### **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, March 12, 2023. Please go directly to your class when you arrive.

## DOOR GREETERS (front foyer) for Sunday, March 12: Andy and Katie 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 12: Jeffrey Hughes and Jeremy Snider Sunday, March 19: Mark Evans and Caleb Evans Sunday, March 26: Mark Evans and Caleb Evans Sunday, April 2: Tommy McClaren and Ethan Cooper

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.

#### March 1 and March 5, 2023

Mid-Week Bible Study	134
Sunday Morning Bible Study	153
Sunday Morning Worship	252
Sunday Evening Worship	est. 128
Contribution (2023 Budget \$11,909.00)	unavailable
Average (last available)	\$12,395.32

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#### SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
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 13 – March 17 will be hosted by the PULASKI STREET Church of Christ.

#### PANTRY LIST

rice/1 lb. bag instant potatoes/8 oz. pkg. 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 soup/10.5 oz. can peanut butter/18 oz. jar 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

## PULASKI STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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# **Elders, Overseers, and Shepherds, O My!**

Though some might question whether the words "elder," "overseer/bishop," and "shepherd/pastor," refer to the same persons, the New Testament makes it plain that they do (Acts 20:17, 28-31; cf. 1 Pet. 5:1-2). These terms are synonymous; they all refer to the same person with emphasis being placed on a different aspect of their work. Below is a crash course in the three Greek terms used in the NT to designate the spiritual leaders of a congregation.

**Presbuteros.** The plural form of this Greek term is the one that is most frequently used in the NT to designate the spiritual leaders in a local church. It is almost exclusively rendered "elders" in our English translations (Acts 11:30; 14:23; 15:2, 4, 6, 22-23; 16:4; 20:17; 21:18; 1 Tim. 5:17; Titus 1:5; James 5:14; 1 Pet. 5:1; cf. 1 Tim. 4:14). It generally refers to someone who is advanced in age; however, in connection with the qualifications set forth for elders in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1, it points to spiritual leadership by men of seniority, experience, and wisdom.

**Episkopos.** This Greek term is another designation for those who lead God's flock in a given locality. It is usually translated either "bishop(s)" or "overseer(s)," depending upon the English translation one uses (Acts 20:28; Phil. 1:1; 1 Tim. 3:1-2; Titus 1:7; cf. 1 Pet. 2:25). Practically speaking, this designation refers to one who oversees the work of others and who superintends that in which others are engaged. As such, episkopos points to an administrative function.

**Poimen.** Though this noun occurs seventeen times in the NT, it is used only once to designate spiritual leaders in the Lord's church (Eph. 4:11; cf. John 10:1-18; Heb. 13:20; 1 Pet. 2:25). It is usually translated "shepherd(s)" or "pastor(s)" in our English translations. The verb form (poimainein) occurs in eleven NT passages, and twice it depicts the work of the leadership in the church (Acts 20:28; 1 Pet. 5:2; cf. John 21:15-17). It is variously translated "to shepherd," "to care for," "to tend," or "to feed" in our English versions. Poimēn emphasizes the quality of the relationship that should exist between leaders and followers.

In the NT, there was always a plurality of elders/overseers/shepherds in each local congregation (cf. Acts 14:23; Titus 1:5). The Catholics and certain Protestants today select one bishop over a plurality of churches, but the practice among churches in the first century was just the opposite: a plurality of bishops was chosen to oversee one church. Some religious groups designate one man as the "pastor," or "shepherd," of their church. This practice, too, does not find support in the NT.

The oversight that elders exercise is a collective oversight. [There is no evidence in the NT of an elder overseeing a congregation by himself.] Such involves the ability to work together as a unit and to refrain from making broad-based decisions without consulting the group. It is imperative that one understands that the work of the elder must be done in wholehearted collaboration with one's fellow elders. This, of course, necessitates that an elder have certain qualities that allow him to cooperate well with others. Jacob Evans

**ELDERS:** Tim Hammond, 931-852-4832 Biff Helton, 931-242-8785

Bob Markus, 931-242-3816

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

## thank you

To all of you at Pulaski Street Church and our friends,

I want to thank you for all the years of your support and help in every way for anything we needed, especially the prayers. Michael loved you and always said, "It's like a family, Momma, and they will always be there."

His faith and courage carried him through. I could see his mind was fixed on God and Heaven. All his fears of what could have gone wrong were relieved in the end. He was in his bed with no pain or bleeding. He reached up, and then that was the end. I felt the presence of God and His angels that carried him home. You all made his years the best, and with your help, I could meet his needs.

Thank you for the food after his service, the donation to Toys for Tots, and the help with his gravestone. I had several people ask where we attended church. They were so very impressed by how much you all loved and cared for him and us.

In Christian love, *Cathy* (Atwell) and *April* (Mashburn)

Pulaski Street Church of Christ.

The family of Bertha Shelton acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. Thank you for the donation to the Butterfly Foundation in memory of our much-loved Momma, Granny, and Great Granny. She made our lives her priority and loved us so well. Thank you for being her church family.

Jacob [Evans] was dear to us as we walked Moma through her illness/passing and her entering Heaven. She would ask for him, and he came many times during this difficult time for her and gave her peace.

Love, Pat, Doug, and families

We appreciate the elders praying for our family in the loss of Jim's brother. Many thanks for your prayers, cards, calls, and kind words. Our church family is great.

Jim and Elizabeth Land

## sympathy

We extend Christian love and sympathy to Vickie Crouch on the death of her sister-in-law, LINDA ROBERTSON. The funeral was held on Tuesday, March 7, in Lawrenceburg.

Condolences may be sent to **Vickie and family** at *590 Watson Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

# area opportunities

March 10-11: 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Coats Farm Benefit Trail Ride and Auction. All proceeds go to North Alabama Children's Home. For more info, call Don Williams at 256-366-3327.

March 10: 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Area-wide Singing. Plainview church of Christ, Hazel Green, AL.

March 12-15: Spring Gospel Meeting. East Hill Church of Christ, Pulaski, TN. Speaker Jeff Archey. M-W at 7 p.m.

**April 3-24: Ladies' Spring Class.** *Studies in the Book of Ruth.* At Heritage Christian University. On campus and online via zoom. Mondays at 6 p.m.

## directory photography

We are now scheduling **Directory Photography** appointments. Our photography dates are **March 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, & 30**. Please note that **if you have 6 people or more** in your family group, you will need to reserve TWO time slots back to back.

#### Please book your photo appointment ASAP:

- •Online at <a href="www.ucdir.com">www.ucdir.com</a> (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 when you're here for services. (See Melanie, Sandy, or ask any staff member.)

## coming soon



#### MARCH

**Saturday, March 11:** Before retiring this evening, set your clocks ahead one hour.

Sunday, March 12: Daylight Saving Time begins.

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 FR

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.

**April 7 – 9: Lads to Leaders Convention**. Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN.

Sunday, April 9: Easter.

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: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.

April 28-30: Leadership Workshop.

**Sunday, April 30: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday.** Fellowship Meal. No p.m. service.

## youth news

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

March 12<sup>th</sup> - 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 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> - Spring Break! Have a good week out of school! Remember that there will be no Breakfast Bible Study this week.

Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup> - 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 26<sup>th</sup>, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's.

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> - Maury County Area Wide!** This month's area-wide will take place at the North View Church of Christ. We will meet in the south parking lot at 4:00 p.m. to head there, and supper will be provided.

**April 5<sup>th</sup> - 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 7**<sup>th</sup>-**9**<sup>th</sup> - **Lads to Leaders!** Please keep our group in your prayers as we travel to Nashville and participate in various events

**April 10**<sup>th</sup> - **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 26<sup>th</sup>, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's.

**April 12**<sup>th</sup> - **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!

April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Shoals Area Youth Series! Lions, meet in the parking lot at 4:00 to head to Heritage Christian University for this event. Supper will be provided. We will stay for a singing following the meal and should return home by around 8:30 p.m.

## Closing it out:

Family Retreat was so great! Thanks to each of you who came! Ryan Gallagher did a fantastic job presenting lessons about Jesus being the sacrificial lamb of glory, being the roaring lion of Judah, and being both of them at the same time.

It had been three years since we were able to have Family Retreat, but we don't plan for it to take that long again! Mark your calendars for March 1-3, 2024! The plan for now is to return to Maywood Christian Camp that weekend.

I couldn't end this short little blurb about how great things went without thanking Sandy Adams. Sandy ALWAYS volunteers to help with things, and one of her specialties is planning meals. She regularly volunteers to plan meals for things like this, to do the shopping, and to include and coordinate other volunteers. It takes so much stress off of me because I know it will be done much better than I would have done it. This can be a huge undertaking, and she is absolutely great at it! Thank you, Sandy!

Until next time...

Jeremy Gargis

## prayers are requested

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

**GINNY CHAPMAN** was able to be at church on Sunday, March 5, for the first time in about eight months following her hip fracture, surgery, and complicated healing. *209 Clayton St., L'burg, TN 38464*. **MIKE HUGHES** is scheduled to see his surgeon on March 23, and shoulder surgery may be happening sooner than he had hoped. He has not improved after undergoing some physical therapy sessions. *2231 Harlan Drive, Lawrencebura, TN 38464*.

**LISA PARRISH** was still in Vanderbilt UMC's Transplant Center as of Tuesday, March 7, after her recent liver transplant. She had been undergoing dialysis, but that has been discontinued. Lisa plans to transfer to Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehab Hospital soon. *230 Jackson Avenue, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

**CONNIE POWELL** is scheduled for an appointment with her doctor this Thursday, March 9, concerning her recent diagnosis of breast cancer and upcoming mastectomy. *66 Jordan Road*, *L'burg*, *TN 38464*.

**KAYE HILL SMITH** is at home with an L1 (lower spine) compression fracture. There is not much that can be done medically; healing will just take time. **NO VISITS**, **please**. Send cards to *698 Parkes Circle*, *Lawrenceburg*, *TN 38464*.

**HAZEL VIOLET** is still very weak but continuing to recover from Covid-19. *c/o The Summit, 186 Prosser Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

**SEAN BROWN**, cousin of **Jeremy Gargis**, had emergency surgery on Sunday, March 5, at North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo, MS to repair an aortic dissection. As of Tuesday, March 7, Sean was off the ventilator but still in CCU and being treated for atrial fibrillation. *3633 County Hwy. 325, Hamilton, AL 35570*.

**WAYNE CLAYTON**, dear friend of **Jack and Judy Butler**, is recovering after having a partial leg amputation surgery on Friday, March 3. He is currently in STRHS but expects to transfer to NHC-Lawrenceburg soon. *709 8th Street*, *Lawrenceburg*, *TN 38464*.

BARBARA CREWS, aunt of April Rigsby, has transferred from NHC-Maury Regional to NHC-Lawrenceburg, Rm. 304. Barbara is on hospice. c/o NHC Lawrenceburg, 374 Brink St., L'burg, TN 38464.

JANA CROSS GOBBLE, teacher at Leoma Elementary and friend to many here, has been diagnosed with colon cancer. Thankfully, the cancer does not appear to have spread. Jana is being referred to a surgeon at St. Thomas. 1300 American Blvd., St. Joseph, TN 38481.

**THOMAS HOLMAN**, son of **JoAnn Holman** and brother of **Patsy Lee**, is continuing to improve and is now undergoing therapy at STRHS-Rehab (Lawrenceburg). *P.O. Box 216, Leoma, TN 38468*.

**LIBBY SANDERS,** student at Loretto High School, has been diagnosed with Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. She is improving with antibiotic treatment. *549 Railroad St., Westpoint, TN 38486*.

**KADE SHULTZ**, senior at LCHS and close friend of **Carter Hughes**, was airlifted to Huntsville Hospital on Saturday, March 4, after suffering a setback in his recovery from severe leg injuries. After tests and treatment, Kade was able to return home on Sunday. *401 Good Hope Rd., Leoma, TN 38468*.

**LESLIE SHADRICK**, father of **Caleb Shadrick**, is recovering at home after his recent heart valve replacement and pacemaker surgeries at St. Thomas. He is weak but seems to be improving. 109 Dunn Rd., Leoma, TN 38468.

<u>Please also continue to pray for:</u> Randy Britton, Eliana Espinoza, Esther Gulley, Robbie Guthrie, Billy and Donna Helton, Effie Matney, Nadine Blasingim, Jerry Carden, Danny Case, Jamie Casteel, Mike Cummings, Greg Donnelly, Keith Faulkner, Susan Fisher, 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, Charley Staggs, Randall and Cathy Staggs, Darlene Surratt, Don Sweeton, Mark Vaughn, James Weeks, Rachel Workman, and all those mentioned recently.