

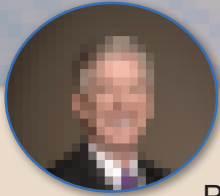
April 16, 2023

Then Jesus said to His disciples,  
"Whoever wants to be My  
disciple must deny themselves  
and take up their cross and  
follow Me."  
Matthew 16:24



Welcome to \_\_\_\_\_  
**pleasant valley south baptist church**

\_\_\_\_\_ Dr. Philip May • Senior Pastor



## From the Pastor's Desk

Thank you for your participation in our Easter Sunday celebration. Our hosts, hostesses, parking lot crew and ushers made everyone welcome. The Praise Band, church choir and orchestra were outstanding. I appreciate the investment of your time to provide meaningful services for our members and guests.

For the first time since COVID, we had over 600 in worship. Ten years ago we would have 1,000 on Easter. This is reflective of a nationwide trend with church attendance. The research of companies like Barna Research Group are now reporting only about 30% of Americans say their faith is important.

The trends of our culture should not discourage us from sharing the gospel. Go back to the early church and the pagan society in which they lived and the persecution they experienced. The fear factors from culture did not slow them down.

Your Pastor,  
Philip May

### Graduation 2023



#### ANNOUNCEMENT:

We want to help you and your senior enjoy the once-in-a-lifetime experience of graduating high school by having a very special Graduate Recognition Sunday on May 21 during our 10:30AM worship service.

We will also celebrate and recognize graduates from all post-secondary levels. And, there will be a luncheon for graduates of all

levels (and their families) immediately following the service.

Here's what we need from you NO LATER THAN May 7:

1. Graduate's name, school, diploma/degree
2. Number of immediate family members (parents, siblings, grandparents) staying for lunch

Please email this information to [eric.gargus@pvsbc](mailto:eric.gargus@pvsbc) no later than May 7.

If you prefer, you may also call this information in to the church office.

## WELCOME



### Traditional and Contemporary Services

Pleasant Valley South would like to invite you to come and worship with us at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday with a Traditional Service in the Worship Center and a Contemporary Service in the Family Life Center. These choices offer you an opportunity for a genuine worship experience.

### Grow in Your Faith

Looking for a place where you can grow in your faith and connect with friends? If yes, then Sunday School is the place for you. We have classes for all ages and every phase of life. Sunday School begins at 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Ted Fuller at (706) 234-1841.

### Children's Church

Children age 4-kindergarten meet each Sunday morning during the worship service with snacks and a fun, Bible-based lesson each week. Parents may register and check-in at the PVS kids Welcome Desk.

### Childcare

Childcare is provided during Sunday School for newborns and toddlers, and during the morning worship service for newborn-3 years of age. Register and check-in at the PVS kids Welcome Desk.

### PVS kids Church

Grades 1-3 meet each Sunday morning, August - April, during the worship service in the Awana Game Room.

### The Bible says that God loves a "cheerful giver"

Here is a reminder of the various ways you can give your tithes and offerings: at the end of each Sunday morning service the ushers will have an offering plate at each worship center door; give online at [PVSBC.org](http://PVSBC.org); mail your offering to P.O. Box 519, Silver Creek, GA 30173.



### Tell Us You're Here

If you are a guest today, please let us know you are here by using your smart phone or tablet and texting a 1 to **706-204-1787** or scan the QR code to the left. Then respond to a few simple questions.

# TODAY

<b>Traditional Worship</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>
<i>He Lives</i>	Orchestra
Solo	Kim Harrison
<i>At Calvary/I Believe...</i>	Congregation
Prayer	Ted Fuller
Welcome	Ted Fuller
<i>And Can It Be</i>	Congregation
<i>Rise Up</i>	Choir with Stacy, Wendy and Erskine Thompson
Message	Dr. Philip May
<i>Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross</i>	Congregation
Announcements	Ted Fuller
Benediction	Ted Fuller
Postlude	Miriam Moon

## Contemporary Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Less Like Me  
My Heart Is Yours  
Desert Song  
Christ is Enough  
A Thousand Hallelujahs  
God You Are**

**Vocals: Andy Allen, Diana Allen, Riley Starling, Alonna Penn**

**Praise Band: Crystal Davis, Roger Davis, Seth Davis, Andy Allen, Zack Broome, Hunter Umphrey, Eric Gargus**

**Who else would die for our redemption  
Whose resurrection means I'll rise  
There isn't time enough to sing of all You've done  
But I have eternity to try!  
With a thousand hallelujahs we magnify Your name  
You alone deserve the glory, the honor and the praise  
Lord Jesus, this song is forever Yours  
A thousand hallelujahs and a thousand more!**

**"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; and I give eternal life to them, and they shall never perish; and no one is able to snatch them out of My hand."  
John 10:27-28**

# SERMON OUTLINE

## The Cost of Following Christ Matthew 16:24-27

Jesus did not call us to a life of ease, comfort and pleasure.

- A. F \_\_\_\_\_ of allegiance to Christ
- B. F \_\_\_\_\_ which we are engaged
- C. F \_\_\_\_\_ required

Self-sufficient people want to have it their way. They are sufficient within themselves and so they live their own lives. This is what Satan wants. He wants us to operate independently of God.

### Sermon Notes

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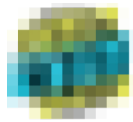
## UPCOMING EVENTS



**PVS kids Church and Children's Church**  
PVS kids Church (grade 1-3 in the Awana Game Room) and Children's Church (age 4-K in Preschool area) every Sunday during the worship service.



**PVS kids Childcare**  
PVS kids Childcare volunteers for **Sunday, April 23:**  
Desk: **Missy Bailey**  
Preschool 2: **Austin & Carabeth Rains**  
Preschool 3: **Jessica Walker, Ashley Carr**  
Children's Church: **Chelsee & Luke Robinson**



**TeamKID**  
TeamKID consists of two elementary groups for grades 1-5 and a preschool group for age 4-Kindergarten. TeamKID meets each Wednesday during the school year from 6:00-7:15 p.m.



**Student Fusion**  
Student Fusion meets on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. for Sunday School and Wednesday nights at 6 p.m.



**Choir Rehearsal**  
The choir will meet at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesdays after Wednesday night service.



**Children's Choirs**  
Both Angel Choir and Worship kids Choir will practice today from 5 - 6:15 p.m.



**Orchestra Rehearsal**  
Orchestra rehearsal is every Sunday afternoon from 12:00-1:00 in the Worship Center.



## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Baby Shower today for Teri Jackson**  
This announcement was accidentally left out of last weeks bulletin. The Homebuilders Sunday School Class is giving Teri Jackson a baby shower today from 12-2 p.m. in the Chapel.



**Operation Christmas Child**  
This month we will be collecting bars of soap, crayons and hot wheels type cars for Samaritan's Purse. There is a collection barrel in the Welcome Center.  
If you would like to fill a shoebox, they are available in the Welcome Center and the FLC. Inside the shoebox is a list of recommended items that are needed. Please return all shoeboxes by Mother's Day.

A donation of \$10 per box to cover shipping and other project costs would be appreciated. If you would like to donate for shipping, please make check payable to PVSBC and on the memo line add Samaritan's Purse shipping.

### Lots & Lots of Lost Cups



We have accumulated a lot of lost cups. If you have lost one, please go by the kitchen (by the children's department) and claim yours.



**Adult Sunday School Quarterly Training**  
Adult Sunday School quarterly training is scheduled on May 7 immediately following the morning worship service. This is for all adult Sunday School leaders, including those who recently agreed to serve in a leadership position in their class. We will meet in the Awana Game Room. Lunch will be provided, and the nursery will be available.

### CentriKid Mandatory Meeting

There will be a mandatory meeting for all CentriKid attendees and a parent/adult on Sunday, April 30, at 4:00 in the Awana Game Room. Please contact Kathy if you need more information.

TeamKid will end the year with their regular meeting at 6:00 followed by an ice cream party at 7:00 on Wed., May 17. A dinner meeting will be held on Wed., May 24, in the Awana Game Room at 6:00 for all TeamKid leaders.

The last PVS kids Church (grades 1-5) for this school year will be Sunday, May 14. Children's Church (age 4-K) and childcare (birth-age 3) will continue as normal throughout the summer.

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

## Sunday

Bible Study ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Orchestra Rehearsal ..... 12:00 p.m.

Traditional Service in the Worship Center  
Contemporary Service (*sermon simulcast*) in the Family Life Center  
Children's Church for ages 4 - Kindergarten

## Wednesday

Student Fusion ..... 6:00 p.m.  
TeamKID.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Service.....6:30 p.m.  
Church Choir Rehearsal.....7:15 p.m.

### TREASURERS REPORT

04/09/2023

Budget for 2023.....\$1,879,593.25  
Received to Date.....\$473,712.45  
.....\$1,405,880.80  
Tithes & Offerings.....\$37,017.55  
Heritage Fund.....\$320.00

### ATTENDANCE

04/09/2023

Sunday School..... 346  
Worship Service..... 625

### STAFF

Senior Pastor — Dr. Philip May  
Assoc. Pastor— Rev. Richard Brown  
Minister of Music—Rev. Mark Winstead  
Minister of Children—Kathy Winstead  
Minister of Youth—Rev. Eric Gargus  
Minister of Education/  
Business Administrator—Rev. Ted Fuller  
Minister of Media—Tom Pilcher

Technical Specialist—Jeff Byrd  
Worship Director—Jennifer Pilcher  
Orchestra Director—Bill King  
Pianist—Miriam Moon  
Administrative Assistant—Ellen McMeekin  
Financial Secretary—Patsy Jordan  
Music Secretary—Ginger Ferrin  
Church Secretary—Kim Sisson

**Minister on call for April 21-23: Eric Gargus**

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