

SERVING WITH HONOR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

MORNING

Opening Prayer Chris Davis
Song Director Tucker Davis
Sermon Casey Bearden
..... "Walking in Unity"
Scripture Reading Caleb Chambers
..... Ephesians 2:1-10 (NKJV)
Closing Prayer Doug Lee

Serving Communion (Left | Right):

Michael English (L)... David English (R)
Gabriel Lee (L) Pat Mense (R)
..... Asher Owens (Balcony)

Comments Mike Scott

EVENING

Opening Prayer Pat Mense
Singing David English
Scripture Reading Asher Owens
..... 1 Peter 1:1-2 ; 2:9-12
Comments Mike Scott

Worship Service and Preparation:

Make Comm. Bread Raley family
Comm. Prep Jennings family
PowerPoint Matt McReynolds
Secure Building Doug Lee

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Director Jack Overton
Opening Prayer Pat Pierce
Summer Series Jack Webb
..... "It Unites the People of God"

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT:

Sunday Bible Class 213
AM Worship 284
PM Worship 137
Wed. Night Bible Class 168

Contribution : \$11,726
2026 Weekly Budget : \$12,036
2026 Avg. Contribution : \$11,562

TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday AM Bible Class 9:00 am
Sunday AM Worship 10:00 am
Sunday PM Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday PM Bible Class 6:30 pm

Visitors: Thank you for coming! You are our honored guest!

For more information about the church, spiritual topics, our classes, and activities, there is a tract rack at the entrance of the auditorium for your convenience.
Or, ask any member for assistance.
Please take a moment to fill out a visitors card, or sign our guest book so that we might have a record of your attendance. Thank you!

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ADMINISTRATION
- Deadline for all bulletin items is Thursday, by noon.
 - If interested in utilizing the library, please reserve with Blisse or Lisa.
 - Apologetics Press Study Bibles available for purchase - see Blisse.
 - **Reminder:** If you use online giving, please consider covering the processing fees as part of you contribution.

FOOD PANTRY

- Food Pickup : 9/8/26 @ 9:30 AM
- Preparing Boxes:
 - 9/8/26 @ 5:30 PM
 - 9/9/26 @ 9:30 AM
- Distribution : 9/10/26 @ 2:30 PM

EDUCATION

- Adult and Children Bible classes available on Sundays @ 9 AM and Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM.
- Willing to teach? See Chris Davis!

OWLS BIBLE STUDY
Ephesians
"One Body, One Church"
Every Thursday @ 10:00 AM

<WiFi Password posted in Foyer>



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Evangelism Troy Spradlin
Finance Richard McCool
Fellowship Jeff Scott*
Involvement
Lads to Leaders David English
OWLS Stephen Fulton
Missions Mike Scott*
Visitation
Kingdom Kids Dane Harrington*
Worship Blake Hatcher*
Youth & Family Casey Bearden
..... Matthew McReynolds*

Margaret Street CHURCH of CHRIST

Welcome! We're glad you are here!

Sunday - August 16, 2026

A Bible-based, Christ-centered, Family-focused, Mission-minded church.

Responsibilities of the Members Toward the Elders

by David Sproule *

A. There are some general responsibilities that members have toward the elders.

1. They should have a working knowledge of the eldership as described in the New Testament.
2. They should know the Scriptural designations for these men and their significance.
 - a. The elders are “overseers.” Therefore, the members (including each elder) are the “overseen.”
 - b. The elders are “shepherds.” Therefore, the members (including each elder) are the “sheep.”
3. They should be acquainted with the qualifications given in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1.
4. They should recognize the authority inherent within the eldership.
5. They should realize the tremendous (and grave) responsibility of being an elder.
 - a. It is not an office of “privilege” with a lot of “perks.”
 - b. It is not a popularity contest.
 - c. It is not a promotion for “well-behaved deacons.”
 - d. Elders are men who are willing to make daily personal sacrifices for the sake of the kingdom of God and the souls of the members.
6. They should recognize what the flock owes the shepherds.
7. They should trust their shepherds and follow their lead.



B. There are some specific responsibilities that members have toward the elders.

1. Members need to “know,” “respect” and “appreciate” the elders (1 Thess. 5:12)
2. Members need to “recognize” the elders are “over” them “in the Lord” (1 Thess. 5:12).
3. Members need to “esteem them very highly in love for their work’s sake” (1 Thess. 5:13).
4. Members need to “be at peace among” themselves (1 Thess. 5:13).
5. Members need to “be submissive” to the elders (Heb. 13:17).
6. Members need to “obey” the elders (Heb. 13:17), respecting their authority.
7. Members need to “count” all elders worthy of “honor” (cf. 1 Tim. 5:17).
8. Members need to “count” all elders “worthy of double honor” (1 Tim. 5:17-18; cf. 1 Cor. 9:9-14).
9. Members need to never accept “an accusation against an elder” from one person (1 Tim. 5:19).
10. Members need to be slow and cautious with criticism (1 Tim. 5:19).
11. Members need to follow the “example” of the elders (1 Pet. 5:3).
12. Members need to “consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith,” following their steps to heaven (Heb. 13:7).
13. Members need to call the elders when in need (James 5:14).
14. Members need to pray for the elders (1 Tim. 2:1-2).
15. Members need to make the work of elders a “joy” and not a “grief” (Heb. 13:17).

C. Members need to fulfill their responsibilities to the elders, just as much as the elders need to fulfill their responsibilities to the members. For, it is all “to the Lord”!

* From “Fortifying Your Faith” (2017) by David Sproule (pages 151-152) preacher/evangelist at Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ.

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MSYG EVENTS & INFO

Attention YG Parents!

2026 SNAC & WEDNESDAY
DEVO SIGN-UPS ARE
AVAILABLE.

PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE
INFORMATION STATION.



2026 - 2027

September 2
Commitment Forms due
Bible Bowl begins

September 13
Workshop

WAR ROOM

YG Prayer Night

SEPT. 2

TEEN ROOM

SNAC

SUNDAY NIGHT
AFTER CHURCH

September 27 | Harrington's

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:
"Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you."
(Hebrews 13:17)

GULF COAST AREA WIDE 2026-2027

MIRAGE

IN THE MESSAGE

AUGUST 16 - ROBERTSDALE

AUGUST 23

L2L

KICKOFF

7 P M

OWLS

BANQUET

12 SEPTEMBER

6 - 8 P M

Marriage Retreat

JANUARY 29-31, 2027



Digital access to our Calendars on your computer or personal device.

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

Recent/Urgent Requests

- Calbin Black - stroke (McGriff*)
- Jim Brooks - broken back (Lori's* dad)
- Howard Bowman-stroke, rehab (Helen)
- Cassie Buchanant*- surgery , recovery
- Lawrence Carter* - prayers, encouragement
- Chandler family - passing of Camille
- John Hart Ellis - surgery, needs transplant
- Arva Fisher* - knee replacement, recovery
- Addie Frahm* - prayers, encouragement
- Barbara Helms* - fractured hip, @ home
- Linda Loftin* - high blood pressure
- Donald McGriff* - health, prayers
- Mary McGriff* - health, prayers
- Bret Moore - recovery, rehab (Sherian's* son)
- Sue Perritt* - back procedure, recovery
- Roxanne Pierce* - thyroid issues, prayers
- John Smith - open heart surgery (Fulton*)
- Gloria Vonada* - high blood pressure
- Rick Wade - kidney stone surgery (Alonna*)
- Jeanna Woodall - health issues (Lester*)

Other Requests / Health Issues

- Pat Ann - Pseudonormal LV, heart damage
- Gerry Baldwin - health (J.Pace sister)
- Wilson Barnes - diabetes complications (Jak*)
- Misty Buchanan - prayers (Steve F.)
- Winston Burnham* - back pain, health
- Angela DAlessandro - health issues
- Allen Davis - (C.Davis'* father)
- Louis deLange* - prayers and encouragement
- Keturah Dickey - MS (K. Longmire*)
- Keith Echols - health, prayers (L.Lester*)
- Laura Elliott* - health, prayers for healing
- Torrie Finney - medical (Jak's niece)
- Mike Frahm* - health, prayers
- Dixie Gorham - heart failure, kidney failure
- Kenna Jackson - (Kristina P's* friend)
- Frank Jelercic - health, prayers (Lola*)
- David Jones - Alzheimer's (Kenya*)
- Brittany Parker* - health, prayers
- Sharon Parker* - severe aorta heart valve
- Trish Powell - wayward (Jak*)
- Kara Ritchie - blood disorder (M.Scott*)
- Mary Lee Smith - heart issues (McGriff*)
- Marlene Smith - Alzheimer's (Fulton* sister)
- Ryan Turner - heart issues (Rob's* brother)

Cancer

- Ron Bartanen* - lymph nodes
- Jim Bostwick - (Trevor B's dad)
- Steve Brown-extreme surg, cancer (Frahm*)
- Misty Bray - (Bird*)
- Lilly Cain - bladder (R. Locklin* sister)
- Jimmy Calhoun - (Mike Scott*)
- Micki Clopton - (former member)
- David English*
- Geodee Fred - (C. Bartanen*)
- Ambia Kitchen - (Pantry)
- Rebekah Koppin - stage 4 colon (Jeanna*)
- Mari Krussow - (Overton*)
- Tierney Lancaster - rare blood (Baxley*)
- Aloha Lee - (Lola's* sister)
- Connie Moore - (Fulton*)
- Steve Meados - prostate - surgery (Lanya*)
- Roy Moulder - (Alonna*)
- Dee Mulligan - lung (Crystal's* mom)
- Deborah Nolan - cervical (Lola*)
- Angelica Rapson - cancer spreading (Smith*)
- Benjamin Russell - (Susan St.)
- Lewie Joe Smith - (Jeanna E.*)
- Angela Southerd - breast
- David Walther - brain (English*)
- Lawanna Wishum - (T.Baxley*)
- Chris Whitman - bladder cancer (Helen*)

Grieving a Loss

- Sarah Davis* and family - loss of mom, Donna
- Davis/Napier families - loss of Jack & Sherry
- Jeanna English & fam. - loss of mom, Faye
- Myrna Fuller family - loss of Myrna
- Good family* - loss of daughter in law, Mary
- Jennings* family - loss of brother/uncle, Dale
- Sandra King & fam. - loss of sister, Sherryn
- Greg Lewis family - passing of Greg
- Rhonda Locklin* and family - loss of her sister
- John Pace & fam. -loss of sister, Edwina Harris
- Sharon & Brittany Parker - loss of Tim Parker
- Jon Raley* - passing of his mother
- Renee Ray* - loss of her brother, Willard
- Dot Russell* and family- loss of Ted
- Joe Taylor* family - loss of Joe

Mission Works

- Shanahans* - Mission Italy
- Eliezer Perez - San Lorenzo, Paraguay
- Sebastain Garcia - Brazil
- SRC Correctional Institute

Military

- Sean Andino* - Norfolk, VA
- John Bartell - Washington, DC
- Drew Dodson - Japan (Cathy's grandson)
- Javanta Johnson - NAS Jacksonville Airforce
- Matthew Henry - Germany
- Amya Huey* - Italy
- Cody Fulmer-Shaw - Kuwait (A.Turner*)
- James Ragle - Air Force basic training

Assisted Living / Shut-Ins / Rehab

- Ron Bartanen* - Victorian Manor
- Viola Burgess* - South FL
- Laura Elliot - homebound (S. Lee* mom)
- Bobbie Garcia*- Fort Walton Beach
- Larry Lester - Eden of Crestview
- Lillian Raines* - The Residence
- Lee Smith- Arcadia, rm.236 (E.Lipford mom*)
- Marlene Smith - (Fulton*)

Students in College

- Jackson Davis
- Stephen English
- Judsen Jennings
- Jackson Lash
- Ayla Napier
- Hannah Raley
- Lily Weathersbee
- LizAnn Webb
- Elliot Wilson

2026 Recently Baptized/Restored/Identified

- Joey Stromsness - Baptized, 1/4/26
- Audrey Harrington - Baptized, 1/10/26
- Aaron Burgess - Baptized, 2/3/26
- Hayden Chandler - Baptized 4/4/26
- Cooper Hanson - Baptized, 4/20/26
- Josie McReynolds - Baptized, 4/21/26
- Libby Makar - Baptized, 6/10/26
- Paxton Fletcher - Baptized, 6/10/26
- Whitley Henry - Baptized, 6/15/26
- Anthony Turner - Baptized, 6/28/26
- Emma Dunaway - Baptized, 7/26/26
- Cathy Dodson - Baptized, 8/4/2026
- Anthony Juliano family - Identified, 4/2026
- Caleb Chambers family - Identified, 5/2026
- Dalton&Maridynn Morgan-Identified, 5/2026
- Don & Carmen McBrayer - Identified, 8/2026
- Gale & Daniel McReynolds-Identified, 5/2026
- Lawrence Carter - Restored, 8/2/2026
- James Ray - Restored, 8/12/2026
- Renee Ray - Restored, 8/12/2026

WILSON STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

ELDERS, DEACONS,
PREACHERS & MINISTRY
CHAIRMAN MEETING

TODAY @ 4 PM

FIFTH
SUNDAY
FELLOWSHIP
MEAL

AUGUST 30
RIGHT AFTER AM SERVICE

Theme-Potluck Style