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Schedule of Services

- We have the privilege this Sunday at 10:00 of assembling together in the auditorium to worship God!

Elders

- Mike Ernstberger
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- James Pigg
270-759-2145 Home
270-293-2319 Cell

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- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison
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Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David Nance, and Ronnie Gootam
McKenzie, TN—Paul Jones

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THE CHURCH OF CHRIST *By Jonnie Hutchison*

The term “church of Christ” does not refer to a religious denomination. It is not a title such as the “Baptist Church” or the “Catholic Church.” It is simply a phrase that means the church that belongs to Jesus Christ. That is why such phrases as “church of Christ preachers” and “I am church of Christ” are improper.

Jesus said, “...I will build My church....” (Matthew 16:18). Before Acts 2 the Bible speaks of the church only in the future tense. In Acts 2 and following the church is spoken of in the present tense. The conclusion: Jesus fulfilled this promise to build His church on the first Jewish Pentecost following His resurrection from the dead and His ascension into heaven (Acts 1:9-11; Acts 2:1ff; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11).

Jesus is the one and only Head of His church. “*And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the*

firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence (Colossians 1:18). The church of Christ is not a democracy but a monarchy with Jesus Christ reigning as “*the only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords*” (1 Timothy 6:15). Jesus does not share His Headship with any mortal man or group of mortal men. He alone rules over His spiritual kingdom which is His church.

The church that belongs to Jesus has no centralized earthly headquarters, religious hierarchy or organization beyond the local congregation. Each congregation of the Lord’s church is self-governing with qualified elders who serve the church as pastors and overseers ruling in matters of expediency and qualified deacons who function as special servants of the congregation (Acts 4:23; 20:17, 28; 1 Timothy 3:1ff; Titus 1:5ff). Elders serve as shepherds

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members: Remember Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Ann Thompson and Carolyn Byars. Family and Friends: Jenne Pool, Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Jim Hutson, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster, Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, Pat Hocking, Sandra Cook Downs and David Laster. Please continue to pray for each of these and for those tending to their needs as well as the leaders of our nation in this time of crisis.

- **WORSHIP UPDATE:** As the pandemic continues in our nation and cases seem to be increasing, we will continue to meet each Sunday morning for worship at 10:00 am. All other services are suspended until further notice.
- **AREA EVENTS:** Gospel Meeting at the Dexter church of Christ, July 26 - 29, 2020 with Luke Puckett preaching. Services are at 9:30 am and 7:30 pm on Sunday and 7:00 pm Monday-Wednesday.
- **PANTRY ITEMS July 2020: 5—Green Peas; 12—Jelly; 19—Spinach; 26—Tuna.** Please bring any additional items you wish for the “blessing box” which is located next to the breezeway on the north side of the building.
- **See our Facebook page** for announcements, updates and articles. Access to past editions of this bulletin are available on our website at <http://greenplainchurchofchrist.org>.
- **Mission Work:** Please continue to pray for the preachers this congregation is supporting in India and for Ronnie Gootan, David Nance, Mike Kiser, Arnold Gerson and Paul Jones in their respective works.
- **July 2020 Anniversaries:** none **Birthdays:** 7th—Chad Canter; 18th—Hayes Grady; 30th—Jim Lowrie. If we have left anyone out please let us know.
- **We offer FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES through the mail. If you would like to enroll in one of these courses send your name and complete mailing address to Green Plain church of Christ—3980 Murray Paris Road—Hazel, KY 42049. You may also call 270-492-8206 and leave a message with your information on our answering machine. We pay all postage and there is no obligation on your part. If you would like to enroll another person please see Peggy Jarvis.**

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<http://searchtv.org/>



BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

This Week: From what passage was the Ethiopian Eunuch reading when Philip approached his chariot?

Last Week: How did Jesus explain why He spoke in parables?

Answer: "Because it has been given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given." (Matthew 13:11)

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guarding, feeding and disciplining the flock under their oversight (Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:2-4).

No one can “join” the church of Christ as they would “join” a civic organization or religious denomination. No one is “voted” into the Lord’s church. In stead the Lord adds to His church those who meet His terms of entrance. These terms are the same for every generation this side of the cross. They do not change with the passing of time nor are they ever outdated. One who hears the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ, believes that He is the Son of God, repents of sin, confesses faith in Christ and is immersed in water, into the death of Jesus Christ, is washed of his sins in His precious blood and is added by the Lord to the church of Christ (Romans 10:13-17; Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:37-47; 17:30-31; 22:16; Romans 6:3-5; Galatians 3:26-27). Salvation is only granted on the Lord’s terms for He has all authority in heaven and in earth (Matthew 28:18-20).

All spiritual blessings are found in Christ (Ephesians 1:3). To be “in Christ” is equivalent to being in His church. In writing to the church in Corinth, the apostle Paul declared, “*To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:*” (1

Corinthians 1:2).

Jesus Christ will at the time appointed by God the Father return to take His church to inhabit the mansions He has prepared for those who love Him (John 14:1-3) This is the hope of every faithful member of the church of Christ and the promise of the Lord. “*And this is the promise that He has promised us — eternal life*” . (1 John 2:25). Those who fight the good fight of faith, keep the faith and successfully run the race, ever staying on course, will receive this “crown of righteousness” (2 Timothy 4:7-8). The book of James assures us, “*Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him*” (James 1:12).

The one and only church of Christ not only exists today, but is constantly pleasing for a return to the original pattern revealed in the New Testament. You can be a member of that original church that Jesus promised and built by obeying the original terms of entrance given by our Lord, allowing Him to add you to His church and then living as His faithful servant all the days of your life las you look forward to His coming with confidence. “*Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world*” (1 John 4:17).



Psalms 55:22

**“Cast your burden on the Lord,
And He shall sustain you;
He shall never permit the
righteous to be moved.”**



COME VISIT WITH US

The church building is located southeast of Murray one mile off highway 641 - Near the corner of the Green Plain and Murray Paris Roads. We look forward to seeing you!

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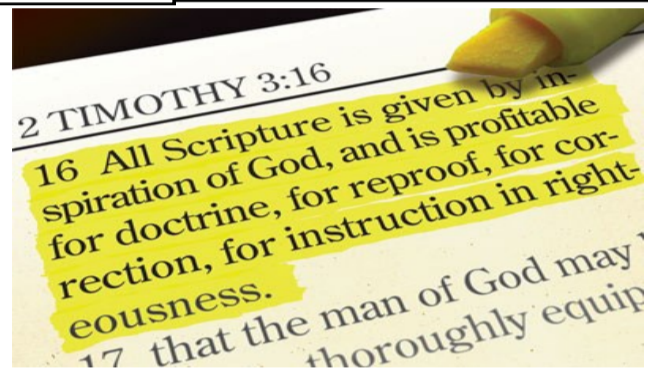
SUNDAY'S SERMON

"What the Lord's Supper Means to Us"

10:00 AM

Assemble in the Auditorium

Remember to practice social distancing



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HEAR the gospel of Christ—Romans 10:13-17

BELIEVE Jesus Christ is the Son of God—John 8:24

REPENT of your sins—Acts 17:30-31

CONFESS your faith in Christ—Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

BE IMMERSED in water into His death where the blood is applied and sins are washed away—Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Romans 6:3-5; Revelation 1:5b

BE FAITHFUL even in the face of death—Revelation 2:10