



Madison United Methodist Church

MESSENGER

“Building faithful disciples, serving Jesus Christ.”

No. 17

August 25, 2021

Sunday Services, August 29, 2021

Services in the Sanctuary & Multipurpose Room at 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School classes at 9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON RESUMES SEPTEMBER 8

With the exception of a significant change in the Covid-19 numbers, we plan to resume WAM on September 8.

Supper updates

Please register for the supper online (www.madisonumc.org/wednesdays-at-madison), by calling (601.856.6058), or by emailing Jone in the church office (jone@madisonumc.org). Supper will be served from 5:15-6:00 p.m. Please distance as you wait in line to pay for your meal.

Following our Phase 2 protocols, please mask until you arrive at your table in the Christian Life Center. We will distance tables for the supper, and we ask that you only sit with family or friends who you “do life with” routinely.

Children and adult meals will be boxed and out on a table in the gym. We will also have a dessert table and a drink table in the gym. We will need to suspend the salad bar for a few more weeks. If you have family with you, seat them and then obtain your meals while remaining distanced from other people.

Lastly, we are asking that children remain at their table until 5:45 p.m. Those with children may not want to arrive too early since we cannot have children playing in the gym for now. Parents can take their children to KIDS Play from 5:45 p.m.-6:15 p.m. (PreSchool-5K - west playground, 1st-6th graders - east playground). If it is raining, children may be dropped off at the KIDS Ministry check-in in the Atrium to be taken to their KIDS Play options.

Bible Study times and locations

- 5:45 p.m. - KIDS Choir & KIDS Play
- 6:00 p.m. - Family Reunion Small Groups (CLC)
- 6:15 p.m. - KIDS ministry activities (KIDS Check-in)
- 6:15 p.m. - Student Ministry study (Lounge, Student Hall)
- 6:15 p.m. - *The Names of God* study (Sanctuary - mask required, Chapel - mask optional)

Menu for September 8th Fellowship Meal can be found inside.

JOIN US ON WEDNESDAYS FOR...

2021 FAMILY REUNION

Starts September 8 - 6 pm (after dinner in CLC)
Faith-building Videos
Laughter
Good Adult Conversation
Knowing & Growing with Your Family
Interested? Just show up, or email Ben Butler (ben@madisonumc.org)

Madison UMC

The Names of God

This six-week study is continuing from our recent joint Sunday School class.

Led by Tracey Thompson in the Sanctuary

Books will be available for purchase

FELLOWSHIP PARTNER CONNECTION MINISTRY

The Fellowship Partner Ministry is a team of MUMC members that are paired with new members and guests to serve as hosts who Pray for, are Available to, make Contact with, and are an Example of discipleship to new people to MUMC.

Join our Fellowship Partner Team in the MUMC Chapel

Tuesday, August 31, 2021, 6:00 – 7:00 P.M.

for an open discussion about the FP ministry.

Rev. Ben Butler ben@madisonumc.org

Dupree Petty dupperty@yahoo.com



The Connection Ministry Team is working to grow and strengthen our Fellowship Partner Team and we ask that you prayerfully consider serving as a Fellowship Partner.

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Join our Fellowship Partner Team in the MUMC Chapel on **Tuesday, August 31, 2021, 6:00 – 7:00 P.M.** for an open discussion about the FP ministry. We will discuss how we can grow Fellowship Partners and strengthen its role in the Connection Ministry. We hope to see you then! If you are interested, contact Dupree Petty, dupperty@yahoo.com or Ben Butler ben@madisonumc.org.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



Jay, Hannah, Gates, & Preston Hogg joined the MUMC church family on August 22. Preston was also baptized.



Jay, Ashley, Jake, Kirsten, & Katie Norris became members of Madison UMC on August 22. Kirsten & Katie were also baptized.

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 if prayer is still needed.

PRAYER REQUESTS – MUMC MEMBERS

Carol Ann Ables	Vernon Hull	Ray Phillips
Ann Artmann	Frank Hunt	Frank Riley
Leona Bishop	Judy McArthur	Trey Russell
Larry Bourne	Barrie McArthur	Shauna Sansing
Rod Coleman	The Moody Family	Buzz/Pam Shoemaker
Betsy Cowden	Willie Moore	George Taquino
Elbert Day	James Morphis	Courtney Tucker
Bob Ellis	Carlton O'Keefe	Bryce Upshaw
Janie Harris	Phillip Perry	Jim Wiseman

PRAYER REQUESTS—FAMILY MEMBERS/FRIENDS

Kenneth Brown	Cindy Phillips' relative
Mac Holmes	Susan Hunt's brother-in-law
Blake Hutto	Billy/Debbie Hutto's son
Lauren Luter	Jim/Ruth Elam's granddaughter
Sandra Miller	Friend of MUMC
Margaret Montgomery	Sarah Largen's mother
Fran Sharp	Jim/Ruth Elam's relative
Sarah Weeks	Gina Holcomb's mother

Hospice/Assisted/Living/Nursing Homes

The Blake: Fabia Smith; Paul Haywood

Beau Ridge: Frankie Mitchell; Joyce Logue; Joan Winstead

St. Catherine's Village: Clara Derrington; Lou Jennings; Norma Richards; Cappy Paine; Rosalind Ross; Barbara Pittman; Mary Salvatore

Home Place: Margi Baley, Barbara Mapp, Evelyn Palmer

The Orchard: Maggie Hart, Frances Williams, Eleanor Dauenhauer

Expectant Parents: Beckie & Josh Lee

In Memoriam

Garnett Harris—8/11/21

Father of Mary Campbell

Chuck Dauenhauer—8/14/21

Husband of Eleanor Dauenhauer
Member of MUMC

Allison Friel—8/19/21

Daughter of Janice Stenmark

Homer Sledge—8/19/21

Father of Joyce Tucker

We express our sympathy to the families.

MUMC REPORT

	Worship Attendance	Sunday School
08/01/21	358	
08/08/21	N/A	
08/15/21	329	
08/22/21	308	

	Offering		Year-To-Date
	Cash/Check	Electronic	All Giving
08/01/21	\$36,626.00	\$10,840.00	\$1,408,597.00
08/08/21	\$48,014.00	\$24,097.00	\$1,480,708.00
08/15/21	\$30,109.00	\$ 7,558.00	\$1,518,375.00
08/22/21	\$12,000.00	\$12,426.00	\$1,542,801.00

Education Building Cost: \$5,227,203.00

Education Building Mortgage

Balance (as of 8/03/21): \$1,658,818.00

Can't join us this Sunday? Can't find your checkbook and don't have cash on Sunday morning? Join our members who are using online giving for automated giving to Madison UMC. It is secure, convenient, has no extra cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our church. Sign up today by visiting www.madisonumc.org/give. Contact our church office with any questions at info@madisonumc.org.



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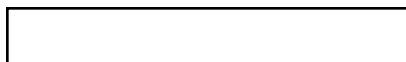
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MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP

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

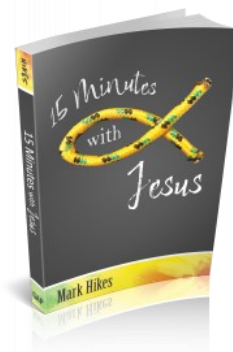
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**For the 1st Year of the Plan, go to
<http://www.readpraylovedaily.com/year-1-plan/>;
the 3rd Year plan is below

Sun., Aug. 29 – Luke 20
Mon., Aug. 30 – Luke 21
Tues., Aug. 31 – Isaiah 16
Wed., Sept. 1 – Isaiah 17
Thurs., Sept. 2 – Isaiah 18
Fri., Sept. 3 – Isaiah 19
Sat., Sept. 4 – Psalm 137

Sun., Sept. 5 – Luke 18
Mon., Sept. 6 – Luke 19
Tues., Sept. 7 – Isaiah 20
Wed., Sept. 8 – Isaiah 21
Thurs., Sept. 9 – Isaiah 22
Fri., Sept. 10 – Isaiah 23
Sat., Sept. 11 – Psalm 138



**SAVE THE DATE - 15 MINUTES WITH JESUS
BOOK LAUNCH**

One of our own church members, Mark Hikes, has just written a book based on his work with our Student Ministry during the pandemic. The book, *15 Minutes with Jesus*, features 12 weekly themes presented in a text conversation style. Each theme helps to build a consistent relationship with our Shepherd and shows readers how their life can be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit as it applies to everyday life.

Our church family is invited to the book launch event, which is scheduled for Saturday, August 28, 2021, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at our church. You can visit the webpage for the book (<https://www.greatamericanpublishers.com/media-kit-15-minutes-with-jesus/>) to learn more about the material and to sample several pages of the book.

STUDENT MINISTRY
Cory Phillips 601-856-6058 or email cory@madisonumc.org

Sunday Night Family Groups are back!

Dinner: 6:00—6:30 p.m.;

Games and Worship: 6:30 -7:15 p.m.

Small Groups/Family Groups: 7:15—8:00 p.m.

At 8:00 p.m. we close with a special time of prayer in the Chapel

We are excited to be back for this school year. Invite some friends and Come hangout tonight!

If you are interested in being part of our student led praise band, come to praise band practice at 5:00 p.m. and see what it is about.

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN
FOR FALL ADULT CHURCH LEAGUE SPORTS!
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ANY OF THESE, CONTACT:
CORY@MADISONUMC.ORG**

Sign-up deadlines

**Men's Basketball:
September 1**

**Coed Volleyball:
September 15**

**Men's Softball:
September 1**



KIDS MINISTRY
Renee Scales 601-856-6058 or email renee@madisonumc.org



2021-22 KIDS Ministry Contact Form

This form has been emailed to families with children. You can also print a copy from our website (www.madisonumc.org). **It is important for us to know about allergies and have emergency contact information!** Completed forms can be returned to the Church Office, faxed to the Office at 601-856-6061, emailed to renee@madisonumc.org, or returned to the KIDS Check-in Center.

First Grade

Bible Presentation

Our 1st graders will receive their Bibles **Sunday, August 29**. Bibles will be presented both at **the 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. worship services**.



Wednesday Night Activities

Sept. 8 – First Wednesday Night for Fall 2021 - KIDS Choirs Start & 1st Night of Classes for our KIDS (2 ½ year olds – 6th graders). **Volunteers are needed!**

Details about Wednesday night plans:

- We are asking that children remain at their table until 5:45 p.m. Those with children may not want to arrive too early since we cannot have children playing in the gym for now.
- SonShine Choir (1st – 6th grades) will meet from 5:45 – 6:10 p.m. We will meet in small groups on a rotational basis. If your child wants to participate in choir, please email Lori at lori@madisonumc.org. On their “off Wednesday” choir members will join the KIDS play.
- SonBeams Choir (3 year olds – K5) will meet as part of their class time.
- If your child is not participating in SonShine Choir, you can take your children to KIDS Play from 5:45 p.m.- 6:15 p.m. (PreSchool-5K - west playground, 1st-6th graders - east playground). If it is raining, children may be dropped off at the KIDS Ministry check-in in the Atrium to be taken to their KIDS Play options.



Confirmation

Our Kickoff Event is a supper & activities for you, your 6th grader, their mentors, & siblings. It will be **Sunday, September 12, at 6:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC)**. Parents, Kick-off Reservation Cards were emailed this week.

To help in your future planning, we will meet each Sunday morning during the Sunday School hour (without mentors) & each Sunday night from 6:00-8:00 p.m. (with mentors). We will NOT have Sunday night class on October 10 or October 31. Confirmation Sunday is November 14. If you have any questions, please let me know.

MENTOR

Do You Want to be a Confirmation Mentor?

Sometimes we are asked to help a 6th grader select a mentor, and it is important to have a list of people who are interested in serving during Confirmation! What is a mentor? A mentor is someone who supports & encourages their Confirmand as they develop/continue a unique relationship with him/her. Being a mentor does not mean that you know all the answers. It does mean that you will share your faith in an authentic way & that you will be a good listener. If you are interested in serving or have questions, please let me know!

If you are interested in working in the Nursery on Sunday mornings, Wednesday nights, and other scheduled times, please contact Paige Wright (melpaigew@yahoo.com) for an application or for more information. Applicants must be at least 21 years old and will be required to obtain CPR/First Aid Certification as well as pass a background check.





Blessing of the Backpacks

Wednesday, August 18
and
Sunday, August 22



Missions and Outreach News

POSTPONED:

We have decided to postpone the **Mission Fair** and the **Rise Against Hunger** food packing event until later this fall. We want to have these events when more people will feel comfortable to volunteer and participate.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY:

In August and September, we will join with several area Methodist churches to renovate a **Habitat for Humanity** house at 4623 Locksley Drive in Jackson.

Madison UMC has a dedicated day of Saturday, August 28, but you can also volunteer to work on September 11 and 25. You can volunteer for a morning (7:45 AM to noon) or afternoon (12:45 PM to 4:00 PM) shift or the entire day.

Any skills are appreciated, from demolition, carpentry, painting, to general clean up. To volunteer you may call the Habitat Volunteer Coordinator, Callie Ainsworth at 601-353-6060 or Dave Coon at 601-946-4951.



METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME DONATION:

Thanks to the generosity of our church and youth group, Kristen Harwell was able to deliver backpacks, gift cards and more to Methodist Children's Home. Please contact Kristen at kris10harwell@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer or find out more about Methodist Children's Home.



DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION

Sunday, September 5
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Please enter through one of the
west entrances

MENU FOR SEPTEMBER 8 WAM FELLOWSHIP MEAL

- Oven Baked Picnic Chicken with Creamy Leek Dipping Sauce
- Bacon Ranch Potato Salad
- Cajun Corn Pops
- Zucchini Tomato Stacks
- Choice of 1 salad (dressings are on the side) -- Bel Air Salad (Spring Mix with blueberries, strawberries, toasted pecans and feta with Orange Vinaigrette) OR Southern Wedge Salad (Iceberg with tomatoes, bacon, purple onions, cheddar and Julie's Comeback or Buttermilk Herb Dressing)
- Desserts -- Chocolate Caramel Cake in a Cup, Banana Trifle with Brown Sugar Pecan Wafers, Blueberry Lemon Pound Cake, Flower Sugar Cookies
- Sugar Free/Gluten Free Dessert -- French Almond Cake

Kids --

- Oven Baked Chicken Strips with Ranch or BBQ Sauce
- Corn on the Cob
- Baked Potato Wedges

Soft Serve Ice Cream and the Super Salad Bar will return at a later date.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUPS - FALL 2021

Madison United Methodist Church

Sunday Evening Bible Study: All Ages

- Sundays from 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- Location: Admin Conference Room
- Contact: Camie Young (601)622-2904
- Study: *Get Out of Your Head* (Jennie Allen)
- Starts September 12

Faithful Friends: Approximate Ages (50-60)

- Mondays at 6:00 p.m.
- Location: Room 204 (Fellowship Hall)
- Contact: Vickie Graves (601)942-7023
- Study: TBD
- Starts September 20

Redeemed: All Ages

- Tuesdays at 9:30-11:00 a.m.
- Location: Multi-Purpose Room
- Contact: Tracey Thompson (601)906-1744
- Study: *Ruth and Galatians*
- Starts August 24

Sisters Bible Study: Ages 60 and up

- Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
- Location: Multi-Purpose Room
- Contact: Patricia Stanfield (601)259-0480
- Study: *Ten Words (10 Commandments)* by Jen Wilkin
- Starts September 9



SAVE THE DATE:

- REDEEMED WOMEN EVENT**
Monday, September 13 (6:00-8:00 p.m.)
Multi-Purpose Room
- "SEASONS OF FAITH" EVENT**
Thursday, October 14 (6:00-8:00 p.m.)
Christian Life Center (Gym)

Friends in Faith: Approximate Ages (50+)

- Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- Location: Multi-Purpose Room
- Contact: Rev. Linda Rickman (601)856-6058
- Study: *Psalms* (Dr. Sandy Richter)
- Starts September 8

UMW

The Naomi-Ruth Circle invites you to join us for some very interesting and informative discussions of mission work, both locally and internationally.

- First Monday of each month at 9:45 a.m.
- Fellowship Hall or Zoom
- Contact: Sue Lauderdale (601)674-2996

Contact Rev. Linda Rickman
(linda@madisonumc.org;
601.856.6058) for more information
about these studies.

Please park on the west side of our
campus for any of these meetings.

ADULT MINISTRY
Rev. Ben Butler 601-856-6058 or email ben@madisonumc.org

NEW DOOR EVENT FOR GUESTS & NEW MEMBERS
SAVE THE DATE (September 12)



We invite anyone, especially recent guests and new members, to join staff & some church members to get introduced to the people, mission, and ministries of Madison UMC. You will be introduced to many of our staff & the ministry areas to which they relate (Kids, Students, Missions, Music, Groups/Classes, Women, Prayer, etc.), have an opportunity to ask questions, and spend time in getting to know one another a bit. New Door will happen on ***Sunday, September 12 in the Multi-Purpose Room (2nd floor of Education Building) during Sunday School time (9:45-10:30 am).***

RIGHT NOW MEDIA + GRACE MINISTRIES ONLINE
(Resources for Individuals, Families, Classes, & Groups).



ARE YOU TAKING ADVANTAGE OF YOUR FREE RIGHT NOW MEDIA ACCOUNT THROUGH MUMC?

Right Now Media is a streaming Bible study resource MUMC has secured for our members and guests. For some suggested studies, please periodically check www.madisonumc.org/rnm. If you want to receive an email invitation to access RNM please contact Ben Butler (ben@madisonumc.org).

We also have an account with Grace Ministries Online with video resources for Christian marriage, family, grief, crisis, men, and kid friendly movies. Go to <https://www.grace101.org/> and use **madisonumc** as both the username and password.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY
Rev. Linda Rickman 601-856-6058 or email Linda@madisonumc.org

REDEEMED WOMEN

FELLOWSHIP, WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY

*With Sol Maisonet, Olivia Martin,
Tracey Thompson & Rev. Linda Rickman*

9/13/21 6-8PM

Madison United Methodist Church | 100 Post Oak Rd, Madison, MS
In the Multipurpose Room

Join us for an evening with food, fellowship, worship and Bible study. There is no charge. Simply RSVP to redemedwomengathering@gmail.com. Bring your friends and kick off the Fall with a time of study on what it means to be the blessed daughter of our Heavenly Father.

SEPTEMBER VIPs CANCELED

The September in-person VIP luncheon (originally scheduled for September 14) has been canceled. It will be rescheduled at a time when the threat from COVID-19 has lessened.