Him in;
He will make for you a feast, Let Him in;
He will speak your sins forgiv'n,
And when earth ties all are riv'n,

CALENDAR

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

Oct 27-(b) Gary

Oct 28-(b) Larry

Nov 2---Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom

Nov 8—(b) Linda Nov 8—(b) Debbie

God is Love (Part 4)

If you have followed along with our "God is LOVE" article series, you know that we skipped the letter "O" in our acronym. Truly, "God is love" (1 John 4:8, 16). With the word "love" as an acronym, we have noted that God, Who is Love, is long-suffering, vicarious, and everlasting. We purposely saved the "O" for the end because of its application to us. God, Who is Love, is obliging.

In the classic sitcom "Wanted: Dead or Alive," Steve McQueen plays the character Josh Randall, who is a horse-back-riding, sawed-off-rifle-carrying, bounty hunter. In the show, he would often say to someone who helped him: "Much obliged to ya!" Randall implied that he was grateful and indebted to his helpers. God's nature of love obliges us to have the same love. "The love of Christ constraineth us" (2 Cor 5:14).

We are obligated to love God. "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous" (1 John 5:3). Jesus said, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments" (John 14:15, ASV).

We are obligated to love our Christian brethren. "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. ... Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. ... If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" (1 John 4:7–8, 11, 20).

And perhaps the most difficult, yet the most illustrative nature of this love, is that we are obligated to love our enemies. "For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life" (Rom 5:10). Jesus said, "But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind

unto the unthankful and to the evil" (Luke 6:35). Similarly, Matthew recorded Jesus' words in this manner: "Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, 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; That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust" (Matt 5:43–45).

God, Who is LOVE, is long-suffering, obliging, vicarious, and everlasting. Do you know Him? Do you love like Him?

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

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, Nephew Aaron

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, friend
Amber, difficult pregnancy of niece

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. 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 Johston surgery recovery. Uncle Jimmy stroke.

Ray's health and his family. Steven and Asher. Rebecca is under Hospice care.

Pat and her family

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

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

Larry as he heals from his accident, pacemaker

Doug's mother, Virginia, as she heals

Betty's sister in law Nancy-stroke. Son Randy broken foot, niece Kelly with brain tumor

WORD LIST

BROTHER

DESPITE

BLESS

CHILDREN CURSE

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WHERE IS IT WRITTEN?

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Answer: Psalm 51:12

Matthew 5:43-48

43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. 44 But I say unto you, 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; 45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? 47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so? 48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

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