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Schedule of Services

- Bible Classes 10 am
- Worship 10:50 am
and 6:00 pm
- Wednesday Bible
Study 7:00 pm

Elders

- Mike Ernstberger
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THE DEVIL'S "FIELD DAY" *By Jonnie Hutchison*

The Bible describes the devil as *"a roaring lion, walking about, seeking whom he may devour"* and warns us to be *"sober, be vigilant"* concerning this very real threat to our spiritual welfare (1 Peter 5:8). The devil's one goal is to lead as many as he can away from the salvation which is provided through Jesus, to exist eternally with him in hell. So far, the devil is having a "field day" which, by definition, is "an opportunity for action, success, or excitement, **especially at the expense of others.**"

Sadly, the inspired statement of John is as true today as when first penned— *"We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one"* (1 John 5:19). The devil has deceived and continues to deceive the majority of the people in this world. Immorality of all kinds, including adultery, fornication, homosexuality, and pornography, is pervasive and openly accepted by the majority of people. Innocent children and young people are being denied the truth about these matters and will continue to embrace them well into the future. **And the devil is having a "field day!"**

Jesus prayed that all who would believe on Him through the word of His chosen apostles would **"be one"** as He and the Father are one (John 17:20-21). Yet, the devil has been extremely successful in destroying this unity through denominationalism, religious cults, paganism and other false religions. The devil would have people to believe that "one church or religion is as good as another," that all should just "agree to disagree" and that as long as one sincerely believes he is pleasing God, regardless of what the Bible teaches, he will be saved. **And the devil is having a "field day."**

Even though Jesus taught, *"You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free"* (John 8:32), the devil has advanced the idea that there is no such thing as absolute truth, that all truth is relative and what is truth to me may not be truth to you. Why would the devil want us to accept his idea of no absolute truth? He is afraid of the truth. He knows God's truth has the power to save our souls and he does not want that at all (See 1 Peter 1:22-23).

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *Green Plain members:* Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Carolyn Byars, and Mary and Jim Lowrie.

Family and Friends: Helen Tidwell, Jenne Pool, Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Janice Canter, Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, Sandra Cook Downs, Kevin Smith, Dale Pentecost, Jaime Aguavo, Jr., Brett Wyatt, Lucetria Hutchison and Kerry Thompson. Please let us know of those who have improved or any one who needs to be added to this list..

- **PANTRY ITEMS June 2021:** 6—Canned Meats; 13—Pork-n-Beans; 20—Canned Carrots; 27—Soups. 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.
- **AREA EVENTS:** The Coldwater church of Christ will host a Vacation Bible School for all ages including adults on Saturday, June 12 beginning at 9:00 am.
- **June 2021 Anniversaries:** 1-Peggy & Perry Jarvis; 17-Jan & James Pigg; 25-Mary & Jim Lowrie. **Birthdays:** 10-Griselda Adams; If we have left anyone out please let us know.
- **Study the Bible in Your Own Home.** Enroll in a Completely **Free Bible Correspondence Course.** Send your name, complete mailing address and phone number to: Green Plain church of Christ—3980 Murray Paris Road—Hazel, KY 42049 or enroll online at <http://greenplainchurchofchrist.org> or email greenplain@greenplainchurchofchrist.org.



Wednesday
7:00 PM
Study of Titus

ONLINE SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

Gospel Broadcasting Network
<https://gbntv.org/>

World Video Bible School
<https://store.wvbs.org/wvbs-splashpage.html>

A Bible Answer
<https://abibleanswertv.org/>

Good News Today
<http://gnttv.org/>

In Search of the Lord's Way
<http://searchtv.org/>



TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: “Jesus—King of kings”

PM: Eli Sales will deliver the evening lesson

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Sadly, a great many, including many with great influence over others (religious leaders, politicians, professors, teachers, media outlets, etc.), has fallen for the devil's error hook, line and sinker and **the devil is having a "field day!"**

Christians, those who have been added by the Lord to His church (Acts 2:38-47), are not free from the devil's efforts to lead them away from the Lord. The writer of Hebrews warned, "*Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God*" (Hebrews 3:12). Such departure from the Lord may involve a gradual process which eventually results in full-fledged apostasy. The devil knows the deceptive nature of sin and knows how to use it to his advantage. He did that with Eve in the garden of Eden appealing to the "*lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life*" (Genesis 3:1ff; 1 John 2:15-17). If the devil can deceive us into believing that pleasing oneself is more important than pleasing God, then he has us just where he wants us. If he can convince us that our worship and service is unimportant and deserves only secondary status at best, then we have already relinquished ourselves to his control once again. We are like the dog who has returned to his own vomit and the pig that was once clean wallowing in the mud again (2 Peter 2:20-22). Only God knows the number of Christians today who have departed from the

faith having loved this present world (1 Timothy 4:10). But each time a Christian departs, **the devil has a "field day"**

The devil is relentless in his efforts to deceive every person in this world. At the present it seems he is having a "field day." But it is not always so. Every time some precious soul hears and obeys the gospel, the devil is defeated. Every time a faithful child of God stands firm for the truth, the devil is defeated. Every time a temptation is rejected, the devil is defeated. Every time the church engages in heart-felt scriptural worship, the devil is defeated. Every time a needy person is helped by the Lord's people, the devil is defeated. Every time faithful brothers and sisters in Christ encourage and edify one another, the devil is defeated. Every time an erring Christian is repents and returns to the Lord, the devil is defeated. Every time a faithful Christian departs from this life, the devil is defeated.

Ultimately, the devil's "field day" will come to an eternal end. "*The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever*" (Revelation 20:10). The devil is the very embodiment of the classic loser! His defeat and punishment are inevitable! Dear reader, don't let the devil have a "field day" with your eternal soul. "***Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you***" James 4:7).

FINDING PEACE IN THE STORMS OF LIFE

By Mike Riley

During a terrible storm on the ocean, a small passenger ship rolled precariously in the roaring tempest. The furniture and anything else that could move was tied down, and the passengers were confined to their bunks for their own safety. Many on board

thought the vessel was doomed.

Finally, a passenger who was determined to find out if there was any hope for survival, set out to see the one who was in

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command. Clinging to the walls and hand-rails, he made his way to the wave-lashed deck, up a ladder, and into the wheelhouse. He noticed that the ship was nearing land and was between some jagged rocks. It became apparent that the captain was trying to reach the safety of a calm bay up ahead. Knowing he could not make himself heard above the roar of the wind and waves, the captain just turned wordlessly to the worried passenger and smiled. Reassured, the man returned to the others and said, "Don't be afraid. All is well. I've seen the captain's face, and he smiled!"

When we are battered by the storms of life, we may be tempted to give in to feelings of hopelessness. But if we will look to our sovereign Captain (Hebrews 2:10 KJV) and commit our way to Him ([Psalm 37:5](#)), we will find peace even in the midst of great tur-

moil. We can trust Him to bring us through the storm (Mark 4:36-41).

*Master, with anguish of spirit
 I bow in my grief today;
 The depths of my sad heart are troubled;
 O waken and save, I pray!*

*Torrents of sin and of anguish
 Sweep o'er my sinking soul!
 And I perish! I perish, dear Master;
 O hasten, and take control!*

*The winds and the waves shall
 obey Thy will, Peace be still!
 Whether the wrath of the storm-tossed sea,
 Or demons, or men, or whatever it be,
 No water can swallow the ship where lies,
 The Master of ocean and earth and skies;
 They all shall sweetly obey Thy will,
 Peace be still! Peace be still! —Palmer*

THOSE TO SERVE JUNE 2021

Announcements: Chad Canter

Lord's Supper: James Pigg & Chad Canter

Lord's Supper PM 6-James Pigg; 13-Chad Canter; 20-James Pigg; 27-Chad Canter

Opening Prayer AM: 6-Jim Lowrie; 13-Mike Ernestberger; 20-Jonnie Hutchison 27-Bobby Hall.

Closing Prayer PM: 6-Jesse Vincent; 13-Junior Morris; 20-David Thompson; 27-Perry Jarvis

Song Leaders: AM-Charles Enoch; PM- Chad Canter; **Wednesday**-Mike Ernstberger

Usher: Jesse Vincent;

Count Contribution: James Pigg & Chad Canter