

THOSE TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS – March 27, 2016

Front Door – Ricky and Tina Smith
 West Door – Billy and Donna Helton
 East Door – Reggie and Pam Holt

AUDITORIUM CLASS PRAYER.....Brent Thomas

MORNING WORSHIP – March 27

OPENING PRAYER.....Tony Allen

PRESIDE AT TABLE.....Randy Britton and Shane Hughes

SERVE AT TABLE

Tim Hendrix.....Steve Sisk
 Ricky Smith.....Chris Sockwell
 Larry Pope.....Jeff Smith

USHERS

J.W. Dotson, Tim Miller
 Joseph Miele, Biff Helton

CLOSING PRAYER.....Olen Springer

*If you cannot serve on Sunday morning,
 please call Reggie Holt at 629-8920 or Ricky Smith at 244-5982.*

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE – March 27

Ushers.....Jim Donnelly and Kenneth Kidd
 Front Door Greeters.....Kaleb Jeans and DeAnna Thigpen
 Scripture Reading, Mark 11:20-26.....Tony Parrish
 Lead Prayer.....Danny Tice
 Closing Prayer.....Mark Miller
 Communion & Contribution.....Billy Helton III
*If you cannot serve on Sunday evening, please call Eric Nutt at 242-3566
 or Jeremy Gargis at 231-9557.*

The elders ask that our Bible readings come from the King James Version, the New King James Version, or the English Standard Version.

WEDNESDAY EVENING – March 30, 2016

Scripture Reading, Isaiah 35:5-10.....Reggie Holt
 Lead Prayer.....Scott Harris
 Closing Prayer.....Jeremy Gargis
If you cannot serve on Wednesday, please call Reggie Holt at 629-8920.

VAN DRIVERS FOR March 27 and 30

Call the driver listed below if you won't be riding the van.

SUNDAY MORNING Tim Miller: 244-6113.

SUNDAY EVENING NO VAN RUNS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING Tim Hammond: 852-4832.

If you cannot drive the van, please contact Scott Harris at 629-5994.

PROJECTOR OPERATORS FOR March 27 and 30

SUNDAY MORNING.....Shayne Adams

SUNDAY EVENING.....Tim Hammond

WEDNESDAY EVENING.....Jacob Cothren

SERVING THROUGHOUT MARCH

Baptismal Clothes.....Jan Clifton and Theresa Brown

Auditorium Class Song Leader.....Reggie Holt

Sunday Morning Song Leader.....Eric Nutt

Sunday Evening Song Leader.....Jeremy Gargis

Wednesday Evening Song Leader.....Joe Cook

Prepare Communion.....Natalie Haislip and Jami Dixon

Pick Up Cups.....James and Betty Weeks

March 9 and March 13

Mid-Week Bible Study.....163
 Sunday Morning Bible Study.....238
 Sunday Morning Worship.....354
 Sunday Evening Worship.....197
 Contribution (Budget \$9,661).....\$10,590.70
 (Average through February).....\$9,353.50

Pulaski Street Church of Christ
 247 Pulaski Street
 Lawrenceburg, TN 38464

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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:25 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.*
 Wednesday night.....7:00 p.m.
 (*Each 4th and 5th Sunday evening service is at 1 p.m.)

SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES

◆ On WDXE AM 1370/FM 102.5 ◆ 12:45 p.m. ◆ Monday – Friday ◆
 The upcoming week of March 21 – March 25 will be hosted
 by the **COUNTY LINE** Church of Christ.

PANTRY LIST

instant potatoes/8 oz. pkg.
rice/1 lb. bag **crackers**/1 lb. box
macaroni & cheese/7.25 oz. box
quick oats/18 or 42 oz. **OR** boxes of individual packets
dried beans/1 lb. bag **ramen noodles**/3 oz. pkg.
 cans of: **tuna**/6 oz. **Vienna sausage**/5 oz. **salmon**/ 15 oz.
SpaghettiOs, ravioli, etc./15 oz. can
fruit or vegetable juice/46 oz. can or bottle
peanut butter/18 oz. jar **soup**/10.5 oz. can
canned vegetables/14.5 oz. can...
 (corn, green beans, peas, baked beans, pork & beans, etc.)
canned fruit/15 ¾ oz. (peach, pear, etc.)
canned meat/12-24 oz. (Spam, Treet, Chicken, etc.)
jelly, jam, or preserves/18-32 oz. jar

*Monetary contributions are always welcome!
 Make check payable to Pulaski Street Church of Christ,
 and please indicate "PANTRY" on the memo line.*

Thank you!

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God, Sin, Hell, and the Flu

Like many in our community, I was recently diagnosed with the flu. Within two days of the diagnosis, the flu joined hands with a severe sinus infection to wreak havoc in my body. I was absolutely miserable. I'm feeling much better now, but while I was sick, several thoughts occurred to me.

My sickness reminded me that this world—the environment in which we live—is not what God intended it to be (Gen. 1—3). A significant change took place in the environment when Adam and Eve sinned. Disease and death came rushing in after Adam and Eve failed. When I was sick, it reminded me in a rather tangible way of what we all lost in the beginning as a result of sin.

My sickness reminded me of how weak, frail, and powerless I really am, especially when compared to God. I could barely walk or talk. In fact, it was a chore to lift up my head for a sip of water. In Isaiah 40:28, we read: "Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary. . . ." We get weary. We get weak. We get sick. God doesn't get weary, weak, or sick. When I was sick, it reminded me that I am truly dependent on God. He is a rock, and I am dust.

My sickness reminded me of the alienation that sin causes. My wife, my children, and even my parents took great care of me, but for the most part, they were forced to minimize their contact with me. For about a week, I could not embrace my wife or children. On one occasion, my two-year-old son placed his little head on my forearm as if to say, "Get better soon, Daddy, so we can play together." Alienation is painful. I thought of how God must feel to be alienated from those He created and desires to redeem. I also thought about how the flu serves as a little taste of the horrors of hell. If hell were nothing more than an eternal experience of the flu, I would not want to go there. But hell is worse than an eternity of experiencing the flu. It is a place where God is nowhere to be found (Matt. 25:41; 2 Thess. 1:9). Hell is the supreme alienation.

Besides these sobering thoughts, you will be glad to know that I also had some hopeful ones. While my sickness did remind that this world is not what God intended it to be, it also reminded me that God put in place a plan to restore what was lost (Gen. 3:15). While my sickness did remind me of how weak, frail, and powerless I am, it also reminded me that God was and is able to overcome my weakness (Ps. 103:6-14; Isa. 40:29-30; Rom. 5:6). While my sickness brought into view the pain of alienation, it reminded me of what God did in Christ not only to reconcile me to Him and others (2 Cor. 5:16-21; Eph. 2:11-22) but also to make heaven a possibility for me in the end (Matt. 25:34; John 14:1-3; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Rev. 21:1-4).

Jacob Evans

ELDERS: Tim Hammond, 852-4832 Biff Helton, 242-8785 Bob Markus, 762-9779 Eric Nutt, 242-3566

Please speak with the elder chairman regarding anything you'd like the elders to discuss or to arrange a time to meet with them.
 The elder chairman for *March and April of 2016* is **Bob Markus**.

DEACONS: Shayne Adams Joe Cook Jacob Cothren Jim Donnelly Scott Harris Billy Helton III
 Reggie Holt Shane Hughes Mark Miller Brad Nielsen Olen Springer

MINISTERS: Jacob Evans, 731-343-5325 Jeremy Gargis, 231-9557

COMING SOON

March 20: Congregational Ladies' Day Meeting after the p.m. service in the west wing. This is for All Ladies!

March 21: Widows' Breakfast, 9:30 a.m. at Hardee's.

March 22: Dorcas Sewing, 10-3 in the FB.

March 22: Ladies' Devotional at Jennifer Springer's house. 200 Fleet Ave., Lawrenceburg.

March 23: Songs Class, 6:15 p.m. in the auditorium.

March 27: 4th Sunday, 1 p.m. Song Service.

Saturday, April 9, 2016

Pulaski Street's **Ladies' Day**

Speaker **Dwina Willis**

A Blue Ribbon Life

Registration begins at 9 a.m.



Saturday, April 16:

UPCOMING EVENT in the Fellowship Building!

From 10 a.m. until noon.

Please see the bulletin board
and the overhead announcements

April 24: COMING HOME SUNDAY!

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY PLANNED

It's time for Pulaski Street to have a new church directory.

We need to have everyone's participation in order to have the most useful church directory possible.

Each family photographed will receive a free church directory and a free 8x10 photograph.



Lifetouch photography dates will be:

Thursday, April 28

Friday, April 29

Saturday, April 30

Friday, May 6

***Please note corrected
photography dates!***

We plan to begin scheduling appointments
this Sunday, March 20,
in the main foyer of the church building.

AREA OPPORTUNITIES

March 20-23: Gospel Meeting, Sandy Hook Church of Christ. Speaker Ted Burlison.

April 23: Ladies' Day. Charlotte Heights church of Christ, Nashville.

April 30: 2nd Annual Men's Day, Wayne Furnace Church of Christ, Waynesboro, TN. Speaker John Kachelman.

April 30: Ladies' Day. East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro.

June 24-26: 5th Annual Southeastern Soul Saving Seminar, Adamsville church of Christ, Adamsville, AL.

SYMPATHY

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of **STELLA BEE**. She was the sister of **Ruby Bass**, the aunt of **Jeff Bass**, and the cousin of **James Belew**. The funeral was held on Friday, March 11, at Loretto Memorial Chapel.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of **VERNA ROBERTS**. She was the grandmother of **Andrew Ezell**. A graveside service was held Saturday, March 12, at Lawrence County Memorial Gardens.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of **SHIRLEY JUDKINS KEENER**. She was the aunt of **Anthony Serrett** and the great aunt of **Keinan Mendez**. The funeral was held on Saturday, March 12, at Pettus-Turnbo Funeral Home.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to **Sara Gallian** on the death of her cousin, **NICK FLEEMAN**. Nick was the son of Sara's aunt and uncle, **Ricky and Suzanne Fleeman**. A memorial service was held on Saturday, March 12, at Mars Hill Baptist Church.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the family of **EISLEY EDGELL**. She was the two-year-old niece of **Brad and Ellen Jones**, who are friends of **Jacob and Sarah Jane Cothren**. Funeral arrangements were incomplete at the time of this printing.

THANK YOU

Thanks to each one that had a part in the goodie bags. I'm really enjoying mine! Thanks to Savana and Sophie for bringing me Sunshine and sweet smiles and to Joe and Sandy for the good Christian parents they are!!

In Christian love,

Hazel Violet

Dear Pulaski Street family,

Thank you so much for the Sunshine Package of goodies I received. I appreciate it so much, and I love everyone there.

Naoma Jacobs

The goody bags were so special. It is very nice of the youth of the church to remember the seniors and shut-ins. Thanks to Matti Grey and Duke for the delivery of my goodies and to their mother Kaley for driving them to my house.

In Christian love,

Louise Bates



"...old things
are passed away;
behold, all things
are become new."

2 Cor. 5:17b

Senior Pic Deadline is April 6! 2016 Graduates,
please turn in your senior picture and information by this date.

YOUTH NEWS

March 19th – Teens Activity! This is the postponed event from February that was snowed out! You will need to bring \$10. (You can bring additional money if you wish, but it won't be necessary.) We will leave from the church parking lot at 3:30 p.m. Plan on it!

March 20th – Soul Food Sunday! This event is for the 7th-12th grades at the home of Jacob and Brittany Evans. Head over to their house after the evening service, and plan on having a great time!

March 23rd – Songs Class! Join us at 6:15 p.m. for a time of learning, worship, and edification!

March 25th-27th – Lads to Leaders! Please keep our group in your prayers as we travel, and remember our kids as they participate in various categories!

April 3rd – Combined Devo! Please stay after the evening service for a time of devotional, fellowship, food, and fun! Special thanks to Jenifer Hughes and Kimberly Smith for organizing the food for this month's devo!

April 17th – Soul Food Sunday! This event is for the 7th-12th grades; this will take place at the home of Joe and Sandi Cook. Head over to their house after the evening service, and plan on having a great time!

Closing it out:

March Madness is upon us! For some folks, this is their favorite sports event/tournament of the year. Of course, for others, it isn't even on their radar.

For those who don't know, March Madness is the NCAA Basketball Tournament that fields 68 teams which compete to become National Champions. Each year is filled with plenty of excitement for those who are even remotely interested. You will have plenty of highly ranked teams lose in upset fashion. Those upsets will lead to Cinderella stories of teams that just seem to be able to find a way to win, despite the odds. Previously unknown players can become household names for sports fans. There is definitely a certain mystique to this tournament.

My favorite part of all of this is those teams that win in underdog fashion; the teams that "against all odds" are able to find success. That idea is a theme that we see over and over again in Scripture. Moses didn't want to lead the children of Israel, but God still chose him. Gideon thought he was least worthy to judge God's people, but God gave him great victory. David seemed far too small, weak, and young to even consider taking on Goliath, but God used David to conquer the enemy. God demonstrates thoroughly in His word that when we side with Him, we can defy seemingly insurmountable odds! We feel like we are the underdog. We think we can't succeed. We get to the point that we don't believe we can go on. We lose hope. But, God gives victory. God gives peace. God gives comfort. God gives hope. Even when the odds seem to be against us, God is able to make us conquerors. When you really think about it, we really aren't the underdogs after all!

Until next time,

Jeremy Gargis

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

JAMES and MARY LOUISA BELEW have been sick for the last few weeks. They are both beginning to feel a little better. 514 West Point Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

KYM BILBREY BROWN continues to battle ongoing health problems and has been mostly confined to home for the last year. 105 Graves Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

JEAN BROOKS is now in NHC Scott, Rm. 129B. She is continuing to recover following surgery for a leg fracture. 2380 Buffalo Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

DEBBIE COCKRELL was released from STRHS on Monday, March 14, after being treated for the flu. 4322 Hwy. 43 N., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

SOPHIE COOK has been having trouble with asthma recently. 1128 Austin Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

KIM HENDRIX was improving early this week after recently being diagnosed with the flu. 293 Napier Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

ROBBIE GUTHRIE will be seeing an endocrinologist soon for diagnosis and proper medication to get her hormones regulated following the removal of her thyroid. 1804 Jean Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

ROBERT HARRIS, brother of **Sherman Harris** and uncle of **Scott Harris**, was in St. Thomas Hospital, CCU, 225, as of Monday, March 14. He had recently begun chemotherapy for a mass on his spine and was thought to be having a severe reaction to the medication. 36 Valley Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

DEAN HUGHES had the flu last week. 532 Admiral Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

TINLEY LEE, daughter of **Andy and Katie Lee**, has been diagnosed with celiac disease. This will be treated by dietary modifications. 400 Cherokee Hills Drive, Loretto, TN 38469.

MICHAEL MASHBURN had tests last week and was expecting results on Tuesday, March 15. 3410 Waynesboro Hwy., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

TONY PARRISH was admitted to STRHS, Rm. 103, on Monday, March 14, with chest pain. 230 Jackson Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

MORGAN PILKINTON had the flu last week. 111 Springer Dr., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

LANCE POPE had the flu last week. 322 Rabbit Trail Rd., Leoma, TN 38468.

ANGELENA STEWART was treated last week at STRHS for extremely high blood sugar, elevated blood pressure, and a UTI. 823 Mahr Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

JAMES WEEKS had some problems with his heart rate last week. 297 Napier Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

JIM CALTON, father of **Darlene Dewberry**, was in NHC Columbia, Rm. 129B, as of Monday, March 14, continuing to battle various health problems. 175 N. Old Military Rd., Summertown, TN 38483.

Please continue to remember:

Bob and Martha Belew, Randy and Martha Britton, Tyson Grooms, Connie Powell, Danny Carter, Natalie Edson, Nan Yeager, and others who have been recently mentioned.