

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, January 22, 2023**. Please go directly to your class when you arrive.

DOOR GREETERS (front foyer) for **Sunday, January 22:**
Brad and Emily Nielsen

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 the slot boxes 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, January 22: **Jeffrey Hughes and Jeremy Snider**

Sunday, January 29: **Jeffrey Hughes and Jeremy Snider**

Sunday, February 5: **Mark Evans and Caleb Evans**

Sunday, February 12: **Mark Evans and Caleb Evans**

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.

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**.

January 11 and January 15, 2023

Mid-Week Bible Study.....	184
Sunday Morning Bible Study.....	189
Sunday Morning Worship.....	287
Sunday Evening Worship.....	137
Contribution (2023 Budget \$11,909.00).....	not available
Average (last available).....	\$14,345.94

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247 Pulaski Street
Lawrenceburg, TN 38464

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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.
*4 th Sundays, 1 p.m. song service. 5 th 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 January 23 – January 27 will be hosted by the **DEERFIELD** 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. 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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Spiritual Shepherds

In his book entitled *They Smell Like Sheep*, Lynn Anderson describes his overarching purpose of the book as helping elders and would-be elders move from the boardroom and into the pasture. While there are good reasons to question some of Anderson's suggestions in accomplishing this goal, I do believe his vision is biblical. I also believe it is imperative that elders capture this vision and find ways to make it a reality.

Utilizing secular business models, elders in various congregations have often functioned as "trustees" or as a "board of directors." They supervise staff, control budgets, maintain facilities, coordinate ministers, and plan missions. Seeing this "overseer" or "administrator" role as primary, not a few elderships have tended to facilitate the existence of churches that are well-organized at the expense of mentoring, equipping, and caring for souls. In other words, the chairs in the so-called "board room" fit their bodies like a glove, but they know nothing of the pasture. They are aloof from the flock, and they certainly don't smell like sheep. Many elderships, but not all, have unfortunately sought to insulate themselves from the flock, because not only are they more comfortable with a business-like model, but they also realize that to go into the pasture is messy, challenging, and risky.

A survey of certain relevant passages in the Bible demonstrates that caring for the souls of the sheep or attending to the spiritual needs of the flock should be viewed as a spiritual shepherd's primary responsibility and the goal of his service to the congregation. It is about souls, not statistics. It is about human beings, not budgets or buildings. It is about people, not power, prestige, or prominence. In Ezekiel 34:4, God rebukes the shepherds of Israel in that day: "The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the injured you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with force and harshness you have ruled them." Now, if we turn that around and say the opposite, we get a good description of the responsibility of spiritual shepherds: "You have strengthened the weak, healed the sick, and bound up the injured. You have brought back the strays and searched for the lost. You have ruled them kindly and gently." Only when shepherds embody this description do they become co-laborers with God in leading a flock toward spiritual maturity, spiritual preservation, and the abundant life.

Turning to the New Testament, we find the same emphasis: "pay careful attention . . . to all the flock" (Acts 20:28a); "care for the church of God" (Acts 20:28b); "care for God's church" (1 Tim. 3:5); "[keep] watch over [their] souls, as those who will have to give an account" (Heb. 13:17); "shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight" (1 Pet. 5:2). This overarching responsibility of caring for souls or spiritually shepherding God's people involves teaching people (Titus 1:9; cf. 1 Tim. 3:2), admonishing people (1 Thess. 5:12; Titus 1:9), praying for people (James 5:14), equipping people for service (Eph. 4:11-15), mediating conflict between people (Acts 15:6), and providing a Christ-like example for the people that is worthy of imitation (1 Pet. 5:3; cf. Heb. 13:7). A man who does not sincerely love people and who is not genuinely concerned about the spiritual welfare of people has no business being an elder or spiritual shepherd. Moreover, measures must frequently be taken to ensure that spiritual shepherds have the time and resources to accomplish their primary responsibility of caring for souls.

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 *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

prayers are requested

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

RANDY BRITTON is scheduled to have another bladder cancer surgery this Thursday, January 19, at Maury Regional Hospital to remove additional tissue and determine a treatment plan. 365 Chicken Creek Rd., Pulaski, TN 38478.

LISA PARRISH, the wife of **Tony Parrish** and daughter-in-law of **Jean Parrish**, was in NHC-Maury Regional Transitional Care Center, Rm. 2302, as of Tuesday, January 17, undergoing physical and occupational therapy and being monitored for fluid buildup. Cards and phone calls are appreciated. NHC-MRTCC, 5010 Trotwood Ave, Columbia, TN 38401, or home: 230 Jackson Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

CONNIE POWELL had outpatient surgery on Monday, January 16, to remove a mass in her right shoulder; the mass will be biopsied. The procedure went well. Connie is also scheduled for a needle biopsy of her breast on Tuesday, January 24, and skin cancer surgery on Wednesday, February 8. 66 Jordan Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

JERRY CARDEN, husband of **Christine Carden** who is a dear friend of **Penny Helton**, is battling cancer. ADDRESS CORRECTION: 22 Aldridge Rd., Leoma, TN 38468 (not Lawrenceburg).

WAYNE CLAYTON, a dear friend of **Jack and Judy Butler**, is now in NHC Lawrenceburg (Brink St.), Rm. 104B. He is undergoing therapy for several health issues. Wayne and his wife, **Mary Ann**, are known to many here. COMPLETE ADDRESS: 709 8th Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

KEITH FAULKNER, friend of **Jacob Evans**, was hospitalized at STRHS on Sunday, January 15, with an exacerbation of COPD. He was released on Monday, January 16, to return home with medication. 1149 Kent St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

PATSY OSBORN HORN, step-daughter of **Jackie Osborn** and cousin of **Tim Clifton**, is recovering at home from recent colon surgery. 1711 Whippoorwill Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

JACKIE OSBORN, aunt of **Tim Clifton**, was still in Maury Regional Hospital, Rm. 176, as of Tuesday, January 17, being treated for a perforated colon and three intestinal abscesses. She had another colon surgery on Tuesday, but we had no report by print time. 305 Redhill Center Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

Please also continue to pray for: **Ginny Chapman, Ricardo Diaz, Pistol Marston, Tony Parrish, Debbie Phann, Larry and Bonnie Pope, Bertha Shelton, Stephanie Taylor, Danny Case, Jamie Casteel, Pattie Clevenger, Jeff Clifton, Doyle Cooper, Susan Fisher, Sue Gibbs, Marissa Grigsby, Katie Holman, Steve Kelley, Tim and Renee Miller, Oliver Morrow, Robert Osborn, Gearldean Reedy, Kade Shultz, Sarai Sockwell, Charley Staggs, Randall and Cathy Staggs, Darlene Surratt, Don Sweeton, Mark Vaughn, James Weeks, Rachel Workman**, and all those mentioned recently.

sympathy

We extend Christian love and sympathy to **April Rigsby** on the death of her cousin, **RANDALL KENNEDY**. Randall, age 87, was the husband of the late **Martha Anne Mathis Kennedy**. Martha Anne was the sister of the late **Jan Clifton**. Visitation will be held from 2 until 4 p.m. on February 4 at the Edinburg Volunteer Fire Dept. in Edinburg, VA, followed by a private burial.

Condolences may be sent to **April** at 515 E. Heights St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

youth news

Sunday, January 22nd - Shoals Area Youth Series! Meet in the south parking lot at 4:00 p.m. to head to HCU. Supper will be provided.

Monday, January 23rd - 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, January 22nd, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's.

Sunday, January 29th - Lions Activity! This will take place at the Cooks' house at 5:30 p.m. Make your plans to be there!

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

Sunday, February 5th - Maury County Area Wide! This month's area wide will take place at the Highland Church of Christ. Meet in the south parking lot at 4:00 p.m. to head there. Supper will be provided.

Wednesday, February 8th - 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!

Monday, February 13th - 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, February 12th, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's.

Sunday, February 19th - Lions Activity! This will take place after FEAST at the home of Shane and Denise Hughes. Make your plans to attend!

Monday, February 27th - 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, February 26th, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's.

Until next time...**Jeremy Gargis**

coming soon

Sunday, January 22: 4th Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.

Tuesday, January 24: Dorcas Sewing. 10-3 in the FB.

Saturday, January 28: Grief and Loss Workshop with speaker **Don Williams**. 1:30-3 p.m. in the fellowship building.

Sunday, January 29: Super Sunday. We will have **Don Williams** as our guest speaker. The morning worship will be followed by our annual **Soup and Chili lunch** in the FB. For the meal, please bring your favorite soup, chili, and any accompaniments such as chips, crackers, breads, sandwiches, salads, and desserts.

thank you

Pulaski Street friends,

We want to thank you for all the cards and especially the prayers. We have had a rough few months, but we're both on the mend. Your thoughtfulness meant so much to us.

Brent and Cindy Gobbell






area opportunities

Thursdays through February 9: Faith in Practice. Presented by the Heritage Christian University Women's Continuing Education Group "Radiant." Online and on campus at 6 p.m.

Saturday, January 28: Annual Men's Day. Leoma church of Christ. Ezra & Nehemiah: God's Men Doing God's Missions. 9 a.m. to noon. Speakers Tim Grigsby and Willie Hamblen. Lunch at noon.

Saturday, February 4: Young Men's Seminar. East Main church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN. Speaker Webb Williams. Breakfast and registration at 8 a.m. Program 8:45 a.m. - noon. Lunch at noon.

Sunday, February 5 - Thursday, February 9: 87th Annual Bible Lectureship. Freed-Hardeman University. Our own **Jacob Evans** will be speaking on Tuesday, February 7, from 1:30 p.m. until 2:20 p.m. in Loyd Main Auditorium. Jacob's topic will be *Would Esther Claim #MeToo?* (Esther 2:8-9).

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Connie Powell Carter Shadrick <i>Ladies Bible Class resumes</i> <i>Good Works Wednesday</i>	2 Ginny Chapman 	3 Judy Butler Rosemary Cothren Jaxson Haislip Katelyn Romsdal	4
5 <i>F.E.A.S.T., 5:30pm, FB</i> <i>Maury Co. Area-wide @Highland COC</i>	6 Sibyl Simmons	7 Sandi Cook Eli Evans Heather Michaud <i>Dorcas Sewing, 10-3-FB</i>	8 Beth Keaton <i>Songs Class, 6:15pm in the auditorium</i>	9 Tony Allen Debbie McClaren	10 Martha Holt Reba Porter Jodi Pilot	11 <i>Men's Breakfast, 8:30am in the FB</i> 
Freed-Hardeman University Lectureship 2023 FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS: RESTORING GOD'S PEOPLE IN EZRA, NEHEMIAH AND ESTHER						
12 Jack Bowling Henry Bowling Noah Gallian Linda Smith <i>F.E.A.S.T., 5:30pm, FB</i> 	13 Jayse Hughes Mike Pope Mike Purcell <i>Breakfast Bible Study</i>	14 Colette Benson Robert Morris Wells Romsdal <i>Valentine's Day</i> 	15 Joe Cook Katie Gargis Mae Roberson Pam White	16	17 Jami Haislip Dixon Linda Rose	18 Bettye Holt
19 Judah Holcomb <i>F.E.A.S.T., 5:30pm, FB</i> <i>Lions Activity</i>	20 Chapman Evans <i>PRESIDENTS' DAY</i>	21 River Robertson <i>Dorcas Sewing, 10-3-FB</i>	22	23 Patrick Hughes	24	25 Ethan Cooper Reggie Holt
- CYC -						
26 <i>4th Sunday, 1pm song service</i>	27 <i>Breakfast Bible Study</i>	28 Rachel Hughes Ricky Smith	[A]nd the grace of our Lord overflowed for me With the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 1 Timothy 1:14			
- CYC -						