

SERVING WITH HONOR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

MORNING

Opening Prayer Anthony Juliano
Song Director Jon Raley
Sermon Troy Spradlin
..... "A Meal with the Master"
Scripture Reading Mitch Hitchcock
..... Acts 10:39-42 (NKJV)
Closing Prayer Phillip Webb

Serving Communion (Left | Right):

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

EVENING

Opening Prayer Darrell Bozeman
Singing Luke McReynolds
Scripture Reading Brett Napier
..... John 3:3-5
Comments Rick Bird

Worship Service and Preparation:

Make Comm. Bread Raley family
Comm. Prep Jennings family
PowerPoint Matt McReynolds
Secure Building Phillip Webb

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Director Dawson Hitchcock
Opening Prayer Russell Estain
Summer Series Josh Hollaway
..... "The Udenominational Nature of the Church"

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT:

Sunday Bible Class 185
AM Worship 240
PM Worship 119
Wed. Night Bible Class 122

Contribution : \$7,752
2026 Weekly Budget : \$12,036
2026 Avg. Contribution : \$11,468

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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OWLS Stephen Fulton
Missions Mike Scott*
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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 23, 2026

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

Paul Was Here! (Rhegium, Italy)

by Troy Spradlin

A few years ago, after visiting the Shanahans to support their work in Italy, we decided to extend our trip with a few vacation days. Andrea's family is originally from Southern Italy, and we wanted to go visit her ancestral city, Reggio Calabria. She would be the first in her direct family line to return there in 140 years! Located at the southern tip of Italy's "boot," opposite of Sicily, Reggio Calabria is an ancient port city with origins dating back to the Greek era. However, it isn't a typical tourist destination; rather, it's more of a local spot known for its relaxing beaches. So we boarded a plane and were off!

We found a decent hotel just north of the city, near the marina where the ferry to Messina, Sicily, departs. We enjoyed exploring the old town, walking on the beaches, sampling local cuisine, and imagining what life was like when her great-grandparents lived there. We also visited the fascinating Museo Archeologico Nazionale, where we discovered interesting facts about the city's history. For instance, during the Roman Empire, the city was called "Rhegium" and it was a vital seafaring port for the region.



View of the Port of Calabria

By now, you might be wondering, "Why is he writing about their vacation in Italy here in the bulletin?" Well, **let me share with you an realization that I had that brought the Bible to life for me** while we were there. On the morning we were preparing to leave, I was drinking my coffee and gazing out the hotel window, admiring the beauty of Sicily just across the Strait of Messina, and thinking about all the history that this place held. I was also reminiscing about all the informative things I had learned about this ancient city. I began imagining the countless number of famous people and ships that must have passed through that strait ... when suddenly, a thought hit me! My eyes grew wide, I immediately grabbed my Bible, turned to the Book of Acts, and began searching the text. There, I found it, in the last chapter.



The Bible says, "*Now at the end of three months we set sail [from Malta, see vs 1] on an Alexandrian ship which had wintered at the island, and which had the Twin Brothers for its figurehead. 12 After we put into Syracuse, we stayed there for three days. 13 From there we sailed around and arrived at Rhegium, and after a day when a south wind sprang up, on the second day we came to Puteoli. 14 There we found some brothers, and were invited to stay with them for seven days; and thus we came to Rome.*" (Act 28:11-14)

That gave me goosebumps! From where I was sitting, I could look out the window, and not only see the Strait of Messina where Paul would have sailed on that ship 2000 years ago, but I could also see an ancient harbor where boats have been landing for many, many years! I was in the same port city, possibly looking at the same spot where the Apostle Paul would have landed while he was being transported to Rome! In our exploring, we had also seen many Roman artifacts, and even some ancient Roman ruins on display in the city that had been a military outpost. Could that have been where they kept Paul for the night?

The account of Paul's journey seemed to unfold right before my eyes, as I looked out at the same coastline and hills Paul would have seen in the Strait. The feeling I had is difficult to put into words, but it filled me with a profound awe I had never experienced before. I thanked God for granting me that special moment!

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MSYG EVENTS & INFO

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
FRUIT FULL
DEBRIEF
AUG. 26th @ 5:45 PM



2026 - 2027

September 2
Commitment Forms due
Bible Bowl begins

September 13
Workshop

WAR ROOM
Yg Prayer Night
SEPT. 2
TEEN ROOM

GULF COAST AREA WIDE 2026-2027
MIRAGE
IN THE MESSAGE
SEPTEMBER 20 – SUMMERDALE

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:
*"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all."
(Ecclesiastes 12:13)*

Marriage Retreat
JANUARY 29-31, 2027

AUGUST 23
L2L
KICKOFF
7 P M

OWLS
BANQUET
12 SEPTEMBER
6 - 8 P M

SNAC
SUNDAY NIGHT
AFTER CHURCH
September 27 | Harrington's



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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 Buchanan*- 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*)

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
- Steve Fulton* - loss of sister, Marlene Smith
- 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
- Allan Overton* - loss of his mother
- 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

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*)

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*)
- Ryan Turner - heart issues (Rob's* brother)

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
- James Ragle - Air Force basic training

Students in College

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

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
- Maria Shontz - (Angela F.*)
- David Walther - brain (English*)
- Lawanna Wishum - (T.Baxley*)
- Chris Whitman - bladder cancer (Helen*)

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

FIFTH
SUNDAY
FELLOWSHIP
MEAL
AUGUST 30
RIGHT AFTER AM SERVICE
Theme-Potluck Style

Special
Contribution
August 30th
Updating & rebuilding the awning structure