### **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, July 16, 2023. Please go directly to your class when you arrive.

### DOOR GREETERS (front foyer) for Sunday, July 16: Bob and Linda Markus

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, July 16: Jeffrey Hughes and Jeremy Snider Sunday, July 23: Mark Evans and Caleb Evans Sunday, July 30: Mark Evans and Caleb Evans Sunday, August 6: 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

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

<u>Via Radio</u>: 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.

#### July 5 and July 9. 2023

Mid-Week Bible Study	159
Sunday Morning Bible Study	188
Sunday Morning Worship	289
Sunday Evening	136
Contribution (2023 Budget \$11,909.00)	\$13,361.71
Average (last available)	\$12,088.95

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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 July 17 – July 21 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. 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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# **Reasons for Christ's Preeminence**

Part Three

In Colossians 1:17, Paul writes the following about Jesus Christ: "And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together." Jesus is preeminent because He is the *sustainer*.

To write that Jesus is "before all things" speaks to His preexistence. In the beginning, Jesus, i.e., the Word, already was (John 1:1). Jesus existed, not just before His birth (John 1:14), but before creation. Before Jesus had a life on earth, He had a life in heaven. This fact shouldn't surprise us; after all, Paul has just mentioned, as we discussed in last week's article, that Jesus was involved in the creation of everything.

What might surprise us is what Paul writes next: "[I]n him all things hold together." The Hebrews writer echoes this truth: "[H]e upholds the universe by the word of his power" (1:3). There is a medieval painting that shows Christ in the clouds with the world of humans and nature below. From Christ at the top to every person and thing below is painted a thin golden thread. The artist was attempting to illustrate the truth in Colossians 1:17b and Hebrews 1:3 that Christ is responsible for sustaining the existence of every created thing.

The verb tense used in the Greek of Colossians 1:17b emphasizes that Jesus presently continues to hold all things together; thus, apart from His continuous action everything and everyone would disintegrate. Absolutely astounding, isn't it? Through Christ, the world is sustained and prevented from falling into oblivion. As H. C. G. Moule memorably put it, "[Christ] keeps the cosmos from becoming a chaos." Everything at this very moment is held together by Jesus' powerful word, and if for one millisecond He withdrew His sustaining power, everything would be gone.

Not only are we utterly dependent upon Jesus Christ for our physical welfare, but, as we'll discuss in next week's article, we are also completely dependent upon Him for our spiritual welfare.

**ELDERS:** Tim Hammond, 931-852-4832 Biff Helton, 931-242-8785 Shane Hughes, 931-242-1261 Bob Markus, 931-242-3816 Mark Miller, 931-242-0692 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 *June* and *July* is **Biff Helton**.

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

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# It's time to order your DISCIPLE shirts!



To order, go to <u>www.pulaskistreet.org</u>, and click on the link at the top of the page.

There is also an order form posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. John 15:8

# those in facilities

(This information was checked on Tuesday, July 11, 2023.) Please send cards, make phone calls, and visit those who are shut in.

KEESTONE, 322 Kennedy St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464. 931-766-4097

Bettye Holt, 306 (Pulaski Street member). Hospice care.

KEESTONE (cottage), 318 Kennedy St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464. **Dorothy Underwood**, cottage (mother of Pam Snider).

THE SUMMIT, 186 Prosser Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464 931-762-3524

**Nell Davis**, B-8 (Pulaski Street member). **Hazel Violet**, C-5 (Pulaski Street member).

### in own homes

Gennie Adams, P.O. Box 363, Hazel Green, AL 35750. Virginia Cole, 931-565-3331, 1557 Shores Rd., Goodspring, TN 38460.

If you or someone you know should be added to one of these lists, **please let us know.** 

### coming soon

### JULY

**Saturday, July 15: Ladies Bible Study** for teens and up, led by Kristen Mashburn. 9 a.m. in the main foyer. *Finding Joy*.

**Sunday, July 16: SPECIAL EVENT.** 1 p.m. Main foyer. Details on bulletin board, e-mails, and overhead announcements.

Sunday, July 16: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

July 17 – July 24: FB Reserved. Please note that the fellowship building will be reserved during this time for floor maintenance.

Sunday, July 23: 4th Sunday. 1 p.m. song service. Tuesday, July 25: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB. Sunday, July 30: 5th Sunday. Fellowship meal.

### **AUGUST**

Tuesday, August 1: First day of school for students in the LCSS. Sunday, August 6: Ice Cream Supper. Crockett Park, Shelter #1.

Tuesday, August 8: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB.

Friday, August 11: Seniors Ministry trip.

Sunday, August 13: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Saturday, August 19: Men's Breakfast. 8:30 a.m. in the FB.

Sunday, August 20: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB. Tuesday, August 22: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB. Sunday, August 27: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.

### **SEPTEMBER**

Saturday, September 2: Seniors Ministry Activity.
Sunday, September 3: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.
Tuesday, September 5: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB.
Saturday, September 9: Lawrence County Walk4Water.
Sunday, September 10: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.
Sunday, September 17: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.
Tuesday, September 19: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB.
Sunday, September 24: 4th Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.
Thursday, September 28: Seniors Ministry Outing.

# area opportunities

Sunday, July 16 – Wednesday, July 19: Gospel Meeting. Appleton Church of Christ. Speaker Ronnie Ray. 7 p.m. each evening.

Sunday, July 16 – Wednesday, July 19: Gospel Meeting. Simms Ridge Church of Christ. Speaker Paul Helton. Sunday 7:30 p.m. M-W 7 p.m.

Sunday, July 16 – Wednesday, July 19: Gospel Meeting. Lexington Church of Christ, Lexington, AL. Speaker Jeff Abrams. M-W 7 p.m.

Sunday, July 23 – Wednesday, July 26: Gospel Meeting. Loretto Church of Christ. Speaker Tim Grigsby. Sunday 2 p.m. M-W 7 p.m.

Sunday, July 23 – Thursday, July 27: Gospel Meeting. Gandy Church

of Christ. Speaker Willie Hamblen. Sunday 7:30 p.m. M-TH 7 p.m. Sunday, July 23 – Thursday, July 27: Gospel Meeting. Center Hill

Church of Christ. Speaker Bailey. Sunday 1 p.m. M-TH 7 p.m.

Saturday, July 29: Vacation Bible School Super Saturday. Midway church of Christ. *TLC: Trust, Loyalty, and Commitment*. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. Class rotation begins at 9 a.m. Lunch will be served. Dismissal/parent pick up: 1:30-2 p.m.

**Saturday, August 12**: **Men's Seminar.** East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN. *How to Maintain a Sound Congregation*. Speakers B.J. Clarke, Jim Dearman, Alan Highers. Registration begins at 8 a.m. Lunch will be served.

**Saturday, September 9**: **Girls' Day**. East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN. *Choosing Him*. Speakers will be Brooke Miller (daughter-in-law of Mark and Kristi Miller) and Bethany Nichols. Registration begins at 8:45 a.m. Lunch will be served.

### youth news

**July 13**<sup>th</sup>**-18**<sup>th</sup> **– Mission Trip!** Please keep our group in your prayers as we travel to Winslow, AZ, and work with the church there!

**July 23**<sup>rd</sup> - **Songs of Summer Outing!** We will head to Florence for an activity with the Savannah Church of Christ youth group prior to the singing at the UNA Christian Student Center. You will need to bring money for your supper and the activity. More details will be provided soon.

July 30<sup>th</sup> – Shoals Area Youth Series and Songs of Summer! We will head to Florence for SAYS and then head over to the singing at the UNA Christian Student Center.

August 6<sup>th</sup> - Ice Cream Supper!

August 12<sup>th</sup> – Back to School Brunch! This event is for girls who are in kindergarten and up. 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the FB. There will be a devotional and several activities. Please let Patsy Lee know by August 6<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.

This past week at Horizons, we observed the idea of being "Still". It was a great reminder to all of us, especially myself, that in the chaotic lives we lead, we still need to make time with God in the silence. I've absolutely loved the time I've been able to spend with Pulaski Street already, but I won't deny that my life has been incredibly busy and chaotic this summer. Even as a youth intern, I've found myself forgetting to stop every now and then, be still, recharge, and check in with my God.

I'd like you to consider one of the times in scripture that God provided this exact kind of stillness to one of his closest followers, Elijah. In 1 Kings 17, we are introduced to the prophet, and we are informed that there is to be a drought in the land for several years. Immediately after this, God sends Elijah to a hidden oasis called Cherith. Elijah spends some time there, where day after day he drinks from the brook and is delivered bread and meat by ravens. During this time, he had zero responsibilities and was able to spend complete one-on-one time with God. God is preparing Elijah for the ministry to come and allowing him to refill his cup.

When I get overwhelmed, a lot of times I end up turning to everything except the one source of true peace. I was challenged at Horizons to take time in my week to be still, and I'd like to challenge all of you to do the same this week. Take ten minutes by yourself tomorrow, and pray to God. You'll be amazed at the effect that just ten minutes with Him can have on you.

Finally, remember that stillness isn't where our change should stop. In verse 7, we see that after a while the brook dries up. The Lord tells Elijah to arise and get to work. Sometimes in our lives, the brook will dry up. Unexpected things will happen. It's only through continued stillness in God that we will be able to trust in Him and allow Him to lead us through. As one song says, God is "closer than my every breath, closer than my every step, closer than the song I sing, closer than anything". He's already with you, ready for you to reach out. Be still, spend time with Him, and allow Him to lead you through this week.

**Samuel Yokum** (summer intern)

# prayers are requested

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

**VICKIE CROUCH** is continuing with physical therapy three times a week and improving a little each day after rotator cuff surgery. Thankfully, her pain is not as severe now. *590 Watson Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

**BILLY HELTON** is scheduled for about five more weeks of physical therapy following his recent hip fracture and repair. *219 Waterloo Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.* 

**PATRICK HUGHES** is scheduled for an appointment next Monday, July 17, concerning his recent diagnosis of spinal stenosis. 295 Cotton Lane, Leoma, TN 38468.

**KATIE LEE** will be having more reconstructive surgery in about six weeks. She expects to begin radiation treatment once she has healed from that. She is scheduled for a consultation with her radiation oncologist this Friday, July 14. 400 Cherokee Hills Drive, Loretto, TN 38469.

**LARRY POPE** was able to be at church on Sunday, July 9. He continues to battle severe back problems and pain. *4479 Gimlet Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

LISA PARRISH, daughter-in-law of Jean Parrish and wife of Tony Parrish, was taken to the ER at STRHS-Lawrenceburg on Tuesday, July 11, with dangerously high potassium. We had not received an update by print time. 230 Jackson Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

<u>Please also continue to pray for these</u>: Tammy Foster, Sherman Harris, Mike Hughes, Pistol Marston, Jonathan Niedergeses, Connie Powell, Chris and Stephanie Taylor, Jennifer Brazier, Randy Britton, Jacque Calvert, Jerry Carden, Danny Case, Wayne Clayton, Verna Rogers Dunkin, Keith Faulkner, Shirley Futch, Jana Cross Gobble, Kenny Hamby, Michael Hollman, Katie Holman, Thomas Holman, Randall Holt, Steve Kelley, Ashley Kennedy, Franklin Lee, Copeland Marks and family, Tim and Renee Miller, Oliver Luke Morrow, Marie Nielsen, Tony and Lisa Parrish, Shirley Reed, William and Sandra Reed, Phil Reedy, Bethany Shoulders, Kade Shultz, Randall and Cathy Staggs, Mark Vaughn, James Weeks, Rachel Workman, and all those mentioned recently.



# thank you

Whether you kept us in your thoughts and prayers, sent delicious food, gave a memorial donation, or helped us out in any way, your love and kindness brought us great comfort and will always be remembered. Please keep our family in your prayers. Continue to also lift up Shayne, Sandy, and Kyla! We are all heartbroken and just don't know how to continue on!

Dear Pulaski Street,

We would like to thank you for your prayers and kind expressions of sympathy shown to our family following the passing of Don. Your support at this difficult time was very much appreciated and a great comfort to all the family.

With love, The Sweeton family