

THOSE TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS – August 26, 2018

Front Door – Bob and Linda Markus
West Door – Shane and Denise Hughes
East Door – Vickie Crouch and Dean Hughes

AUDITORIUM CLASS PRAYER.....Scott Harris

MORNING WORSHIP – August 26, 2018

OPENING PRAYER.....Biff Helton

PRESIDE AT TABLE.....Mark Miller and Jeff Bass

SERVE AT TABLE

Mark Evans.....Danny Tice
Mike Hughes.....JoJo Gieske
Anthony Serrett.....Danny Kennedy

USHERS

Doug Burns, Kenneth Kidd,
Jackie Keaton, Mike Purcell

CLOSING PRAYER.....Reggie Holt

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

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE – August 26, 2018

Ushers.....Shane Hughes and Andy Lee
Front Door Greeters.....Kim Pope and Linda Smith
Scripture Reading, Luke 14:25-35.....Josh Bowling
Lead Prayer.....Jeff Smith
Closing Prayer.....Olen Springer

*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 KJV, NKJV, or the ESV.

WEDNESDAY EVENING – August 29, 2018

Scripture Reading, Isaiah 65:13-16.....Brent Thomas
Lead Prayer.....Randy Britton
Closing Prayer.....Shane Hughes

If you cannot serve on Wednesday, please call Reggie Holt at 629-8920.

VAN DRIVERS – August 26 and August 29

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

SUNDAY MORNING.....Craig Usrey: 931-629-9666.

SUNDAY EVENING.....NO VAN RUNS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.....Tim Hammond: 931-852-4832.

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

PROJECTOR & SOUND OPERATORS – August 26 and August 29

SUN. MORN. – PROJ. OP. Shayne Adams. SOUND, Brent McKamey.

SUN. EVE. – PROJ. OP. Jacob Cothren. SOUND, Austin Serrett.

WED. EVE. – PROJ. OP. Mark Miller. SOUND, Darrin McKamey.

SERVING THROUGHOUT AUGUST

Baptismal Clothes.....Sandra Egly and Judy Butler

Sunday Morning Song Leader.....Eric Nutt

Sunday Evening Song Leader.....Jeremy Gargis

Wednesday Evening Song Leader.....Joe Cook

Prepare Communion.....Dean Hughes and Troyce Spears

Pick Up Cups.....Reggie and Pam Holt

August 8 and August 12, 2018

Mid-Week Bible Study.....194
Sunday Morning Bible Study.....255
Sunday Morning Worship.....389
Sunday Evening Worship.....170
Contribution (2018 Budget \$10,205.71).....\$11,172.00
(Average, last available).....\$10,466.54

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 August 20-August 24 will be hosted
by the **CREWSTOWN** 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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The Present

If you are a Christian, why did you decide to become a Christian? In hearing that question asked before and hearing people respond to that question, there is one of two answers that I would expect to hear from you. The first response would be “I did that to be forgiven,” and the second would be “I did that to go to heaven.”

What’s interesting to me is not so much what we usually say in response to that question, but what we don’t say. To be sure, our two common responses are huge. We can’t begin to explain how wonderful the blessings of forgiveness and the hope of heaven are, but there’s another possible response, one that we rarely hear. Imagine someone responding with these words: “I did that to dedicate my life to Jesus. Once I realized all that Jesus had done for me, I wanted to give my life to Him. I fell in love with Jesus for the great gift He gave me, and I wanted to spend the rest of my life living out that love to Him—living for Him and living like Him.”

Think about the direction our responses tend to go. We look to the *past* and say, “I became a Christian to have my sins forgiven.” We look to the *future* and say, “I became a Christian to go to heaven.” What do we usually not think about? The *present*.

In Romans 6:4-5, Paul takes the Roman Christians back to their past conversion at baptism and highlights what that means for them in the present: “We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.” Why were these Romans baptized into Christ’s death? To go to heaven? While true, that’s not Paul’s focus here. His concern is the present, not the future. They were forgiven of their sins in order that they may “walk in newness of life” in the here and now.

In 1 John 3:2-3, John comes from the other direction. John looks to the future: “Beloved . . . what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like, because we shall see him as he is.” John points out what will happen in the future, but he ends by highlighting the implications of that future for the present: “And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.” Those people who have the hope of heaven and of seeing Jesus one day should be living holy lives in the present.

From a consideration of these two passages, here’s what I want us to put into our hearts: **Those people who met Jesus at conversion (past) and who will see Jesus in heaven (future) are to reflect Jesus on earth (present).** If you’ve had your sins forgiven in the past, and if you have the hope of seeing Jesus in the future, then you should live for Jesus and live like Jesus in the present.

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 *July and August* is **Tim Hammond**. The elder chairman for *September and October* will be **Biff Helton**.

DEACONS: Shayne Adams Joe Cook Jacob Cothren Jim Donnelly Mark Evans Joe Gambrell Scott Harris
Billy Helton III Reggie Holt Shane Hughes Andy Lee Mark Miller Brad Nielsen Caleb Shadrack James Weeks

MINISTERS: Jacob Evans, 731-343-5325

Jeremy Gargis, 931-231-9557

AGAPE COUNSELOR, 931-762-8502

CAME FORWARD

JERRI HARRIS came forward on Sunday evening, August 12. Jerri stated that she has become busy and distracted by other things in life. She requested prayers that she will be able to refocus and put God first. *24 Hardin Loop Rd., West Point, TN 38486.*

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Pulaski Street church family for the abundance of birthday cards Virginia Willey received for her 100th birthday. She received more cards than she ever has in her life, and most of them were from Pulaski Street. Virginia is doing very well at this time. Thank you all!

Martha and Charlie Holt

STILL WORTH A LOT

A well-known speaker started off a seminar by holding up currency. In the room of 200, he asked, “Who would like this twenty-dollar bill?” Hands started going up. He said, “I am going to give this \$20 to one of you, but first, let me do this.”

He crumpled it. He then asked, “Who still wants it?” The same hands were up.

“Well,” he said, “What if I do this?” He dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now crumpled and dirty. “Now who still wants it?” he asked. Still the hands stayed up.

“My friends, we have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth twenty dollars.

“Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by bad decisions and unfortunate circumstances that come our way. We feel like we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value: dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to those who love you.

“The worth of our lives comes not in what we do or who we know, but by who we are. You are special – don’t ever forget it!”

*So God created man in His own image;
in the image of God He created him;
male and female He created them.*
Genesis 1:27

From *House to House, Heart to Heart*
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...But David strengthened himself
in the Lord his God.

1 Samuel 30:6b

COMING SOON

August 20: Widows Breakfast. 9:30 a.m. at Hardee’s.

August 22: Songs Class. 6:15 p.m. in the auditorium.

August 28: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Building.

September 15: Lawrence County Walk-4-Water! Mark your calendars for this very worthy and fun event! The goal is to raise money for drilled wells in Haiti, to repair previously drilled wells, and to support Haitians with various programs such as sustainable agriculture and disaster relief, while teaching them about Jesus, His love for them, and the everlasting, living water He provides.
Pre-register at www.hhi.org/GetInvolved
(Please note that there are new registration instructions.)

September 20-22: Young Adults Fall Retreat. Please get your money (\$50 per person) to Joe or Sandi Cook as soon as possible.

AREA OPPORTUNITIES

This Saturday, August 18: The 2018 Heritage Event (Heritage Christian University). Performers are comedian Michael, Jr. and musical guest Dean. Call 800-367-3565 for more information.

August 19: Gospel Series continues at Southside church of Christ in St. Joseph, TN. Speaker Barry Throneberry. 7:30 p.m.

August 19-22: Gospel Meeting. Big Creek Church of Christ, 2998 Campbellsville Pike. Speaker Tommy Hood. For directions, call 931-225-8901.

August 19-22: Lesson Series at Elkton Church of Christ, Prospect, TN. Speaker Jeff May. Topic: Christ-Centered Homes. Sunday at 3 p.m. M-W at 7 pm.

August 26: Gospel Series continues at Southside church of Christ in St. Joseph, TN. Speaker Bobby Carroll. 7:30 p.m.

August 26-29: Revival Meeting at South Gate Church of Christ. 2700 Pulaski Hwy., Columbia. Speaker Keith Parker.

August 26-28: Gospel Meeting at Crewstown Church of Christ. Speaker Jacob Evans. Sunday 1:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at 7 pm.

August 26: Homecoming at West Gaines Church of Christ. Speaker Andre R. Massengile. Song service at 1:45 p.m. Afternoon worship at 2 p.m.

September 8: Girls’ Day. East Main Church of Christ. For all girls in grades 5 – 12. 9 a.m. until noon. The speaker will be Lori Boyd.

YOUTH NEWS

August 19th – Soul Food Sunday! This month’s SFS will be hosted by Jim and Kaley Donnelly. These are for students in grades 7 and up. Make your plans to attend!

August 22nd – Songs Class! Join us in the auditorium at 6:15 p.m. for a time of learning and edification!

August 30th – Tweens Activity! This will take place in the fellowship building from 3:30 – 4:45 p.m. Plan on it!

September 2nd – Combined Devotional! Please stay after the evening worship for a time of devotion and fellowship! Supper, as always, will be provided. Special thanks to Sandy Adams for organizing the food for this month’s combined devotional!

September 5th - Good Works Wednesday! This is for our students in the 7th grade and up. We will meet in the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. for a service project, then go eat supper together before returning for Bible class. I hope you’ll join us!

September 12th - Songs Class! Join us in the auditorium at 6:15 p.m. for a time of learning and edification!

September 15th - Walk 4 Water! Make your plans to be there, walk, and help us raise money! This is a very worthy cause, and YOU can help make a difference in the lives of folks that are less fortunate!

September 16th - Soul Food Sunday! This is for students in the 7th grade and up. Make your plans to be there! Location will be announced later.

September 26th - Songs Class! Join us in the auditorium at 6:15 p.m. for a time of learning and edification!

September 29th - R.U.S.H. at Freed-Hardeman! We will be going over for Saturday only again this year. If you plan to attend, please sign up by September 9th! We will be leaving at 6:30 a.m. that Saturday morning and will likely return home between midnight and 1:00 a.m. A long day, but a great one! Make your plans to attend!

Closing it out...

It has been said that only two things in life are certain: death and taxes! But, there is one thing that is even more certain to happen than either of those two: God will love us. In the book of Lamentations, the writer describes the love of God in a beautiful way that brings hope to our lives:

“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness. ‘The Lord is my portion,’ says my soul, ‘therefore I will hope in Him.’”
Lamentations 3:22-24

Out of all of the things that we can count on in life, NONE of them compares to the love that God has for us. It will not end! In that, we can find hope!

Until next time,

Jeremy

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

Addresses are provided when possible in case you’d like to send cards.

MARTHA BELEW got a good report from last week’s CT scan. The doctor was optimistic about the treatment she has received. *805 Daniel Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

KYM BILBREY BROWN transferred to NHC Place at Cool Springs last week following surgery. As of Tuesday, August 14, she was still there in Rm. 1103, but she expects to return home later this week. *105 Graves Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

DON COOPER had surgery on Monday, August 13, to place two stents in his legs. The procedure went well, but complications occurred on Tuesday morning, and Don was airlifted back to Vanderbilt UMC. At print time, he was back in surgery at Vanderbilt. *P.O. Box 361, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

ALENA DOWLEN was examined and released from STRHS on Sunday, August 12, due to ongoing gall bladder problems, and it was determined that her gall bladder will have to be removed soon. Prayers are appreciated as the surgery will be risky due to her pregnancy. *322 Deller Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

COY GREEN is improving after last week’s surgery to remove a brain tumor. He will be undergoing rehab/physical therapy before returning home. NO VISITORS OR PHONE CALLS, please.

NANCY REEDY had CT scans last week. Unfortunately, results showed that the chemotherapy is no longer working to reduce the tumor on her pancreas. She was scheduled to see a research nurse on Wednesday, August 15, to decide what treatment may be done next. Please continue to pray for Nancy. *2471 Brandi Lane, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

RICKEY HOOD, brother of **Martha Britton** and uncle of **Denise Hughes**, had heart valve replacement last week at Vanderbilt UMC. We are thankful to report that the surgery went well, and Rickey is continuing to improve each day. As of Tuesday, August 14, he was still in VUMC, Rm. 5024. NO VISITORS, please. *Vanderbilt University Medical Center, 1211 Medical Center Drive, Nashville, TN 37232.*

LINDA MCANALLY, sister of **Judy Butler**, had returned home from the hospital to recover from heart stent surgery following a recent heart attack. She began to have a build-up of fluid, so she was taken back to St. Thomas on Monday, August 13. She expected to remain hospitalized for a couple of days. *499 Hudson Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

Please continue to pray for James and Mary Louisa Belew, Carolyn Kilburn, Michael Mashburn, Thelma McCloud, Connie Powell, Bertha Shelton, Mary Williams, Mary Wilson, Loulie Brown, Judy Bryant, Mickey Dunn, Dalton Gulley, Willie Guthrie, Rodney Reed, Shannon Williams, Jackie Wilson, and all those recently mentioned.

My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.

Psalm 73:26