

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, April 7, 2024. Please go directly to your class when you arrive.

DOOR GREETERS (front foyer) for Sunday, April 7: Reggie and Pam Holt

AUDITORIUM GREETERS for Sunday, April 7:

- Group 2 Patsy Lee – East Wing
Tammy Foster – East Outside Aisle
Kevin Foster – East Center Aisle
Beth Keaton – West Center Aisle
Mike Hughes – West Outside Aisle
Tommy Lee, Facilitator – West Wing

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.

CONSOLE and PROJECTOR OPERATORS

- Sunday, April 7: Jeffrey Hughes and Jeremy Snider
Sunday, April 14: Russ Gallian and Russell Gibbons
Sunday, April 21: Russ Gallian and Russell Gibbons
Sunday, April 28: 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.

PLEASE HELP US WITH ANNOUNCEMENTS

When information is given by spoken word for announcements, it makes it difficult to ensure the information is accurate and complete, especially when it's given last minute. If you have any information that should be announced on Sundays or Wednesdays, please write it down on paper, or text it to Melanie, Sandy, Jacob, Jeremy, or one of the elders. This way, the information will be accurately received and much easier to share with the congregation.

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.

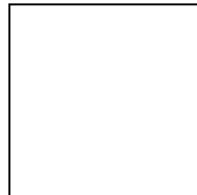
During church office hours (Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.), you may pick up personal communion kits and/or drop off your weekly contribution.

You may also mail contributions/donations to 247 Pulaski Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

March 27 and March 31, 2024

Table with 2 columns: Activity and Amount. Rows include Mid-Week Bible Study (195), Sunday Morning Bible Study (131), Sunday Morning Worship (257), Sunday Evening (n/a), Contribution (2024 Budget \$12,353.00) (\$22,120.00), and Average (last available) (\$11,458.98).

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247 Pulaski Street
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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Table with 2 columns: Service and Time. Rows include Sunday Bible Classes (9:30 a.m.), Sunday Morning Worship (10:30 a.m.), Sunday Evening (5:30 p.m.), and Wednesday Evening (7:00 p.m.).

BAPTISMAL CARE SCHEDULE

April 2024: Sandy Adams and Marian Isabell

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 3/4 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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Judging Others

Part One

Matthew 7:1 is arguably the most well-known and most abused passage in the Bible: "Judge not, that you be not judged." These words are frequently used defensively. One person will say to someone else in one way or another, "That's a sin; you shouldn't do that." The second person will defend himself by saying, "You can't judge me. Don't you know Jesus said not to judge?" But is this how Jesus intended for this passage to be used? Did He intend for us to use His words in Matthew 7:1 as a shield against rebuke and admonishment? In this article, we'll demonstrate what Jesus was not saying Matthew 7:1. In next week's article, we'll consider what Jesus was saying.

Judgment is demanded when deciding the innocence or guilt of a civilian. Leo Tolstoy believed, based on Matthew 7:1, that "Christ totally forbids the human institution of any law court" and that he "could mean nothing else by those words." But Jesus' prohibition cannot possibly mean the one thing Tolstoy says it must mean, for the context of Matthew 7:1 does not refer to judges in courts of law but rather to the responsibility of individuals to one another. Furthermore, Romans 13:1-7 underscores the authority that the government has in punishing wrongdoers. The idea is that one is first rightfully "judged" to be guilty of some crime before being punished.

Judgment is demanded when distinguishing between good and evil or truth and error. The prohibitive command "judge not" is followed almost immediately by two further commands. First, we are to avoid giving what is holy to dogs or throwing pearls before pigs (Matt. 7:6). The "dogs" and "pigs" represent impenitent unbelievers, while "what is holy" and "pearls" represent the good news. Second, we are to watch out for false prophets (Matt. 7:15-20). It would be impossible to obey either of these commands without using our critical judgment. In order to determine our behavior towards "dogs," "pigs," and "false prophets," we must first be able to recognize them, and in order to do that, we must exercise some critical discernment. Jesus' injunction to "judge not" cannot be understood as a command to suspend our critical faculties in relation to other people or to refuse to discern between good and evil or truth and error.

Judgment is demanded when disciplining a wayward brother or sister in Christ. This is essentially a sub-point to the previous point, and it answers the question we posed in the opening paragraph. If judgment in all its forms is prohibited, then the church would never be able to discipline those who go astray. Take a few moments to read 1 Corinthians 5:1-5. If Matthew 7:1 means what many folks think it means, then what do we do with Paul's teaching here? All the wayward person would have to do in this case is quote Matthew 7:1 and go on his merry way. Without judgment, there could be no discipline, and without discipline, where will this wayward brother in Christ more than likely end up? Sometimes you and I need to be corrected, admonished, or criticized, don't we? I know I do. As God's people, we should want to do what is right; consequently, we should accept criticism or judgment if it is based on the truth of God's Word (cf. Prov. 12:1).

We live in a culture of watered-down tolerance where people foolishly believe that the best thing for them is to be left to their own vices. As Christians, we know that loving others involves speaking the truth in love to them. On the one hand, it is detrimental to our spiritual welfare to use Matthew 7:1 as a defense against all judgment or criticism from others. On the other hand, it is detrimental to our spiritual welfare if everyone around us refuses to confront us with our sin because of an improper understanding and application of Matthew 7:1.

Jacob Evans

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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 April 2024 is Tim Hammond.

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

MINISTERS: Jacob Evans, 731-343-5325 Jeremy Gargis, 931-231-9557 AGAPE COUNSELOR, 931-762-8502

sympathy

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **REVA LEE**. Reva was the mother of **Tommy Lee**. She was the grandmother of **Sandi Cook** and **Andy Lee**. She was the wife of **Franklin Lee**. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., and a memorial service will begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, at Leoma Church of Christ.

Condolences may be sent to **Franklin Lee** at *131 Evans Road, Five Points, TN 38457*, to **Tommy and Patsy** at *3040 Hwy. 43 S., Loretto, TN 38469*, to **Sandi, Joe, and family** at *1128 Austin Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*, and to **Andy, Katie, and family** at *400 Cherokee Hills Drive, Loretto, TN 38469*.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **MARY DUKE**. Mrs. Duke was the aunt of **Nina Busby**. She was the sister-in-law of **Sue Gibbs**. Visitation will be Saturday, April 6, from 3 until 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 7, from 1 until 2 p.m. The funeral will be held on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m. at Williamson Memorial Funeral Home in Franklin, TN.

Condolences may be sent to **Nina and Kevin** and also to **Sue Gibbs** at *26 Gang Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **BOBBY COCKRELL, SR.** Bobby was the brother of **Danny Cockrell** and the brother-in-law of **Debbie Cockrell** and **Mary Alice Tidwell**. He was the husband of Mary Alice's sister, **Wanda Cockrell**. Visitation will be from 2 until 4 p.m., and a memorial service will begin at 4 p.m. on Friday, April 5, at Heritage Funeral Home in Columbia, TN.

Condolences may be sent to **Wanda Cockrell** at *3668 Stone Creek Drive, Spring Hill, TN 37174*, to **Danny and Debbie** at *4326 Hwy. 43 N., Ethridge, TN 38456*, and to **Mary Alice** at *407 Palmer Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **TOMMY HAMMOND**. Tommy was the brother of **Tim Hammond**. He was the uncle of **Heather Hammond**. He was the husband of **Krista Hammond**. Visitation was scheduled for Thursday, April 4, from 5 until 8 p.m. at Loretto Memorial Chapel. A graveside service will be held Friday, April 5, at 3 p.m. at Portertown Cemetery in Lexington, AL.

Condolences may be sent to **Krista Hammond** at *662 Ruby Richardson Drive, Killen, AL 35645*, to **Tim and Dawn** at *197 Old Jackson Hwy., Loretto, TN 38469*, and to **Heather** at *707 Lloyd Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

SCHRA: request for volunteers

We have been asked to pass along this information to you: the South Central Human Resource Agency is seeking volunteers to deliver lunchtime meals to senior citizens in Lawrence County. If you are interested in helping, please contact Heidi Horton at 931-762-1578 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

new phone number

TUCK and GINNY CHAPMAN have a new cell phone number. You may contact them on this new line at **931-629-6574**.

letter of repentance

On Wednesday, March 27, a letter from **RIVER ROBERTSON** was read to the congregation. In the letter, **River** requested forgiveness, and she asked for our prayers and support to help her stay on track. She is thankful for the support she is already receiving and the support she knows will continue. We rejoice with **River and her family**. Cards of encouragement may be sent to her at *1285 Knob Creek Road, Westpoint, TN 38486*.

thank you

God bless you with the same peace, hope, and love that you bring to the lives of others. Thanks for the get-well cards. God bless you all.

Charles Smith
(grandfather of **Jenifer Hughes**)

Thank you so much for the cards and prayers. They were truly a blessing to our family during this difficult time. May God bless your church and the people in it. Eric finishes his radiation on Tuesday and has already finished his chemo. Praise God! Thank you again for continuing to do God's work!

Love, **Eric, Charity, Sam, and Jessie Brown**

coming soon

Sunday, April 7: Our Special Contribution opportunity has been extended through next Sunday, April 7. This will give everyone the opportunity to contribute to the Building Fund. Thank you!

Sunday, April 7: Special Event. 1 p.m. in the foyer.

Sunday, April 7: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.
Tuesday, April 9: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB.
Wednesday, April 10: Songs Class. 6:15 p.m. in the auditorium.

Friday, April 12: Ladies Night.
5:30 p.m. here at Pulaski Street.
Our speaker will be **Debbie Dupuy**.
Dust Girl: Coming Out of the Ashes.

Sunday, April 14: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.
Tuesday, April 16: Seniors Ministry Biscuit & a Devo. 9 a.m. FB.
Sunday, April 21: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Tuesday, April 23: Dorcas Sewing and Coffee. Ladies, you are invited for **coffee and a treat** with the Dorcas Sewing Group at 10 a.m. in the fellowship building. All items made will be displayed, and the sewing group will briefly show the basics of how each item is created. **Please come and show support for this good work.**

Sunday, April 28: 4th Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.

area opportunities

Saturday, April 6: Ladies' Day. Leoma Church of Christ. Speaker Lori Boyd. *Love Your Neighbor as Yourself.* 9 a.m. Lunch at 11:15 a.m. RSVP to 931-851-9181 or office@leomachurch.org.

Thursday, April 21: Madison Makes Melody. An evening of acapella singing. Madison Church of Christ, Madison, AL. 5 p.m. A meal will follow.

Saturday, May 18 – Sunday, May 19: God and Science seminar. Pleasant Valley Church of Christ, Killen, AL. The speaker will be Dr. Mike Houts. Registration on Saturday begins at 8:30 a.m.

youth news

April 8th - Lions Hangout! Exact time will be announced later, but we will get together to watch the NCAA Basketball Championship game at the Gargises' house. No meal will be provided, but cookies will be!
April 10th - 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 14th - Maury County Area Wide! The April MCAW will take place at Northview Church of Christ. Meet in the south parking lot at 4:30 to head there. Supper will be provided.

April 18th – Lambs Activity! This will be an Earth Day activity in the fellowship building. We will be there from 3:15-5:15 p.m. The kids will be baking and doing crafts all centered on nature and spring veggies! Make your plans to be there! Special thanks to Abigail Jones for planning this activity!

April 28th - Lions Activity! This will take place at the home of Shayne and Sandy Adams at 5:30 p.m. Plan to be there!

May 1st – Good Works Wednesday! Lions, meet in the south parking lot at 5:00 to go make a visit and then eat supper before coming back for Bible class!

May 5th – Senior Night! Make your plans to come to the fellowship building at 5:30 p.m. for our annual Senior Night! Please plan to bring finger foods, desserts, and drinks. Baskets for each graduating senior will be available if you would like to shower them with gifts! (If you haven't already turned in your "senior picture" and about 15 spanning from birth to current age, please do so ASAP!)

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

Closing it out

What a great weekend Lads to Leaders was! Pulaski Street had 107 people attend this year, and we were able to enjoy time together, encourage one another, and see the fruits from the students' labor as they prepared throughout the year to participate in various categories.

This weekend couldn't possibly function the way that it does without some special people. While there are so many that do things to make this ministry successful, I will name a few that deserve extra notice.

Tammy Foster, Faith Foster, Charity Brown, and Kimberly Smith do a phenomenal job of running the hospitality suite! There are snacks and food galore, there are always plenty of drink options on ice (plus coffee at all times!), and these ladies are just fun to hang out with. We wouldn't be able to get our kids to their various events nearly as easily without the fantastic job that they do.

And, of course, there's Sandy Adams. Sandy is a master when it comes to organization, information sharing, and loving people. Simply put, Lads to Leaders doesn't happen at Pulaski Street without the work that she does. She's the best.

Until next time, **Jeremy Gargis**

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADS:

We need a photo of you for the bulletin. We would prefer your actual senior picture, but any good, clear picture will work. We need your FULL name and the name of the school from which you are graduating/have graduated. **College students**, we also need the degree you have achieved. **High school grads**, we need several photos (15-20 pics) of you throughout your life, from babyhood to now. We need photos of you involved in church youth group activities and/or classes. You may also give us photos of you involved in school activities, etc. Please e-mail your photos and information to pulstch@pulaskistreet.com. You can also text or give these to Melanie, Sandy, Jeremy, or Jacob.

Please send/turn in your photos BY THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 7!

prayers are requested

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

KIM BROWN will have to repeat her thyroid biopsy procedure again in four to six weeks. Not enough cells were retrieved during the latest attempt. The next one will be the fourth attempted biopsy of Kim's thyroid gland. *473 Annie Rooney Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

BOBBY CHAPMAN was expecting to return home on Wednesday, April 3, from a stay in STRHS-Lawrenceburg where he was treated for a bladder problem. He will be following up with a urologist soon. **NO VISITORS, PLEASE.** Please send cards to him at *513 Bumpas Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

VICKIE CROUCH is home after having carpal tunnel surgery last week at STRHS-L'burg. The surgery went well, and Vickie is home and recovering. She is scheduled for a follow-up visit with her surgeon on Friday, April 12. *590 Watson Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

MARK GANDEE is scheduled to have a cancer treatment procedure on Wednesday, April 10. *473 Annie Rooney Road, L'burg, TN 38464*.

MIKE HUGHES was scheduled to have ablation surgery this Friday, April 5, in Franklin, TN. This surgery will be to close off two veins in his right leg due to the fact that the valves in those vessels do not close as they should. *2231 Harlan Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

ELIZABETH LAND is scheduled to see her surgeon on April 25 to schedule procedures that will be done to improve blood flow in her veins. Everything that can be done for the arteries has already been done. *227 Garner Lane, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

DARRIN MCKAMEY is scheduled to have a procedure next Tuesday, April 9, to put in a port to be used for his treatment going forward. He expects to be undergoing three more cycles of immunotherapy and chemotherapy. He may need to have another blood transfusion prior to having the port procedure. He is also being prescribed some new medications to hopefully alleviate symptoms and side effects that have developed. *614 Aspen Court, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

CONNIE POWELL had a follow-up appointment with her surgeon on Tuesday, April 2, during which the surgical drains were removed. Connie is doing some better and is hoping to be able to rest better now. She is scheduled for another check-up in two weeks. *66 Jordan Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

HAZEL VIOLET is now in NHC Lawrenceburg for physical therapy after being very seriously ill for the past few weeks. She plans to return to The Summit once she is stronger. She hopes to be able to have visitors by this coming weekend. Please send cards to Hazel c/o NHC Lawrenceburg, *374 Brink Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

DANNY CASE, father of **Tommy Case**, has had three chemotherapy treatments so far and has tolerated them well. He will have a two-week break prior to his next treatment. Following his course of chemo, Danny will undergo radiation treatment five days a week for seven weeks. *215 Smith Circle, Loretto, TN 38469*.

DECLAN GAMBLE, one-year-old (nearly two) great-great-nephew of **Tommy and Patsy Lee**, was seriously injured in an accident Saturday evening, March 30. Declan suffered hip, femur, and arm fractures and a small laceration to his liver. He had surgery on Monday, April 1, at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital. Thankfully, it went well, and his family was hoping Declan would be able to return home Wednesday, April 3. *65 Gamble Road, Five Points, TN 38457*.

LARRY MURDOCK, preacher at Gandy/radio evangelist for Voice of Truth, was scheduled to meet with his surgeon on Thursday, April 4, to schedule surgery for three heart blockages. *53 Long Branch Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464*.

CHARLES SMITH, grandfather of **Jenifer Hughes**, was scheduled to have his first radiation treatment on Thursday, April 4, for basal cell carcinoma. His course of treatment will continue through next week. *1206 S. Chipman Street, Owosso, MI 48867*.

Please continue to pray for these and for all those recently mentioned