

Those Privileged to Serve

May 14th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. B. Richardson, M. Wages

Announcements: Mike Wages

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture: Darrell Cunningham

Opening Prayer: Joe Venable

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Jeff Lewis

Communion:

F. Kidder, C. Richardson, J. Cogdell
C. Kidder, L. Merritt, J. Orr

Greet: Freeman & Shelia Kidder

Nursery Att: A.M. Loretta Shaw
P.M. Bonita Staggs

May 14th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Tommy Williams

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Communion:

Marion Thomas, Walt Ferguson

May 17th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Joe Venable

Devotional: Ken Ross

Closing Prayer: James Eddleman

May 21st - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. J. Lewis, J. Smith

Announcements: Mike Wages

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture: Eddie Anderson

Opening Prayer: Gaylon Cooper

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Joe Venable

Communion:

F. Kidder, C. Richardson, J. Cogdell
C. Kidder, L. Merritt, J. Orr

Greet: James & Jeanette Morris

Nursery Att: A.M. Carol Swader
P.M. Faye Venable

May 21st - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer: Carleton Kidder

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Communion:

Marion Thomas, Walt Ferguson

May 24th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer: Ray Pack

Devotional: Freeman Kidder

Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas

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Happy Mother's Day 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 naive 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.

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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When a farmer stops plowing his land, stops planting any seed, stops cultivating the plants and stops harvesting, he has stopped being a farmer.

When a Christian stops attending worship, stops giving, stops studying, stops taking the Lord's Supper; stops praying and working for the Lord, he has stopped being a Christian; because he has ceased doing those things that made him a Christian.

Has your personal "north 40" been barren lately? Take a few minutes and evaluate the soul of your life; find out what is missing. Make a commitment today to "put your hand to the plow" and endeavor to produce fruits for the Lord. Any journey begins with one step. Growing in the Lord begins with a step of commitment and following through, whether it be coming back to services, getting involved in a ministry, reaching out to someone by spending time with them, or rejuvenating your prayer life/Bible study time.

You do not have to work alone - there are many brothers and sisters willing to help you "stay in the furrow." Give someone a call today!

Sunday Sermons

AM - Magnificent Mothers - Ephesians 6:1-3
PM - From the Cross to the Crown 5 - 1 Peter 5

Congregational News and Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold and Doris Davis,
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Jean Harber, Rachel Epperson,
Ted Lingren, Billy Landers,
Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Iva Hopper, Tom Crow,
Bill and Gladys Gowan,
Freeman Kidder, Doug Crouse,
Shirley Puckett, Margie Montgomery,
Margie Whitehead

Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Tim Boyd,
Al Stewart, Ruth Cox,
Judy Jennings, Raymond Cagle,
Beverly Martindale,
John Charles Lessenberry

Cards to Send This Week

Rachel Epperson
37 Southside Drive
Jackson, TN 38301

Brooxie Carnal
516 Parkburg Road
Jackson, TN 38301

Billy Landers
125 Pope Road
Medon, TN 38356

Memorial Gift

A anonymous memorial gift has been given in honor of Jerry Henings.

Happenings

South Jackson

5/21

Men's Business Meeting at 3:30 PM

The Forrest Cove Devotional
scheduled for May 28th has been
canceled

6/18-6/22

Vacation Bible School

Area Events

Numerous area events are posted on
the bulletin board.

Pantry Item

Condensed Soup

