

UPCOMING WORSHIP INFO

We will be meeting in person for **Sunday morning Bible classes at 9:30 a.m.** and for **worship at 10:30 a.m.** on **April 11**. Please go directly to your class when you arrive.

Masks are available for your use as you arrive. We are using individual/personal communion kits. Bottled water is available. We encourage you to continue to use social distancing.

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, April 11: **Mark Evans and Shayne Adams**
 Sunday, April 18: **Ethan Hammond and Mark Miller**
 Sunday, April 25: **Ethan Hammond and Mark Miller**
 Sunday, May 2: **Russ Gallian and Joe Cook**

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 encouraged) as you enter.
- Maintain social distancing (e.g., please avoid handshaking or hugging).
- 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**.

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Mid-Week Bible Study.....	107
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Contribution (2021 Budget \$10,975.00).....	\$13,266.00
Average (last available).....	\$11,746.52

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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 April 12 – April 16 will be hosted
 by the **COUNTY LINE** 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

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Strive

A few years back I caught a story on ESPN about a triathlete named Kate Conklin. She suffers from a disease called "erythromelalgia," commonly known as the "Man on Fire" syndrome. Its symptoms are as the name suggests: you literally feel like you are on fire. At one point, she contemplated committing suicide, and one evening she even wrote a letter to this effect. The next morning, she awoke, and two options were staring her in the face: "get busy living" or "get busy dying." Fortunately, she chose to live. Today, despite the pain, she presses on as a triathlete and personal trainer. Kate Conklin knows what it means to "strive."

In Hebrews 4:11, we read, "Let us therefore **strive** to enter that rest so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience" (emphasis added). The Greek word translated "strive" in this verse is *spoudazo*. It is a rather forceful verb that means "to be zealous," "to be eager," "to exert oneself," "to make every effort," or "to give all diligence." It speaks of focused attention toward the accomplishment of some task or the attainment of some goal. In Hebrews 4:11, the goal is the promised rest that awaits all those who remain faithful (cf. 4:1). Below are some other passages that use this same verb or a cognate:

- 2 Timothy 2:15, "**Do your best** to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth."
- 2 Peter 1:5, "For this very reason, **make every effort** to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge. . . ."
- 2 Peter 1:10-11, "Therefore, brothers, **be all the more diligent** to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."
- 2 Peter 3:14, "Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, **be diligent** to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace."

Spoudazo also has its share of synonyms. For instance, consider Hebrews 12:14, which reads, "**Strive** (*diōkō*) for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord."

Let's refuse to listen to those who say that Christianity is a passive endeavor. It is not. The command to strive in Hebrews 4:11 is also a solemn warning. If we are going to make it to the end and be found faithful in the end, we are going to have to strive for it. If we do not strive, we will fall.

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 April, May, and June is **Tim Hammond**.

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 Shadrack

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

NEW ADDRESS

ROBERT and CAROLYN MORRIS have moved to 402B Paradise Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464. Please make a note of this new address in your directory.

COMING SOON

Tuesday, April 13: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the fellowship building.

Saturday, April 24: "God and Science" Seminar for Hispanic families. Ingram Sowell Elementary School. See details below.

Tuesday, April 27: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the fellowship building.

Sunday, May 9: Mother's Day.

Sunday, May 16: Honoring our graduates. Details to come.

"GOD and SCIENCE" SEMINAR for Hispanic families

On Saturday, April 24, **Dr. Mike Houts**, the Nuclear Research Manager at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, will be conducting a seminar entitled "God and Science" at Ingram Sowell Elementary School for Hispanic families. There will be a total of four lessons: two sessions before lunch (10:00; 11:00) and two sessions after lunch (1:00; 2:00). Lunch will be provided at noon. Rodolfo has obviously been instrumental in planning and organizing this event.

In order to allow parents to listen to these lessons without distraction, their children will need to be supervised in the gym. If you would like to hang with these kids either before lunch or after lunch, **sign-up sheets are now available** on both sides of the foyer. For those who plan to get involved, a discussion about Covid-19 protocols and other matters will take place prior to the event.

AREA OPPORTUNITIES

Saturday, April 10: Ladies Day. East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN. Breakfast and registration, 8:15 a.m. Program, 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. with lunch served in the annex. The speaker will be Lori Boyd. The theme is *Joy*. RSVP by Monday, April 5.

Saturday, April 17: Young Men's Seminar. East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN. 8:45 a.m. until noon. The speaker will be Josh Pierce. Lunch will be served.

April 30 – May 1: 12th Annual Coats Farm Benefit Trail Ride and Auction. All proceeds go to the North Alabama Christian Children's Home. Events include a Yard Sale, Trail Ride, Auction, etc. Please see flyer on bulletin board for details. FYI: *Pulaski Street has been a supporter of the North Alabama Christian Children's Home for the past several years.*

May 12 – 16: Bible Lectureship. "Never Leave the Lord." East Hill Church of Christ, Pulaski, TN. 17 lessons in 5 days.

SYMPATHY

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **CAROLYN FRAZIER**. Carolyn was the wife of **David Frazier**. A graveside service was held on Tuesday, April 6, at Mimosa Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to **David** at 416 Douglas Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to **Jack Butler** on the death of his brother, **HENRY BUTLER**. Henry lived in Bells, TN, and arrangements are being handled by Bells Chapel funeral home. A memorial service will be held later.

Condolences may be sent to **Jack and Judy** at 1000 Pine Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to **Amanda Maggard and family** on the death of her cousin, **CINDY VERHOFF**. Cindy lived in St. Louis, MO.

Condolences may be sent to **Amanda, Dustin, and family** at 2825 S. Mt. Ararat Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

PHOTOS NEEDED

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 do. 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, sports activities, community events, etc.

Please e-mail your photos and information to pulstch@pulaskistreet.com by **Sunday, April 18**.

You can also text or give these to Melanie, Jeremy, or Jacob.

Ten Things I'd Do If I Had My Child Over Again

1. Finger paint more and point fingers less.
2. Do less correcting and more connecting.
3. Take my eyes off my watch and watch with my eyes.
4. Take more hikes and fly more kites.
5. Stop playing serious and more seriously play.
6. Run through more fields and gaze at more stars.
7. Do more hugging and less tugging.
8. Be firm less often and affirm much more.
9. Build self-esteem first and the house later.
10. Teach less about the love of power and more about the power of love.

– adapted from *Dianna Loomans*

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

YOUTH NEWS

Thursday, April 8 - Girls Devo! Girls in the 7th grade and up, plan on attending a girls-only devotional at the Gargises' house at 6:00 p.m.! Supper will be provided. Please make your plans to attend!

April 18th - Deadline to turn in senior pictures! Please submit a formal senior picture, as well as up to 20 pictures spanning from birth to current age. If you would like to submit additional group pictures, that is fine also!

April 18th - Soul Food Sunday! This will be for those in 7th grade and up, and will be at the Gargises' house! Come at 6 p.m. for a meal, a devotional, and singing!

Saturday, April 24th - Help with Hispanic Ministry Project! For anyone who is able to help, please come to Ingram Sowell Elementary between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.! There will be a lunch provided at 12:00. If you can't be there all day, that's fine! Come for what you can. Of course, I would love to have you come help all day! This will be a great opportunity to help serve in our community.

May 16th - Honor our Seniors! More details will be given as we get closer to this time, but make sure to mark your calendars for this day!

I don't know that I have ever seen the entirety of *Fiddler on the Roof*, but I can recall hearing my mom and dad singing the song "Sunrise, Sunset" from the musical many, many times growing up. If memory serves me correctly, it is one of the songs they sang at various weddings over the years.

"Is this the little girl I carried? Is this the little boy at play?" Time sure has a way of getting by us, doesn't it? Later in the song there is another line that sticks in my mind from days gone by, and it rings true now: "Seedlings turn overnight to sunflowers blossoming even as we gaze."

There is no doubt that becoming a parent emphasizes that our days are fleeting. Plenty of my mentors have told me that this feeling only grows as you get older, and I believe them. I believe the half-brother of Jesus when he wrote in James 4:14 that we are "a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes." Life has a way of passing by quickly, and it certainly seems that it gains speed the older we get.

Since this is the case, it makes it even that much more important that we keep in mind what Paul wrote in Ephesians 5:15-16, "Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil." We really don't have that much time, so it is important for us to take advantage of what we do have!

"Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth..."

- Ecclesiastes 12:1

Until next time...

Jeremy

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

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

ROBBIE GUTHRIE had a CT scan and appointments with her radiologist and oncologist last week. We are thankful to report that results were good. Robbie is scheduled for an appointment with a pulmonologist on April 26. She also continues to battle significant swelling in her legs and feet. 1804 Jean Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

CLEO KEATON's health has continued to decline throughout this past year. She is now receiving hospice care at NHC Lawrenceburg. Mrs. Cleo is 96 years old. 374 Brink St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

RACHEL, JUSTICE, MADDOX, PARKER, SETH, and all the Hughes family are doing well after their recent diagnosis of Covid-19. Their quarantine has ended, and they hope to be back at church this week. 295 Cotton Lane, Leoma, TN 38468.

DAVID BAGGETT, former coworker of **Danny Kennedy**, is battling stage four stomach and liver cancer.

JOY BROWN, grandmother of **Jeremy Gargis**, is back at her home and doing pretty well after recently suffering a stroke. 2845 County Road 81, Florence, AL 35633.

PATRICE EZELL, sister of **Danny Kennedy**, is home and doing better after a stay in Maury Regional with kidney and heart issues.

JERRY JACO, cousin of **Tim Clifton** (and Jerry lives near **Rebecca and Joe Miele's** Ellingson Family Farm at Long Branch), is home and continuing to recover after recently suffering a serious arm injury and having surgeries to repair the damage. 61 Nelson Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

FAY MABRY, who is known to many at Pulaski Street, recently suffered a massive stroke. She is now in an assisted living facility in Murfreesboro. **Nita Pinckley** has requested prayers for Fay.

O.V. MARTIN, cousin of **Thelma McCloud** and **Dorothy Collins**, is in Vanderbilt UMC after suffering severe injuries in a recent car accident. He is paralyzed from the waist down. He has developed pneumonia since being hospitalized, and he had a tracheostomy on Monday, April 5. O.V. is 75 years old, and he lives in Pulaski, TN. Please pray for him and his family.

The Best Things

"The best things are nearest: breath in your nostrils, light in your eyes, flowers at your feet, duties at your hand, the path of right just before you. Then do not grasp at the stars, but do life's plain, common work as it comes, certain that daily duties and daily bread are the sweetest things of life."

—*Robert Louis Stevenson*

"I will praise the Lord according to His righteousness, and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High." Psalm 7:17

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