

**UPCOMING WORSHIP INFO**

We will be meeting **in person** for **Sunday morning worship** at 10:30 a.m. on **February 7** with guidelines and parameters in place in order to keep us all as safe and healthy as possible.

The elders, deacons, and their wives who are attending will be wearing masks. The elders encourage you to wear a mask when you attend the Sunday morning worship service in person.

If you are sick in any way or running a fever, we obviously expect you to continue to worship with us online or on the radio. If you are especially vulnerable to the more drastic effects of Covid-19 and/or these safety measures will be difficult or impossible for you to follow, then we understand if you choose to stay home and worship with us online or on the radio.

**CONSOLE and PROJECTOR OPERATORS**

- Sunday, February 7: **Russ Gallian and Joe Cook**
- Sunday, February 14: **Russ Gallian and Joe Cook**
- Sunday, February 21: **Caleb Evans and Mark Evans**
- Sunday, February 28: **Caleb Evans and Mark Evans**

We are meeting **in person** for **Wednesday evening Bible classes** at 7 p.m. Jacob is teaching the adult class in the auditorium. Everyone (adults and children), please remember to assemble in the auditorium FIRST to hear announcements and further information.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO:**

- Enter through the open doors in the foyer.
- On Sunday mornings, pick up PCK(s) and mask(s) (optional, but strongly encouraged) as you enter.
- Find a seat for your family (every other pew is taped off).
- Maintain social distancing (e.g., no handshaking or hugging; no sitting next to another family on the same pew).
- Minimize use of nursery and restrooms.
- Refrain from using the water fountains (bottled water available).
- On Sunday mornings, deposit your contribution in a basket, and throw away your PCK(s) as you leave through the foyer.

**REMOTE ACCESS**

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**

Via Internet: Go to (1) **Pulaski Street's Facebook Page** or (2) **Pulaski Street Church of Christ's YouTube Channel** at **10:30 a.m.**

Via Radio: The Sunday morning services will **air at about 6 p.m.** (6 p.m. is not an exact time; the broadcast should begin sometime between 6 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.) on Sunday evenings at 106.1 FM (Lawrenceburg), 93.1 FM (Loretto), or 590 AM (Lawrence County) and via X Radio App on both Apple and Android.

Sunday Evening Bible Class Livestream: Go to **Pulaski Street's Facebook page** or **Pulaski Street Church of Christ's YouTube Channel** at **6 p.m.**

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Class Livestream: Go to **Pulaski Street's Facebook page** or **Pulaski Street Church of Christ's YouTube Channel** at **7 p.m.**

During **church office hours (Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.)**, you may pick up personal communion kits and/or drop off your weekly contribution. You may also mail contributions/donations to **247 Pulaski Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.**

**January 27, 2021, and January 31, 2021**

Mid-Week Bible Study.....	unavailable
Sunday Morning Bible Study.....	—
Sunday Morning Worship.....	155
Sunday Evening Worship.....	—
Contribution (2021 Budget \$10,975.00).....	\$9,872.00
Average (last available).....	\$13,892.40

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**SCHEDULE of SERVICES**

Please see schedule in previous column.



**SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES**

◆ On WDXE AM 1370/FM 102.5 ◆ 12:45 p.m. ◆ Monday – Friday ◆  
The upcoming week of February 8 – February 12 will be hosted by the SALEM 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 ¼ 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!

**PULASKI STREET BULLETIN**

**PULASKI STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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**Purging Pride**

As we pointed out last week, pride is a problem that creates problems. Not only is it a personal affront to God, but it also prevents people from loving others well. In fact, Paul writes that "love . . . does not boast; it is not arrogant" (1 Cor. 13:4). Love isn't smug. So, what do we need to do to purge pride from our hearts or prevent pride from taking up residence in our hearts?

**Pray for humility.** One of the scariest prayers a person will ever pray is only two words long: "Humble me." We need God's help as we seek to replace pride with humility. Humility is not only the opposite of pride; it's a solution to pride. Humility, as a fellow preacher defined it, is *seeing yourself clearly as you stand under God and alongside of others*. While pride is about self-exaltation, it would not be accurate to say that humility is about self-degradation or self-deprecation. With humility, we don't ignore everything we've got wrong (weaknesses; failures), but we also don't ignore everything we've got right (strengths; successes). Rather than viewing ourselves as towering above everyone, we see the strengths in others, not just their weaknesses. We look out for others as much as we look out for ourselves (Phil. 2:3-4). We love others as much as we love ourselves (Matt. 22:39).

**Practice dependence.** In Hosea 13:6, God bemoans the terrible spiritual condition of Israel and their pride as a people, as a nation, and as individuals. He says, "When I fed them, they were satisfied; when they were satisfied, they became proud; then they forgot me." Here's the terrible, ugly irony of pride. Pride happens when God gives us something, and we forget that it came from God. Pride leads us to seeing the gift and forgetting the giver. God says, in essence, "This is ridiculous. I fed them, and now they are proud. Someone else provided for them, and now they have an inflated opinion of themselves. How much sense does that make?" The fact is that all of us are not only dependent on God, but we are dependent on others as well. No man is an island. If we want to purge pride from our hearts, then we've got to acknowledge our indebtedness to others and actively seek out help, advice, and even constructive criticism. Peter says that being humble involves depending on God (1 Pet. 5:6-7). Being humble also involves depending on others.

**Ponder the cross.** This may go further than any other in mortifying pride and cultivating humility. Martyn Lloyd-Jones writes: "There is only one thing I know of that crushes me to the ground and humiliates me to the dust, and that is to look at the Son of God, and especially contemplate the cross." John Stott opines: "Every time we look at the cross, Christ seems to be saying to us, 'I am here because of you. It is your sin I am bearing, your curse I am suffering, your debt I am paying, your death I am dying.' Nothing in history or in the universe cuts us down to size like the cross. All of us have inflated views of ourselves, especially in self-righteousness, until we have visited a place called Calvary. It is there, at the foot of the cross, that we shrink to our true size." Isaac Watts wrote these words to a song we sing from time to time: "When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride."

**Jacob Evans**

**ELDERS:** Tim Hammond, 931-852-4832 Biff Helton, 931-242-8785 Bob Markus, 931-242-3816 Eric Nutt, 931-242-3566

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 January, February, and March is **Eric Nutt**.

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

**MINISTERS:** Jacob Evans, 731-343-5325 Jeremy Gargis, 931-231-9557 Rodolfo Espinoza, 615-516-0650 (Hispanic Ministry) **AGAPE COUNSELOR**, 931-762-8502

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## THANK YOU

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Dear Friends at Pulaski Street Church of Christ,

Thank you so much for the love and concern you showed for me during my recent illness with Covid. The cards I received from several of you and the letters from your elders, along with the many prayers, meant so much to me. We are so grateful that Jeremy, Katie, and our grandchildren have such a loving church family. We love you all and pray the Lord's blessings on you. **Laura and Hal Gargis**

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To our Pulaski Street family,

Thank you for all the cards, kind words, and prayers with the passing of our brother. The donation to Camp Light was so thoughtful, as it was a place Ethan cared about. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers. With love, **The Romsdal family**  
**The Gallian family**

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Pulaski Street Church,

Thank you on behalf of the Family Resource Center for collecting food as a church for our food drive! Thank you as well for the monetary donation. With your help we were able to feed 160 families two different times! We packed 320 food boxes for families of Lawrence County Schools – WOW! Thank you for your giving hearts and your partnership! I value that so much! God Bless. **Katie Brazier**

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## MEMORIALS

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A donation from **Steven and Keelan Jackson** has been given to Pulaski Street Church of Christ in memory of **HOWARD NUTT**.

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A donation from the **Tennessee Road Builders Association** has been given to Pulaski Street Church of Christ in memory of **HOWARD NUTT**.

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A donation from **Erwin and Mary Alice White** has been given to Pulaski Street Church of Christ in memory of **HOWARD NUTT**.

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THE LIGHT SHINES  
IN THE DARKNESS,  
AND THE DARKNESS  
HAS NOT OVERCOME IT.

John 1:5

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Do not gloat over me, my enemy!  
Though I have fallen, I will rise.  
Though I sit in darkness,  
the LORD will be my light.

Micah 7:8

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## How to Live a Happy Life

1. Serve others (Galatians 5:13).
2. Throw out nonessential numbers. These include age, weight, and height. Let the doctor worry about them. That is why you pay him/her.
3. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down.
4. Keep learning. Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, or whatever interests you. Never let the brain idle. "An idle mind is the devil's workshop."
5. Enjoy the simple things. When the children are young, that is all you can afford. When they are in college, that is all you can afford. When you are on retirement, that is all you can afford!
6. Laugh often, long, and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath. Laugh so much that you can be tracked in a store by the noise.
7. Tears happen. Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person who is with you your entire life is you. Be alive while you are alive—do not put out a mailbox on the highway of death and just wait in residence for your mail.
8. Surround yourself with what you love, whether it is family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, or hobbies. Your home is your refuge.
9. Cherish your health. If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.
10. Do not take guilt trips. Go to the mall, the next county, or a foreign country, but do not go to a "guilt country."
11. At every opportunity, tell the people you love that you do love them.
12. Worship God faithfully (John 4:24).

via *House to House Heart to Heart* (online)

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"These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full."

John 15:11

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## YOUTH NEWS

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We had quite a bit of time to do nothing other than sit around the house during our recent quarantine. I guess that's the way it is supposed to go. We may have watched more television during the last few weeks than I watched in all of 2020!

One particular thing stuck out in my mind while Katie and I were watching a show. There was a scene in which someone had written something on a mirror with a sharpie and later was trying to clean it off. Obviously, they were having trouble erasing it. There's a reason that they call them permanent markers! Anyway, as this character used various cleaning supplies and tried to scrub the markings of the sharpie from the mirror, Katie offered a solution. She said, "All he needs to do is write over it with a dry erase marker, and it will come right off." I argued a bit, but she insisted that it would work. I may have to experiment with this on one of our own mirrors sometime! Or maybe not...

Here's my point: there is a solution to clean up just about any mess. Bentley sure can be a mess after eating something like spaghetti, but baby wipes do a pretty good job of cleaning him up. A bath will take care of it if wipes won't suffice. Mud and grass stains on clothes can be stubborn, but some spot spray and a good washing or two, or even a pressure washer, can typically resolve your problems.

Some messes can be fixed but can be a bit expensive. Consider stains in carpet or furniture, for instance. Sure, you can treat spots on your couch, and they will look better for a time, but ultimately the couch may never be the same. As for carpet, you can have it professionally cleaned, or you can rent or buy something like a Rug Doctor. For a short time, the stains will disappear, only to return not long after they are gone. The problem is that the stain has seeped down into the pad underneath the carpet, and it will come back to the surface eventually. These problems can still be solved. You can just throw out the old, and buy it new.

The same kinds of options are available for the messes that we make in our lives because of sin. Some of the messes, from our perspective, are superficial. Simply acknowledging the issues and deciding to correct them is enough. Sometimes, though, we find ourselves with problems and habits that we don't know how to handle. Maybe they are deep-seated, sort of like how carpet stains get down into the pad underneath and consistently return to the surface. While these issues may plague us more, God doesn't view them any differently than the ones that seem less significant to us.

So, what can we do? Most of you reading this already know the answers, but an occasional reminder never hurts. Living a repentant lifestyle, consistently seeking to "walk in the light," and confessing our wrongdoings provides us with a clean slate through the blood of Jesus, regardless of how big we think our problems are (1 John 1:5-9)! Besides, when we initially give our lives to Christ through obeying the gospel, God's Word tells us that we are made new (2 Cor. 5:17-21)! Just like you can rip up that old carpet and replace it, God takes our sin-stained lives and revives them.

Yes, any mess that we make with our lives because of sin can be cleaned up. It only requires our acknowledgment of the problem, seeking forgiveness, obeying the Gospel if we never have, and committing ourselves to obedience and righteousness. Are there messes in your life that you need to address?

Until next time, **Jeremy**

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## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

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*Addresses are included in case you'd like to send cards.*

**DAN HAISLIP** was able to return home on Sunday, January 31, from St. Thomas after being hospitalized for a week with considerable chest pain and headache. After numerous tests, Dan was diagnosed with a severe infection in his pinky toe; amputation was required, and he is recovering. The chest pain, which was caused by an inflamed sternum, was minimal as of Monday, February 1. (Dan is diabetic and has little feeling in his feet.) *702 9<sup>th</sup> St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

**DEAN HUGHES** had outpatient rotator cuff surgery (right shoulder) on Tuesday, February 2, at Maury Regional. The doctor found more to repair than expected, but the surgery went well. Dean is recovering at home; she was having a lot of pain as of Tuesday. *532 Admiral Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

**CHRISTY SMITH** was able to return to work on Monday, February 1, after several days at home with Covid-19. Christy is feeling better and improving each day. Thankfully, **Jeff** has not shown any symptoms. *47 Hardin Loop, West Point, TN 38486.*

**CALLIE HERMSDORFER**, stepmother of **Justin Hermsdorfer**, is doing better after a diagnosis of Covid-19. *412 Stella Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

**JONATHAN HOOD**, husband of **Whitney Hood** who is **Jacob Evans's** first cousin, was able to return to work on Monday, February 1, after having Covid-19. *215 Admiral Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

**TINA KELSO**, friend of **Kathy Sisk**, was still hospitalized in critical condition at Williamson Medical Center with Covid-19 as of Tuesday, February 2. At last report, her condition had worsened, and she was not doing well. *1049 Alex Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

**ZACH ROSE**, brother of **Megan Shadrack**, was able to return home last week after a few weeks in Grandview Hospital (Birmingham, AL) with meningitis. He is doing much better.

**BRYAN and JENNA SANDERS** both have COVID-19 and the flu. (Jenna works at Lawrenceburg Federal with **Biff Helton** and **Billy Helton**, and Bryan is her husband.) As of Tuesday, February 2, Jenna was in Maury Regional Hospital, and Bryan was sick at home. *627 Red Bird Court, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

**NOVIE SCOTT**, baby daughter of **Jake and Autumn Scott**, is in Centennial Hospital with a virus. (Autumn is a friend and former coworker of **Debra Fitzgerald**.) Novie is being treated with oxygen. She has also been given blood due to anemia.

**DAN WINKLER**, longtime Gospel preacher, had colon cancer surgery on Monday, February 1. The doctor was very pleased with the outcome of the surgery. Once pathology results are in, any further treatment will be discussed. *1000 Revere Pl., Apt. 31-310, Spring Hill, TN 37174.*