

UPCOMING WORSHIP INFO

We will be meeting in person in the auditorium for worship at 10:30 a.m. on August 15.

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. You can deposit your contribution in a basket in the foyer.

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, August 15: **Mark Evans and Shayne Adams**

Sunday, August 22: **Ethan Hammond and Mark Miller**

Sunday, August 29: **Ethan Hammond and Mark Miller**

We will not be meeting on Wednesday, August 18, but we will resume as soon as possible. Please watch for announcements via Facebook, e-mail, etc.

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.

August 4 and August 8, 2021

Mid-Week Bible Study.....	114
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Contribution (2021 Budget \$10,975.00).....	\$6,975.00
Average (last available).....	\$11,359.27

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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 August 16 – August 20 will be hosted
by the LEOMA 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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My Time with Covid-19

I had been having some nasal congestion for a few days. Sure, I did wonder here and there if it was a symptom of the pandemic-producing coronavirus, but I didn't have a fever, a cough, or a headache. I still had my sense of taste and smell. I had been vaccinated, and Melanie, our church secretary, had recently dealt with severe sinus issues and tested negative for Covid-19. Allergies, I thought, it's just allergies.

On Wednesday morning, August 4, I met with several ladies for a Bible study in the fellowship building. Although I didn't wear a mask, I don't recall coming within six feet of anyone. That evening, I spoke at the summer series for the Graymere Church of Christ in Columbia, TN. I did come within six feet of a few people, and I wasn't wearing a mask. I wish I had known on that Wednesday what I learned the next day.

On Thursday morning, August 5, as I had been doing for over a year, I worked out at my cousin's makeshift gym in his parents' garage. The weightlifting went well, though I did notice that my Reign™ Orange Dreamsicle (an energy drink) tasted different. After arriving home, I poured myself a bowl of cereal, took a bite, and immediately realized that my sense of taste had essentially vanished. I tested my sense of smell on a stick of deodorant, a scented candle, and a bottle of vinegar. They smelled like air. *Oh no! I've got the Rona!* After showering, I drove to One Stop Medical. Within ten minutes, I was sitting in an examination room and being tested for Covid-19. It was a rapid test, and it took no more than two minutes to receive the results: "Mr. Evans, you are positive for Covid-19." Below are a few things I've experienced since testing positive:

- **Alienation.** With Covid-19, as all of us know, there are quarantine protocols. I decided to take up residence in my parents' basement for five days, so that my family could potentially test out of their quarantine early. My parents have been forced to treat me like Sloth from *The Goonies*, leaving food at the top of the stairs. We've communicated through texts, even though I'm currently living in the same house with them. Besides phone calls, Brit and the kids have dropped by each day for a brief, socially-distanced visit outside. It's weird (even awkward) not getting to hug my wife and kids.
- **Guilt.** I realize that guilt is not a rational response in this circumstance, but I've felt bad for the effect that my diagnosis has had on others. Several who had been around me prior to the diagnosis naturally became concerned for their own health. My children, who love school, have had to miss the first day of school and then some. While I've slept, read books, and watched movies to pass the time, my wife has had to manage our household without any help from me.
- **Gratitude.** As I see the images on social media and TV or hear/read the stories of folks who have landed in the ICU because of this virus, I can't help but feel thankful that my symptoms have been mild, though my heart does go out to those families who are either anxious or grieving in the wake of a loved one's diagnosis. I am also thankful to the googol (look it up) of people who have reached out to me via phone calls and texts to check on me, offer help, or drop a well-wish. My relatives, friends, elders, co-workers (a.k.a., the P-Street Dream Team), and church family are second to none.
- **Longing.** I long to return home. I long to embrace my wife and kids. I long to sleep in my own bed. [No offense, Mama Shirl and Cool Pops, but the bed in the basement wasn't made for tall people.] I long to get my sense of taste and smell back. Of course, beyond all of these little longings, those of us who are Christians should be longing for something else . . . something bigger . . . something transcendently wonderful: *the return of Jesus Christ* (Phil. 3:20-21). When He returns, He'll take us to be with Him forever in a place where pandemics don't exist and where we never have to leave home (Rev. 21:1-7).

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 July, August, and September is **Biff Helton**.

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

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sympathy

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **CLIFFORD DOYLE JOHNSON**. Doyle was the brother of **Hazel Violet** and the uncle of **Kristi Miller**. He was a member of the West Fayetteville Church of Christ. A graveside service was held on Friday, August 6, in Fayetteville, TN.

Condolences may be sent to **Hazel** at 540 8th St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

Condolences may be sent to **Kristi, Mark, and family** at 991 Paige Dr., Lawrenceburg, TN. 38464.

e-mail issues

At the time of this printing (Tuesday, August 10), we were unable to send/receive from our church e-mail account (pulstch@pulaskistreet.com). Until that is fixed, please use pulaskistreet@gmail.com. Thank you!

magi boxes – deadline extended

MAGI boxes are now available in the foyer. Please choose a box that is labeled with the age of the boy or girl for whom you would like to purchase items. A list of approved items and more details are inside the box. Please return your box by **Sunday, August 29th**. If you have any questions, please contact **Sandy Adams**.

coming soon

Please be aware that, due to the increase in Covid-19 cases in our area and this congregation, postponements, cancellations, and rescheduling may need to occur.

AUGUST

Tuesday, August 24: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the fellowship building.

Sunday, August 29: Hispanic Friends and Family Day. 10:15 a.m. in the fellowship building. Rodolfo has invited many Hispanic friends throughout Tennessee to attend this meeting. If you have Hispanic friends, neighbors, coworkers, relatives, etc., Rodolfo encourages you to invite them to be here on this date.

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, September 7: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the fellowship building.

Saturday, September 18: Lawrence County Walk4Water. The goal is to raise money for drilled wells in Haiti, to repair previously drilled wells, and to support Haitians with various programs such as sustainable agriculture and disaster relief, while teaching them about Jesus, His love for them, and the everlasting, living water He provides. Please support this very worthy and fun event.

Go to <https://www.hhi.org/walk4water/lawrenceburg-tn-2021> for more information, sign up, or donate.

Tuesday, September 21: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the fellowship building.

schedule changes

Due to the increase in positive cases of COVID-19 in our area and this congregation, the elders have decided:

The **Men's Breakfast** that had been scheduled for this Saturday, August 14, has been **cancelled**.

We will **not** be meeting in person for **Bible class on Sunday, August 15**.

We **WILL** continue meeting for worship at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays as usual.

The **online Sunday night Bible class** is **cancelled for the time being**.

On Wednesday, August 18, **Ladies Bible Class** will **not** meet, and we will **not** be having **Wednesday evening Bible study**.

ladies retreat 2022

Ladies Retreat 2022 will be January 7 – 9! Brittany is currently planning the details and figuring out reservations for this event. Obviously, she needs to know how many beds will be needed. If we have a large number (and hopefully, we will), we will probably be traveling to a location that's at least two hours away from Lawrenceburg.

If you plan to attend and spend the night, **please let Brittany know as soon as possible**. The cost will be \$75 per person. (The cost could decrease a bit, depending on the number of ladies participating.)

area opportunities

Wednesday nights through September: Summer Series. Lone Cedar Church of Christ. Florence, AL. 7 p.m. The theme is "You are the Words and the Music." Variety of speakers.

August 14: Men's Seminar. East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN. 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Multiple speakers.

August 21: Ladies Day. Plainview Church of Christ, Hazel Green, AL. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Program begins at 9:30 a.m. Individual boxed lunches will be served after the program. Speakers Kila Watts and Rachel McCauley. Theme: *When Life Gives You Lemons, Let God Make the Lemonade*.

September 5 thru 8: Revival in America. Campaign for Christ. The Diana Singing Shed, Cornersville, TN. You're also invited to the planning session at 6 p.m. on August 2 at West Fayetteville Church of Christ.

September 11: Girls' Day. East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN. Theme: *Harvesting Godly Thoughts*. Speaker Laura Jenkins. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be served.

youth news

August 15th - Teen Devo Cancelled. Due to the current Covid situation at Pulaski Street, all activities have been cancelled until further notice.

August 20th- 22nd – Area-wide Joint Retreat! We are going to be re-evaluating the numbers within our congregation and area at the end of this week to determine whether or not we are going to take a group to this retreat. It is my prayer that we will be able to continue with it as planned! I still need you to sign up if you plan to attend, and you can see me to do so. If it does occur, we will be participating along with the Ethridge and Leoma churches, and all students in 7th-12th grades are invited.

September 25th - RUSH at FHU! We will go over for the Saturday of RUSH! See me to sign up by September 12th. You will need to bring money for three meals.

October 1st-3rd - Family Retreat! This will be held at Maywood Christian Camp in Hamilton, AL once again. I am excited to be able to do this after having to put it off the last two springs! The cost to attend will be \$35 per person with a limit of \$130 per household. All meals and a shirt will be provided. You will need to bring drinks that you enjoy drinking (bottled water will be provided), as well as personal snacks and community snacks. Please sign up by Wednesday, September 12th.

October 22nd-24th - Erupt Youth Rally! This youth rally is held in a cave! Everything takes place in The Volcano Room at Cumberland Caverns. What a cool setting to join with others and worship God, learn more about Him, and be motivated to more appropriately live for Him! It will cost \$50, which will cover a portion of your registration and hotel costs. You will also need money for meals. If you plan to go, you must sign up by September 29th, and see me to do so.

There is much uncertainty related to some of our events in the short-term, but there are still lots of things coming up that I am excited about! Do I like that we have had to cancel a couple of devotionals? No, I don't. Do I like that a couple of other upcoming events are still a bit up in the air? Again, absolutely not. But, I do look forward to the opportunities that wait for us in the days ahead!

While this isn't necessarily a case of "discipline," it reminds me of what the Hebrews writer had to say in Hebrews 12:11-13: "For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet..."

Do you remember how good it was to get back to doing things together after the extended shut-down last year? It made things that we had taken for granted for so long seem that much better! I am confident that this is another similar situation. So, for myself and all of us, don't worry about the present frustrations of cancellations and postponements. Rather, look ahead to the excitement of good things to come!

Until next time...**Jeremy**

prayers are requested

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

NELL DAVIS is continuing with physical therapy at STRHS-Lawrenceburg, Rm. 125, after being hospitalized with blood pressure problems. 1109 Hickory Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

JACOB, BRITTANY, and **REESE EVANS** have all tested positive for Covid-19. **Jacob** is recovering after being diagnosed last week. **Brittany** and **Reese** were diagnosed this week; **Brittany** was having a cough and congestion, and **Reese** had fever. 227 Parkes Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

ROBBIE GUTHRIE had a PET scan last week. Unfortunately, cancer was confirmed in her lung. She'll be having more tests, including a lung biopsy scheduled for August 19. The biopsy will determine the type of treatment that will be done. 1804 Jean St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

SCOTT, JERRI, CAMRY, and **EMILY Harris** have all recently tested positive for Covid-19. As of Tuesday, August 10, **Jerri** and **Emily** had no symptoms. **Scott** and **Camry** had fever and sinus congestion. 24 Hardin Loop Rd., West Point, TN 38486.

JAMES MCCLLOUD had heart stent surgery last week at North Alabama Medical Center in Florence, AL. Four stents were placed, and James was able to return home the next day. At last report, he was recovering well. 512 Bumpas Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

TONY and LISA PARRISH appreciate the prayers and concern for them as they are both coping with ongoing health problems. 230 Jackson Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

TERRI ROSE is continuing to gradually recover from Covid-19. As of Tuesday, August 10, her breathing was a little better. 180 Curry Rd., Pulaski, TN 38478.

MEGAN SHADRICK was doing much better on Tuesday, August 10, after recently being diagnosed with Covid-19. 311 Land Rd., Leoma, TN 38468.

CHARLES NEAL, husband of **Vickie Neal**, was transported to St. Thomas West on Saturday, August 7, with health problems. He was admitted to Rm. 355 and was still there as of Tuesday, August 10. **Vickie and family** would appreciate prayers for Charles. P.O. Box 363, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

EDDY COTHREN, father of **Jacob Cothren**, suffered injuries to some of his fingers while working with a table saw on Tuesday, August 11. The family would appreciate prayers for him. 243 Nelson Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

TERRY EVANS, father of **Mark Evans**, had more tests last week concerning his two leaking heart valves. The family expects to have a consultation appointment soon to confirm treatment options. 1533 Voss Rd., Columbia, TN 38401.

DEBBIE JOHNSON, niece of **Hazel Violet**/cousin of **Kristi Miller**, is still on the ventilator and continuing to battle Covid-19 in Huntsville Hospital's CCU. She has also developed pneumonia and was not doing very well as of Tuesday, August 10. The family would appreciate prayers for her.

Please also continue to pray for **Dean Bowling, Kym Bilbrey Brown, Theresa Brown, Ricardo Diaz, Cleo Keaton, Michael Mashburn, Debbie Phann, Arturo Balbaro, Anita Bick, Jeff Clifton, Rosie Daniel, Bernadette Gray, Kala Murrell, Dorothy Pope, Jenna Sanders, Dwain Shaw,** and all those who have been mentioned recently.