UPCOMING WORSHIP INFO

If you need to ride the church van to our services, please contact Scott Harris at 931-629-5994.

We will be meeting in person for Sunday school classes at 9:30 a.m., and we will be meeting in person in the auditorium for worship at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 26, 2023. Please go directly to your class when you arrive.

DOOR GREETERS (front foyer) for **Sunday, March 5**: **Tommy and Patsy Lee**

Masks are available for your use as you arrive. Hand sanitizer is available. On Sunday mornings, we are continuing to use individual/personal communion kits (PCKs). Please place your empty PCK back into the plastic bag and discard it as you exit.

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, March 5: Jeffrey Hughes and Jeremy Snider Sunday, March 12: Jeffrey Hughes and Jeremy Snider Sunday, March 19: Mark Evans and Caleb Evans Sunday, March 26: Mark Evans and Caleb Evans

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

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.

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.

February 22 and February 26, 2023

Mid-Week Bible Study	179
Sunday Morning Bible Study	154
Sunday Morning Worship	235
Sunday Evening Worship	est. 60
Contribution (2023 Budget \$11,909.00)	\$8,902.26
Average (last available)	\$12,395.32

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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	
Sunday Evening	5:30 p.m.*
Wednesday Evening	7:00 p.m.
*4th Sundays, 1 p.m. song service. 5th Sundays, no p.m.	service.

SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES

♦ On WDXE AM 1370/FM 102.5 ♦ 12:45 p.m. ♦ Monday – Friday ♦ The upcoming week of March 6 - March 10 will be hosted by the MIDWAY Church of Christ.

PANTRY LIST

rice/1 lb. bag instant potatoes/8 oz. pkg. macaroni & cheese/7.25 oz. box crackers/1 lb. 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. jars

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

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What Forgiveness Does

Have you ever hurt or deeply offended God? I can answer that question for you: "Yes, you have" (Rom. 3:23). All of us have hurt God, but those of us who are followers of Jesus have been forgiven by God (Eph. 1:7). Nevertheless, the gospel isn't just about receiving forgiveness; it's also about giving forgiveness. Forgiveness doesn't just flow to us; it's supposed to flow through us to others. Forgiveness is giving others what God gave us in Christ. I guess you could argue that it's only fair that we forgive those who hurt us, since God has forgiven us for hurting Him. Below is an overview of what forgiving others accomplishes.

Forgiveness fosters reconciliation. Just as God wants us to be reconciled to Him, He wants us to be reconciled to others. He wants the offender and the offended to deal with the offense (or hurt) that stands between them and come back together (Matt. 5:23-24; 18:15). God hates alienation and the pain, hurt, and anger that it causes; He loves reconciliation and the relief, healing, and peace it produces.

In a perfect world, this is how forgiveness would always work, wherein the offender owns up to his offense, repents, and seeks forgiveness, and the offended forgives and let goes of the offense, and the two are reconciled as a result, leaving them both relieved and healed in their own ways. But we don't live in a perfect world; we live in a fallen world. As such, here is something else to consider about forgiveness.

Forgiveness uproots bitterness. When someone hurts us, he/she sows a seed of bitterness in our hearts, and the more we water and nurture that seed of bitterness, the more bitter we become. Forgiveness has a way of uprooting the bitterness that has been growing in our hearts. And we ought not take this bitterness lightly. It's serious. Bitterness is not just a sign of unresolved hurt; it's also a sin (Eph. 4:26). Forgiveness is the key to uprooting bitterness and resolving the hurt that we've allowed to haunt us (Eph. 4:31-32).

Incidentally, I think this observation about forgiveness is the answer to a question that is often raised about forgiveness. Sometimes those who have hurt us won't own up to their offense, show remorse, or repent about what they've done. Sometimes people purposefully hurt or wound us and are more than satisfied with what they've done. Sometimes those who have hurt us die before any reconciliation can take place. So, do we have to forgive in such instances? While some would argue "No," I say "Yes." Why? Because we must not allow someone's sin against us to become our sin against God. Forgiveness may not change the past, but it can change our future.

Forgiveness ensures God's forgiveness. In teaching His disciples how to pray, Jesus includes in His model prayer the following line: "and forgive us our debts, as we have also forgiven our debtors" (Matt. 6:12). After concluding His prayer, Jesus doubles down on the issue of forgiveness: "For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses" (Matt. 6:14-15; cf. Mark 11:15). Sobering, huh? If I am unwilling to forgive others when they hurt me, I should not expect God to forgive me when I hurt Him. Once again, we're reminded that our relationship to God is inextricably tied to our relationships with others. 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 2023 is Eric Nutt.

DEACONS: Shayne Adams Joe Cook Jim Donnelly Mark Evans Scott Harris Billy Helton III Reggie Holt Shane Hughes Andy Lee Mark Miller Brad Nielsen Tanner Romsdal Caleb Shadrick Glenn Snider

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

new elders

Our elders recently sought input from the congregation concerning the selection of additional elders here at Pulaski Street. On Sunday, February 26, it was announced that two men, **SHANE HUGHES** and **MARK MILLER**, have agreed to accept the office of elder. The elders plan to announce the installation of these new elders on Sunday, March 12.

If you know of a scriptural reason why either of these two men should not serve as an elder, please go first to the individual in an effort to resolve the issue. If the matter cannot be resolved, please put your scriptural objection in writing, sign it, and give it to one of the current elders **before Sunday, March 12**.

Please pray for Shane and Mark and their families, and continue to keep the Pulaski Street elders in your prayers.

We are now scheduling **Directory Photography** appointments. Our photography dates are **March 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, & 30**.

Please book your photo appointment:

- •Online at www.ucdir.com (Use code: TN182 and password: photos.
- ●Text (preferred) or call Melanie Nutt (931-242-4917) or Sandy Adams (931-231-5841), or call the church office (931-762-5161) on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays.
- •Make your appointment in person in the foyer on Sunday mornings.

coming soon

MARCH

Friday, March 3-Sunday, March 5: Family Retreat. Maywood Christian Camp, Hamilton, AL.

Sunday, March 5: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Wednesday, March 8: Songs Class. 6:15 p.m. in the auditorium.

Sunday, March 12: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

March 13-March 17: LCSS Spring Break.

Saturday, March 18: **Bible Study for Ladies** (teens and up). Led by Kristen Mashburn. 9 a.m. in the main foyer.

Tuesday, March 14: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the

Sunday, March 19: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB. Sunday, March 26: 4th Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.

APRIL

Sunday, April 2: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Tuesday, April 4: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB.

Sunday, April 9: Devotional. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Wednesday, April 12: Songs Class. 6:15 p.m. in the auditorium. Saturday, April 15: Bible Study for Ladies (teens and up). Led by

Kristen Mashburn. 9 a.m. in the main foyer. **Sunday, April 16: F.E.A.S.T.** 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Tuesday, April 18: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB.

Sunday, April 23: 4th Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.

April 28-30: Leadership Workshop.

Sunday, April 30: 5th Sunday. Fellowship Meal. No p.m. service.

sympathy

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **BERTHA SHELTON**. Bertha passed on Wednesday, February 22. The funeral was held on Saturday, February 25, in Waynesboro, TN.

Condolences may be sent to Bertha's daughter, **Pat Beckham**, at 243 Wisdom Rd., Westpoint, TN 38486.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **KATHY VAN VICKLE**. Kathy was the wife of **Dan Van Vickle**. Kathy, Dan, and their son, **Hays**, attended services at Pulaski Street several years ago. Kathy passed away on Friday, February 24, from Covid 19 and pneumonia. A private graveside service was held on Wednesday, March 1.

Condolences may be sent to **Dan Van Vickle** at 191 Beardsley Court, Muscle Shoals, AL 35661.

memorial

A donation from **Mary Burleson** has been given to Pulaski Street Church of Christ in memory of **RONALD WAYNE THIGPEN.**

thank you

To our Pulaski Street family,

Words cannot express how much the cards, calls, texts, and especially the prayers meant to my family. At a time of loss, even the simplest things are greatly appreciated. Thank you all so much for the donation to St. Jude's Children's Hospital. This is by far the greatest gift I can imagine. Flowers wither and are gone in a few days, but this donation is a lasting gift that will help give a child and parents hope and answer prayers. Times like these make you realize just how much it means to have a church family like you.

Thankfulness is the beginning of gratitude; gratitude is the completion of thankfulness. Thankfulness may consist merely of words; gratitude is shown in acts. Thank you all so much.

In Christian love, *Kevin and Nina Busby*

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation for the cards and visits Ronnie Thigpen received from the church family while he was at NHC. Thank you also for the calls, cards, and messages of sympathy received and food that was prepared for the family when Ronnie passed. We appreciate our church family and the thoughts and prayers for us during this difficult time. Thankful and blessed,

The Thigpen family

Thank you so much for your donation to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of my father, Wally Moore. Thank you, as well, for your prayers during this difficult time.

Melissa Moore Brazier

Dear Pulaski Street family,

Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers. It is greatly appreciated. It has been a very difficult time, but with God, all things are possible. *Kasey Wyatt and family*

vouth news

March 3rd-5th - Family Retreat! We have had to postpone this event multiple times, but the time for Family Retreat is here again! Please come! It's not too late! All are welcome to attend. The cost is \$30 a person (but no more than \$150 per household). This will take place at Maywood Christian Camp in Hamilton, AL. Ryan Gallagher will be joining us for a few sessions on "Jesus: the Lion and the Lamb."

March 5th – Lions Activity. This will take place at the Donnellys' house after FEAST. Head on out to 29 South Park Grove Road once FEAST has concluded.

March 8th - Songs Class! 6:15-6:45 p.m. in the auditorium. Please join us as we familiarize ourselves with some new/new-to-us songs!

March 9th -Lambs Activity. This will take place in the fellowship building from 4:00-5:15 p.m. Make your plans to be there!

March 12th - Maury County Area Wide! This month's area wide will take place at the West Seventh Church of Christ. We will meet in the south parking lot at 4:00 p.m. to head there, and supper will be provided.

March 13th-17th - Spring Break! Have a good week out of school! Remember that there will be no Breakfast Bible Study this week. Monday, March 27th - Breakfast Bible Study! We will meet at Jack's at 6:45 a.m. If you have turned in your order to me by Sunday, March 26th, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's

Wednesday, April 5th - Good Works Wednesday! Lions, meet in the south parking lot at 5:00 p.m. to go make a visit and then eat supper before coming back for Bible class.

April 7th-**9**th - **Lads to Leaders!** Please keep our group in your prayers as we travel to Nashville and participate in various events.

Closing it out:

This past weekend thirty-one of us went to Pigeon Forge for Challenge Youth Conference. It was a great weekend! There were about 12,000 people gathered inside the LeConte Center to sing praises and listen to challenging lessons from God's Word.

Our Lions were absolutely fantastic! All of our chaperones noticed how well behaved they were and how engaged they were during worship and lessons. Additionally, I had some folks who were sitting near us commend them for their behavior. Our kids really are good kids, and they even stand out among other kids that are seeking to do what is right!

There were nine adults who made the trip, including Katie and myself, and they were all consistently selfless and made sure that our teens had a positive experience. Thank you so much!

Finally, I have to give an extra special thank you to Katie. She works full-time, has three kids of her own, and still manages to be involved in every single thing that PSYG does. It's phenomenal. Thanks for being so great for all of our Lions and Lambs! Until next time...

Jeremy Garais

repentance

MARY WILSON spoke to Jeremy last week to express her repentance for not attending as she feels she should. Mary continues to battle health problems, and she expects to have more knee surgery ahead of her. Please pray for Mary. 1067 Old Florence Road, Apt. 218, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

prayers are requested

Addresses are included (when possible) in case you'd like to send cards.

ELIANA ESPINOZA is scheduled for a follow-up appointment next week concerning her recent shoulder fracture. 1265 East Gaines St., Lawrencebura. TN 38464.

MIKE HUGHES's shoulder MRI showed a completely torn labrum and a cyst impinging on a nerve. Surgery is likely, but Mike wants to start with physical therapy. 2231 Harlan Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464. EFFIE MATNEY, mother of Charlotte Snider, transferred to NHC-Lawrenceburg, Rm. 104A, from STRHS this week as she continues to recover from Covid-19. She is very weak but improving. 310 Roberta Lane, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

LISA PARRISH underwent liver transplant surgery on Thursday, February 23, at Vanderbilt UMC. Thankfully, the surgery went well. Lisa is undergoing dialysis and resting much of the time. *230 Jackson Avenue, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

CONNIE POWELL is scheduled for an appointment with her doctor on March 9 concerning her recent diagnosis of breast cancer; a mastectomy is planned. She is also still recovering from recent surgeries and procedures. *66 Jordan Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*. **KAYE HILL SMITH** was scheduled to return to her spine doctor on March 2 concerning her recent lumbar fracture. **NO VISITS, please**. Send cards to *698 Parkes Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

HAZEL VIOLET is still recovering from Covid-19. She had an episode of high blood pressure on Monday, February 27, that is thought to be related to the virus. Please encourage Hazel with your cards and prayers. *c/o The Summit, 186 Prosser Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.* **GREG DONNELLY**, father of **Jim Donnelly**, is continuing to do very well following his recent kidney transplant. He is no longer restricted from driving and can now go out to non-crowded areas. *8621 Cherokee Trail, Crossville, TN 38572*.

JANA CROSS GOBBLE, teacher at Leoma Elementary and friend to many here, is awaiting biopsy results. 1300 American Blvd., St. Joseph. TN 38481.

THOMAS HOLMAN, son of **JoAnn Holman** and brother of **Patsy Lee**, was still in North Alabama Specialty Hospital in Athens, AL, as of Tuesday, February 28. He has no feeding tube, is breathing on his own, and is improving. *P.O. Box* **216**, *Leoma*, *TN* 38468.

LINDA ROBERTSON, sister-in-law of **Vickie Crouch**, is at home on hospice after a battle with RSV-pneumonia. She has been doing some better since being home. *212 Dunn Fall River Rd., Leoma, TN 38468*. **LESLIE SHADRICK**, father of **Caleb Shadrick**, was still in St. Thomas Hospital as of Tuesday, February 28, after having heart valve replacement surgery last week and pacemaker surgery on Monday, February 27. *109 Dunn Rd., Leoma, TN 38468*.

CHARLES SMITH, grandfather of **Jenifer Hughes**, was taken to the ER in Michigan after feeling very ill during the weekend. He was doing much better and was able to return home on Monday, February 27. 1206 S. Chipman St., Owosso, MI 48867.

Please also continue to pray for: Randy Britton, Ginny Chapman, Ricardo Diaz, Esther Gulley, Robbie Guthrie, Billy and Donna Helton, Debbie Phann, Stephanie Taylor, Nadine Blasingim, Colby Bryan, Jerry Carden, Danny Case, Jamie Casteel, Wayne Clayton, Barbara Crews, Mike Cummings, Keith Faulkner, Susan Fisher, Shirley Futch, Katie Holman, Betty Land, Steve Kelley, Tim and Renee Miller, Oliver Morrow, Jackie Osborn, Robert Osborn, William and Sandra Reed, Gearldean Reedy, Phil Reedy, Molly Reilly, Kade Shultz, Charley Staggs, Randall and Cathy Staggs, Darlene Surratt, Don Sweeton, Mark Vaughn, James Weeks, Rachel Workman, and all those mentioned recently.