

**Sunday Services, April 5, 2020**  
Cancelled—watch the livestream of our 8:30 a.m. service

**Our leadership continues to pray and to talk together about our upcoming services and activities. We are cancelling all services and activities through April 8 and will continue to update our church routinely about any future decisions. Please visit our website, check your email, and view our social media feeds for those updates and for resources from our staff.**



We have begun a church-wide texting service to share updates about schedules and announcements. Text “MUMCINFO” to the number 95577 and that will sign you up for these church-wide texts.

We posted an online Pastor’s Bible Study this last week and we plan to do that again for the near future. You find those on our Facebook page and on our church website (<http://www.madisonumc.org/wednesday-teaching>) at 6:15 p.m. each Wednesday.



Dr. John Oswalt’s “Jacob: Who Am I?” study series will be presented online and live through Zoom at 6:15 p.m. on April 15 and April 22. Here are the links to for those Zoom conferences: April 15 - <https://zoom.us/j/963758168>; Meeting ID# 963 758 168; April 22 - <https://zoom.us/j/189682082>, Meeting ID# 189 682 082. You will need to download the Zoom app before watching the event. To watch on your computer, go to <https://zoom.us/download>. To watch on your smartphone, visit your App Store to find and download the Zoom app.

Please continue to support the church through your giving. We are needing your gifts to fund the many discipleship and technology adjustments we are making in this season and we are still funding missions and ministries locally and around the world. You can contact your bank for online giving options or use our online giving service (<https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Giving/madi100208>). You can also mail checks to our church (Madison UMC 100 Post Oak Road Madison, MS 39110).

## WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON

April 8, 2020

WEDNESDAY MEALS AND PROGRAMMING HAVE BEEN CANCELLED FOR APRIL 8.

### ADULT MINISTRY

Rev. Ben Butler 601-856-6058 or email [ben@madisonumc.org](mailto:ben@madisonumc.org)

### MUMM'S FRANK WILSON SCHOLARSHIPS



The Madison United Methodist Men (MUMM) are pleased to announce their 12th annual program for the award of the Frank Wilson college scholarships to two young men who are members of our church. Applicants must graduate from high school no later than August 2020, with a grade point average of 3.0 or above, and have participated in church, school and community programs. Applications are available in the church office. Application deadline is April 24, 2020. This year the scholarships will be for **\$3,000.00**. All men of the Church are invited to participate in this project for our young men. Questions – call Scott Catington at 601-497-9995 or email [madi-sonummen@gmail.com](mailto:madi-sonummen@gmail.com).



#### **Maundy Thursday Worship Service** (April 9 – 7:00 p.m.)

The service will be online through Facebook Live at 7:00 p.m. and then later on our website ([www.madisonumc.org/services](http://www.madisonumc.org/services)). Our Director of KIDS Ministries, Renee Scales, will also have materials for our parents to use with their children for this night and for all of Holy Week.

#### **Good Friday Service** (April 10 – Noon)

There will be a brief worship and meditation experience through Facebook Live at 12:00 noon.

**Please continue to check your email and our church's social media feeds for updates about these and other services.** Our newsletter only goes out every two weeks so emails and social media will be the best sources of information for any church updates. Also, make sure to sign up for our new church-wide texting service. Text "MUMCINFO" to the number 95577 to sign up for these church-wide texts.

# Concerns of Our Church Family

## MADISON UMC PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM LIST

Please continue to turn in names and addresses of family/friends needing prayer for the MUMC Prayer Ministry Team.

We encourage you to turn in prayer requests for other special needs such as expectant mothers, new babies, job changes, relocations, etc.

**The MUMC Prayer Ministry Team covenants to pray for these names for 30 days. Names may be resubmitted to [jackie@madisonumc.org](mailto:jackie@madisonumc.org) if prayer is still needed.**

### Prayer Requests – MUMC Members

Vicki Blake	The Moody Family	Mary Salvatore
Cathy Cauthen	Willie Moore	Shauna Sansing
Betsy Cowden	Florence Morphis	Courtney Tucker
Amy Feild	James Morphis	Bob Walters
Jerry Lyons	Robin Morris	Janet Zoble
John Mason	Elinor Rummel	
Mary Ann McKay	Trey Russell	

### Prayer Requests—Family Members and Friends

Millicent Cuevas	Mike/Becke Bounds' friend
Doug Davis	MarChelle Pace's brother-in-law
Brian Hierlmeier	Randy/Susan Hierlmeier's son
Marie Melichar	Marcia Whatley's mother
Junior Pounders	Vanita McMullin's cousin
Tommy South	Rosemary Taylor's grandson
Sharon Walton	Lynn Dean's cousin
Newton Wasson	Rodger Wasson's brother

### Pray for Our Deployed Troops

- Will Beggiani, Ann Beggiani's grandson, U. S. Army, Germany
- Mac Parker, Karen Harper's nephew, U.S. Air Force, Japan
- Lt. Andrew Robinson, Bobbi/Dave Robinson's grandson, U.S. Navy Harry S. Truman Aircraft Carrier, Persian Gulf

### *In Memoriam*

**Jeanne Walters—3/25/20**

Wife of Bob Walters  
Member of MUMC

**Henry Starling, Jr.—3/25/20**

Father of Karen Holmes

**Glen DeVeau**

Brother of Kim Swan

**Jean Whitaker—3/27/20**

Sister of Doug Miracle  
Daughter of June Miracle

*We express our sympathy to the families.*

### Hospice/Assisted/Living/Nursing Homes

**The Arbor:** Leon and Catherine Williams

**The Blake:** Fabia Smith

**Beau Ridge:** Keith Walton; Jerry & Frankie Mitchell; Joyce Logue

**St. Catherine's Village:** Bertyle Cochran, Clara Derrington

**Home Place:** Margi Baley, Barbara Mapp

**Expectant Parents:** Lindsey & Chris Clark; Wil & Melanie Crawford

**New Babies:** Mae Angela Bowron, daughter of Sloan & Christ Bowron, & granddaughter of Angie & Steven Smith, born 3/20

Leo Watkins Campbell, son of Fran & Garth Campbell, born 3/13

## MUMC REPORT

	Worship Attendance		Sunday School
03/08/20	438		213
03/15/20	N/A		N/A
	Offering		Year-To-Date
	Cash/Check	Electronic	All Giving
03/08/20	\$30,938.00	\$ 7,527.50	\$ 402,108.35
03/15/20	\$10,626.00	\$10,310.00	\$ 423,044.35

Education Building Cost: \$5,227,203.00

Education Building Mortgage

Balance (as of 3/03/2020): \$2,195,442.65

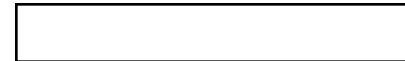
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**MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP**  
Rev. James E. Swanson, Sr., Resident Bishop  
Rev. Connie Shelton, District Superintendent  
Rev. Barry Male, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Ben Butler, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Linda Rickman, Congregational Care

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



 Please call the church office (601.856.6058) or email our Administrative Assistant Anne Ellison ([anne@madisonumc.org](mailto:anne@madisonumc.org)) if you would like to be added to our church email list. You will also want to check your spam folder from time to time for church emails. Many church emails get placed there by your email server because we have a large amount of email addresses.

Sun., Apr. 5 – 1 Timothy 2  
Mon., Apr. 6 – 1 Timothy 3  
Tues., Apr. 7 – 1 Samuel 17  
Wed., Apr. 8 – 1 Samuel 18  
Thurs., Apr. 9 – 1 Samuel 19  
Fri., Apr. 10 – 1 Samuel 20  
Sat., Apr. 11 – Psalm 64

Sun., Apr. 12 – 1 Timothy 4  
Mon., Apr. 13 – 1 Timothy 5  
Tues., Apr. 14 – 1 Samuel 21  
Wed., Apr. 15 – 1 Samuel 22  
Thurs., Apr. 16 – 1 Samuel 23  
Fri., Apr. 17 – 1 Samuel 24  
Sat., Apr. 18 - Psalm 65

### **GENERAL CONFERENCE POSTPONED**

The 2020 General Conference has officially been postponed. A new date for the event will be decided soon. Annual Conference informational meetings for the General Conference have also been postponed. It has not been determined yet if the Jurisdictional Conferences, where we elect Bishops, will go ahead as planned in July. For more information, visit our church's website ([www.madisonumc.org/townhall](http://www.madisonumc.org/townhall)).



**WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS WILL BE POSTED ON THE KIDS MINISTRY FACEBOOK PAGE OR LET ME KNOW IF YOU WANT THE LESSON EMAILED TO YOU ([renee@madisonumc.org](mailto:renee@madisonumc.org)).**

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**TALKING WITH KIDS ABOUT COVID 19**

It can be overwhelming for adults to process all the information regarding COVID-19. Imagine what it must be like for our children. Below are some suggestions & resources for discussing COVID-19 with your children.

**Start with what they know.** Ask them questions such as, “Have you heard your friends, grownups or people on the TV talking about a new sickness? What worries do you have about this sickness?” This gives you an understanding of what your child already knows — and an opportunity to correct any misconceptions they might have.

**Validate their feelings and offer support.** Inform your child that it is OK to be nervous or scared. Everyone feels this way at times. Remind them that stressful situations come and go and life inevitably goes back to normal. This understanding can help kids become resilient. Reassure your kids that there are many grownups who are dedicated to keeping them safe. Discuss the roles of doctors, scientists, teachers and family members.

**Give them a sense of control.** Teach kids simple and specific things they can do to keep the sickness away. Discuss the importance of getting extra sleep and making nutritious food choices. Remind kids that regular hand-washing helps stop most viruses from spreading to others.

**Look on the bright side**

Don't forget that what we are experiencing will be part of your child's memories! What do you hope they'll say when their grandkids ask them what they remember about the coronavirus outbreak of 2020? Make this time special. Do projects together such as filming a movie about your family or making cards for isolated elders in your area. Share stories about your childhood and teach them games you enjoyed as a kid. Take walks, act out stories, play games ... **Share on the KIDS Ministry at Madison UMC Facebook page your suggestions (and pictures) of activities to keep our kids engaged!**

**Encourage them to communicate.** Praise your child for expressing their feelings and concerns. Assure them you will be available and honest with all of your answers.

**Be compassionate — toward yourself and your children.**

We have never experienced anything like the current crisis, and all of us are figuring it out together!

**ARTICLES ABOUT HOW TO TALK WITH YOUR KIDS ABOUT COVID-19:**

[How to Talk to Your Kids About Coronavirus \(from PBS for younger children\)](https://www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-coronavirus)

[www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-coronavirus](https://www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-coronavirus)

[Coronavirus Video from BrainPOP \(great for elementary children\)](https://www.brainpop.com/health/diseasesinjuriesandconditions/coronavirus)

[www.brainpop.com/health/diseasesinjuriesandconditions/coronavirus](https://www.brainpop.com/health/diseasesinjuriesandconditions/coronavirus)

[Helping Children with Scary News by Sally Lloyd-Jones](https://www.sallylloyd-jones.com/helping-children-with-scary-news)

[www.sallylloyd-jones.com/helping-children-with-scary-news](https://www.sallylloyd-jones.com/helping-children-with-scary-news)

[Just for Kids: A Comic Exploring the New Coronavirus \(NPR\)](https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2020/02/28/809580453/just-for-kids-a-comic-exploring-the-new-coronavirus)

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**STUDENT MINISTRY**  
**Cory Phillips 601-856-6058 or email [cory@madisonumc.org](mailto:cory@madisonumc.org)**

COVID UPDATES

Pinnacle Sunday nights for all students in grades 6 – 12, as well as Wednesday night activities, have been cancelled until school reopens. Stay connected and engaged by following Student Ministry’s Instagram page (@mumcstudents) during this time of “social distancing.” Devotions/videos, live Q & A, scavenger hunts, and other games will be posted.



**SUMMER TRIPS 2020**

We are heading south for some fun in the sun and to partner with a local church in coastal Florida for construction, childrens, and homeless ministry for a week in Tampa!

TAMPA, FLORIDA  
 MAY 30-JUNE 5, 2020  
 SENIOR HIGH MISSION  
 \$400 PER STUDENT \$100 BY  
 DEADLINE APRIL 12

**NOTE FROM CORY:**  
 The trips are still on, but the dates may have to be changed. Stay tuned for further updates!



LAKE JUNALUSKA, NC  
 JULY 1-5, 2020  
 GRADES 6 - 12  
 \$375 PER STUDENT  
 \$100 BY DEADLINE MAY 1

The Amazing Classic M28  
 Experience, Fun, Worship,  
 Mountains, Tubing and much  
 more all in the beautiful scenery  
 of Lake J!



A short drive to serve those in need by partnering with inner city ministries. Top Golf and the Water park are also close by!

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA  
 JULY 19-22, 2020  
 JUNIOR HIGH MISSION  
 \$175 PER STUDENT \$75 BY  
 DEADLINE JUNE 1



Register at [www.madisonumc.org/students](http://www.madisonumc.org/students)



## MUMC PROVIDING FREE RESOURCES FOR ALL AGES

Our Madison UMC leadership has secured **two great resources for growth and encouragement in Christ**, especially in these days of social distancing.

### RESOURCE #1 -- RIGHT NOW MEDIA:



You should have received an email invitation to sign up for an account. If you have not seen an invitation, check your junk mail first. Feel free to contact **Ben Butler** ([ben@madisonumc.org](mailto:ben@madisonumc.org)) if you need an invite sent your way.

Your email information will not be shared by RNM for any purpose. Your anti-virus software may need to be adjusted, but RNM takes safety and security seriously.

### *SUGGESTIONS FOR SHARED STUDY/REFLECTION:*

Once you log in to your RNM account, you will find a number of libraries, including a Madison United Methodist Church "custom library." We have featured some RNM studies/series that you may bless you and your family.



In the remainder of Lent and on into the Easter season, what might God do through some shared, intergenerational study at home and in our groups? Maybe you would consider a study of Paul's letter to the believers in Philippi by using **Jo Saxton's** (IF Gathering) adult study and **Phil Vischer's** (creator of Veggie Tales) kid's study of Philip-  
pians? Both these resources are featured on channels in our MUMC custom library.



### RESOURCE #2 -- GRACE MINISTRIES ONLINE:

Login to our Grace Ministries Online Library (Go to <https://grace101.org/>, click on "Login," and use **madisonumc** as both the user name and password) to benefit from the following and many other studies and resources:

Do you want a series that speaks to how Scripture addresses us in times of crisis? Perhaps **Crisis 101** would be helpful.



Do you enjoy classic Christian hymns and would like to hear the stories behind them as well as an audio-visual presentation of musical arrangements for singing and reflection of these hymns? Maybe **Worship 101** would be a blessing to you.

Would you like to personally reflect on or lead your class or group through some of the "one another" teachings in the Bible? **Family 101** offers a series that unpacks these for our relationships, especially within families.





If you are in need of assistance during this pandemic, we have church members ready to help!

Groceries, pharmacy pick-up, yard work, maintenance, etc.

Contact Steve Potter - Director of Outreach Ministries  
steve@madisonumc.org



It has been great to see our church family serving during this crisis. Here are just a few pics of those acts of service to our church and community - our students & adults from our Yard Work Team at a senior adult's home, our Student Ministry Team volunteering at Germantown Middle School, Sunday school classes and church members making protective masks. Our Supplies Team has been making deliveries and running errands for our older adults, too.



Dear MUMC family,

We are looking for ways we can help at this time without putting anyone at risk.

Kathy Long is making masks for healthcare workers and others who need them. She is in need of elastic, 1/8 – 1/4 inch in thickness (color doesn't matter). If you have some extra that you would like to donate, contact Kathy Long at (601) 466-0135 or [kathrynlong1951@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynlong1951@gmail.com) and she will be willing to come get it.

If you would like to help make masks, contact her and she will share the info on how to make them.

In addition, if you know of someone who has need for masks, contact Kathy as well.

