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## Schedule of Services

- Sunday  
Bible Classes  
10:00 am  
Morning Worship  
10:45 am  
Evening Worship  
6:00 pm
- Wednesday  
Bible Classes 7:00 pm

## Elders

- Mike Ernstberger  
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- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
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## A MOTHER'S DAY By Aaron Beard

Mothers of faith instill faith in their children and are praised by God for their godly service (2 Tim. 1:5). As we honor our mothers today, please notice some of the things with which a mother's day ought to be filled.

### A mother's day is...

**...a day of joy.** The day of giving birth to new life is a great day of joy and gladness (Jno. 16:21). Yet, even while motherhood brings joy it is also attended with sorrow. Mary, the mother of Jesus, had great sorrow as she witnessed her son Jesus being horribly mistreated (Lk. 2:34-35).

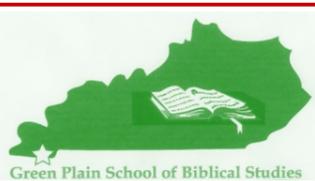
**...a day of love.** Godly mothers seek the welfare of her children before herself. She "watches over the ways of her household" with love (Prov. 31:27). Blessed is the family whose mother wraps her children in the security of warm affection and constant care (Titus 2:4).

**...a day of instruction.** Mothers are daily teachers of the next generation. Her words, values and character are instilled in the hearts and lives of her children. Mothers, be careful to teach your children "with wisdom" and the "law of kindness" (Prov. 31:26).

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## NEWS AND NOTES

- **WELCOME VISITORS:** If you are visiting with us today we want to express our appreciation for your presence. It is our hope that you will feel welcome and have a desire to return and be with us again. If you have any questions please ask them and we will do our best to give you a Bible answer.
- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** **Green Plain members:** Paul Brandon Lori Brandon , Jim Fielder, Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Will Ed Travis , Mary Crutchfield Dean Crutchfield, Katelyn and Vickie Canter, Tina Wyatt, Joanne Barnes. Frank Towery, Maxine Pool, Nancy Meacham, Hayes Grady, Mike Ernstberger, London Smith and Carolyn Bryars. **Family and Friends:** Betty Pond, Harry Lovett, Kenneth Mizell, Will and Nancy Winchester, Lora Pettigrew, Nancy Flowers, Nolan Murray, Tina Adams, Kristen Scott, Robin Pera, Marilyn Machado, Brittany Jackson Jaclyn Jillion. Les Kiser. Mike Kiser, Debra Galloway, Naomi Pigg, Byron White, Mark Hatcher, Karen Burkhart, Ken Holt , Meredith Enoch, Fred Watkins, Anna Arrant, Annette Mason, Cynthia Kearbey, Garneida Parker, Lonnell Parker, Ruthie Parker, Gale Worley, Walter Bryars Ann Workman , Noleen Shivel and Gary Parker. If you know of those who need to be added or removed from our prayer list please let us know.
- **LOCAL EVENTS:** School of Biblical Studies continues each Monday evening at 7:00 pm. This years VBS is scheduled for June 11-13,. Coming August 18, 2018 a one day lectureship will be held with the themes of "Golden Ways for Golden Days."
- **Pantry items for May** . 6—Paper Towels; 13—Peanut Butter 20—Bath Soap; 27—Pickles
- Please remember our **snacks for the hospital program** and place your items in the baskets in the lobby.
- **PASS IT ON!** When you have finished reading this bulletin, why not pass it on to a loved one, friend or neighbor. Use this as a tool to spread the gospel. Or, pick up extra copies to hand or mail to others.
- **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>.
- **India Work:** Please continue to pray for the preachers this congregation is supporting in India and for Dale Foster as he continues in that work. Reports of the work in India are located on the bulletin board in the auditorium.
- Look for our newspaper article on the worship page of the Murray Times and Ledger each Saturday.
- The evidence for the existence of God is found not only in the Bible, but all around us in the natural world. The Psalmist was right when he wrote, "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork" (Psalm 19:1). The obvious elements of design in this material universe speaks to a great Designer. The Bible reveals who that great Designer is. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" (Genesis 1:1).



### Green Plain School of Biblical Studies

Each consecutive Monday  
**April 23– May 28**  
7:00—9:00 pm in the Annex

Proverbs—Jack Phillips  
2 Kings—Chris Lyden



### LESSONS TODAY

**Sunday AM**

**"Mary—the Mother of Jesus"**

**Sunday PM**

**"The Man Noah—2"**  
**Noah was more than just a  
man who built an ark!**

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**...a day of devotion.** Hannah devoted herself to giving her son Samuel to the Lord (1 Sam. 1:11, 22, 27-28). Your children will not be Christians by accident. Mothers, you have a tremendous part in the faith of your

children. If you are not devoted to God it is unlikely your children will be. Set them a godly example every day. They will “rise up and call (you) blessed” (Prov. 31:28).

- <http://trussvillechurchofchrist.com/index.php/bible-study/articles/121-a-mothers-day>

## **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY** *By Kevin Cauley*

Today is the day that we know and celebrate as Mother's Day. It is the one time out of the year that we set aside a day to remember and honor our mothers. More telephone calls home are made today than any other day of the year. Many will be taking their mother someplace special to eat. Children will give their mothers gifts and bid them joy and happiness.

There are others whose mothers have passed from this life to the next. While these mothers are not around for us to personally enjoy, we can certainly relish the memories that we have of their example, instruction, and love. Some will, perhaps, visit the grave of their mother. Others may simply quietly reflect upon their mother's life. However we celebrate Mother's Day, the good mother will always hold a special place within our hearts.

We cannot, however, be so naïve as to think that all mothers are good mothers. Sadly, there are some out there who will look upon Mother's Day with disdain, shame, and disgrace because their mothers were less than adequate. We look around society today and see some mothers who are addicted to drugs, others who beat and abuse their children, yet others who obtain abortions and we wonder how someone could so act. The Bible calls it being “without natural affection” (Romans 1:31, 2 Timothy 3:3). More than ever, we need Mother's Day as a day to not only honor and remember our mothers, but as a day to set forth the example for what a good mother ought to be.

Another troubling aspect to our society is the desire of some to elevate motherhood to the only parental place in the world. Believe it or not, scientists are pursuing the means whereby a woman can procreate independently of a man. These type projects have the support of the radical feminist and lesbian groups. Some see no need for men in society at all. And if you don't think that this is what some desire, there was a made for TV movie not too many years ago in which men were outlawed. Yes, there is a radical element in our nation that would change motherhood from what we know to be a beautiful creation of God into something bizarre and frankensteinian.

The Bible tells us of that beautiful mother who knows the importance of her relationship with her husband and honors it. She seeks godliness in her life so that she can rear her children to honor God in their lives as well. She respects God's institution of marriage and is faithful no matter what difficulties and burdens may come her way. She knows that there is no quick and easy path through life, but that which the Lord provides for her through His guidance (Matthew 11:30).

So on this Mother's Day, let us remember and know what a true mother is and never seek to change God's pattern for a good mother. Instead, let us proclaim without embarrassment, God's plan for motherhood.

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**COME VISIT WITH US**

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- ★ One must hear the Word!  
★ Rom. 10:17
- ★ One must believe in Jesus!  
★ Jn. 8:24; Heb. 11:6
- ★ One must repent of sin!  
★ Lk. 3:3,5; Act. 17:30-31
- ★ One must confess Christ!  
★ Mt. 10:32-33; Act. 8:37
- ★ One must be baptized into Christ!  
★ Mt. 28:19; Mk. 16:16; Act. 2:38; 22:16

**THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE****May 2018**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Chad Canter  
**PRESIDE AT THE LORD'S TABLE**  
AM: Bobby Hall & Jim Lowrie  
Substitute: James Pigg

**ASSIST AT THE LORD'S TABLE:**  
AM: Roy Wyatt & Shaun Fuqua  
Substitute: Jesse Vincent

**Sunday PM**

6—Bobby Hall  
13—Jim Lowrie  
20—Bobby Hall  
27—Jim Lowrie

**OPENING PRAYER:**

6—James Pigg  
13—Mike Ernstberger  
20—Hayes Grady  
27—Preston Barrett

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

6—Jesse Vincent  
13—Larry Enoch  
20—Dave Thompson  
27—Charles Enoch

**COUNT CONTRIBUTION:**

Roy & Shaun

**COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS**

Peyton & Lo9ndon

**SONG LEADERS:**

Sunday Morning: Charles Enoch  
Sunday Evening: Chad Canter  
Wednesday: Perry Jarvis  
Substitute: Larry Enoch

**USHER:** Jesse Vincent**Lawn Care:** Jesse Vincent

If you are unable to serve, please  
contact Chad Canter at 270-873-7509

**Thank YOU For Serving!!**