

Sunday Services, June 21, 2020

Cancelled—watch the livestream of our 8:30 a.m. service

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## MADISON UMC – REOPENING PLANS & GUIDELINES

*“Building Faithful Disciples, Serving Jesus Christ”*

### Stage 1 - On-Site Worship Services are set to resume on June 28

#### Sanctuary (8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.)

- ◆ Masks are required.
- ◆ Please park in the west parking lot (Church Office) and enter by the west and south (Main Street) entrances of the Sanctuary.
- ◆ In case of rain, those attending worship in the sanctuary may enter through the east entrance (Covered drive-through/porte cochere).

#### Multi-Purpose Room [2nd floor of Education Building] (8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.)

- ◆ Masks are encouraged.
- ◆ Please park in the east parking lot and enter by the east (covered drop-off/porte cochere) entrance for the Education Building.

#### Guidelines

- ◆ Time your arrival for 10 minutes prior to the start of the service.
- ◆ Family units may sit next to each other in worship, but everyone must practice social distancing.
- ◆ Offering baskets will be placed at the exits of each room.
- ◆ We will not use bulletins, pew Bibles, or hymnals during this stage.
- ◆ A nursery, the children’s sermon, and on-site Sunday School classes cannot be offered during this reopening stage.
- ◆ Sunday School rooms on the second floor of the Education Building will be set aside for nursing mothers, for parents with infants, and for overflow crowds.

#### Registration

- ◆ Please register each week by noting your preferred attendance time and worship site. This can be done by signing in at the designated tab on our website, or you can call the church office for assistance. More information about this simple process is in this newsletter and on our website.

#### Reminders

- ◆ All doors will be opened for you by Greeters. Ushers will direct you to your seating. They will both be wearing face coverings.
- ◆ The sanctuary, restrooms, and Multi-Purpose Room will be cleaned between services.
- ◆ Hand sanitizer stations will be readily available throughout the building.
- ◆ There will be no coffee stations or food available during this time. We also ask that you do not bring your own food or coffee to the campus.
- ◆ Please sneeze or cough into a tissue or the inside of your elbow.
- ◆ We will have music at these worship services but congregational singing may be postponed for a short season as we continue to explore how to best minimize risk.
- ◆ The length of the services will be moderately abbreviated, so Sunday School classes should be able to meet via Zoom from 9:40 a.m.-10:25 a.m.
- ◆ Individuals with serious underlying health conditions, including high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, obesity, asthma, and those whose immune systems are compromised (such as chemotherapy and other conditions requiring such therapy) are encouraged to stay at home and join us online.
- ◆ Those who have a fever and/or feel sick should stay at home and join us online.

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***Please know that our plans may change week to week based on the latest available information. We may be able to move quickly to Stage 2 or we may have to go back and suspend services at some point. Thank you for your patience as we continue to monitor those developments and move as safely and as wisely as we can.***

### **Stage 2 and Stage 3 – Expanding our Reopening**

Our Trustees and our Administrative Council are working on a six-month plan to bring us all back together as safely and as quickly as possible. We will publish the plans for those stages soon.

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## **Madison UMC – Office and Building Reopening Plans & Guidelines**

### **Building/Campus – Stage 1**

- Groups desiring to use rooms in the church must make an appointment with our church office. It will be very helpful to us in making sure to have air-conditioning on, the rooms reserved, and prompt cleaning afterward.
- All people on our campus must abide by social distancing. Mask coverings are strongly encouraged.
- By the recommendations of the Governor and from our Bishop, the Christian Life Center (gym) will remain closed through this initial stage.
- There will not be a nursery for meetings. Children and students cannot stay in separate rooms while their parents are in meetings.

### **Church Office – Stage 1**

- Our church staff are returning to church office on a rotating basis. Some staff who are at high-risk will not be available to meet with you in person.
- We are asking that staff members meet with each other and with members of our church family in the Conference Room and not in their offices. Larger groups of people will need to meet in the Fellowship Hall area for better ventilation and for proper social distancing.
- Please make an appointment when you desire to meet with a member of our staff to ensure that we have rooms available for you to meet.
- You can still contact our staff by emailing them using their first name and then “@madisonumc.org” or by calling our church.



# 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

Gene Albrecht	James Morphis	Bob Walters
Cathy Cauthen	Robin Morris	Josh Woodward
Betsy Cowden	Bruce Papizan	Janet Zoble
Amy Field	Dupree Petty	
J. D. Ingram	Barbara Pittman	
Margaret Mason	Jeff Purvis	
Rachel McHann	Elinor Rummel	
Jerri Lynn Mitchell	Trey Russell	
The Moody Family	Mary Salvatore	
Willie Moore	Shauna Sansing	
Florence Morphis	Courtney Tucker	

### Hospice/Assisted/Living/Nursing Homes

**The Arbor:** Leon 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:

**New Babies:** Mary Hampton Brown, daughter of Ross & Lauren Brown and baby sister of Ann Rivers & Collins, was born May 30.

### Prayer Requests—Family Members and Friends

Clint Bryant	Louisa Swindle's family member
Millicent Cuevas	Mike/Becke Bounds' friend
Janet Ellis	Merle Ellis' daughter
Mark Gilbert	Carole Armstrong's friend
James "Bud" Harper	Cecil Harper's brother
Clark & Jan Hogue	Carol Kirkland's friends
Bob Mason	Marsha Petty's father
Marie Melichar	Marcia Whatley's mother
Roger Vehorn	Barbara Martin's brother
Sharon Walton	Lynn Dean's cousin
Newton Wasson	Rodger Wasson's brother

## MUMC REPORT

	Offering		Year-To-Date
	Cash/Check	Electronic	All Giving
05/24/20	\$ 6,910.00	\$12,159.00	\$ 819,512.37
05/31/20	\$20,055.00	\$10,830.00	\$ 850,397.37
06/07/20	\$28,426.00	\$22,160.00	\$ 900,983.37
06/14/20	\$61,670.45	\$ 5,595.00	\$ 968,248.82

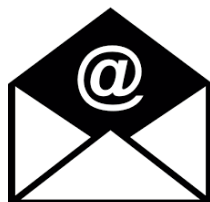
Education Building Cost: \$5,227,203.00

Education Building Mortgage

Balance (as of 6/01/2020): \$2,170,025.47

### 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



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.

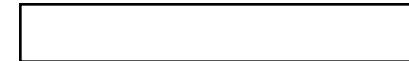
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**MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP**  
Rev. James E. Swanson, Sr., Resident Bishop  
Rev. Connie Shelton, District Superintendent  
Rev. Barry Male, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Ben Butler, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Linda Rickman, Congregational Care

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



Sun., June 21 – Matthew 9  
Mon., June 22 – Matthew 10  
Tues., June 23 – 1 Kings 6  
Wed., June 24 – 1 Kings 7  
Thurs., June 25 – 1 Kings 8  
Fri., June 26 – 1 Kings 9  
Sat., June 27 - Psalm 75

Sun., June 28 – Matthew 11  
Mon., June 29 – Matthew 12  
Tues., June 30 – 1 Kings 10  
Wed., July 1 – 1 Kings 11  
Thurs., July 2 – 1 Kings 12  
Fri., July 3 – 1 Kings 13  
Sat., July 4 - Psalm 76



The annual Faithbuilders Sunday school class Rummage Sale originally scheduled for May 30 has been postponed. It is now tentatively rescheduled to be held on August 1.

So hang on to all of your “good junk” and look for further updates as soon as plans are confirmed!





**VBS 2020 MISSION PROJECT:  
Help us See 20/20 for Hungry Families in Madison County!**

Madison UMC is having a food drive to help MadCAAP feed 100 families each week.

MadCAAP has asked us to focus on 4 items –

**peanut butter,  
jelly (plastic jars please),  
cereal, &  
white rice.**

If we are able to collect 2020 items, we can provide these items for 100 families for 5 weeks.

Instead of a traditional VBS Closing, we will have a special drive-through to bring our food items to the church on **Wednesday, June 24 between 3 – 5 p.m.** PUT ON YOUR GLASSES (sunglasses, super hero glasses, safety goggles, crazy glasses, etc.) & drive through the porte cochere (drive through at the new building), & we will unload your car for you! And who knows what Bro. Barry & Mrs. Reneé will be up to!!

If you can't come by on June 24, you can also drop off your items any time during the month of June. Just leave them in the bins under the porte cochere. There are also 2 ways you can make a monetary donation.

1. Give online by clicking on the “Give” tab on our website – [madisonumc.org](http://madisonumc.org). Please choose “Special Gifts.”
2. Mail your check to Madison UMC – 100 Post Oak Rd. – Madison, MS 39110. Please put “VBS Mission” in the memo section.

If you have questions, please let Mrs. Reneé know – [renee@madisonumc.org](mailto:renee@madisonumc.org)!

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

### JUNIOR HIGH MISSION TRIP UPDATE

I am excited for our upcoming trip in July, however I need to make you aware of some changes. We are no longer going to Birmingham, instead we are going to Camp Wesley Pines in Gallman, MS and we will have the whole place to ourselves. The plan is to leave Sunday afternoon, July 19 and return Tuesday evening, July 21. We will have the whole camp to ourselves as well as all the activities we want, plus we are going to be able to help with a service project while we are there! The price will remain the same for the trip. Feel free to send me any questions you have. I will send out packing list and more details as the trip gets closer.



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

### MADISON UMM AWARD FRANK WILSON SCHOLARSHIP

Please join the Madison United Methodist Men in congratulating Frank Allen Riley, III, this year's recipient of the 2020 Frank Wilson Memorial Scholarship. Mr. Riley has combined an outstanding academic record with a strong work ethic and devoted service to our Church activities and mission work. Mr. Riley plans to attend the University of Alabama in the fall and will study to become an athletic trainer and physical therapist.



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## GIVING AND MISSIONS UPDATE

### Thank you!

We are doing very well financially as a church through this difficult season. Our giving was only down 15% for the month of May and that is very encouraging. Our church is finding many new ways to reach out locally, in the Metro area, and around the world so we need your continued support to serve our church and to help others during this time. Thank you again for your faithfulness!



### SUMMER BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

We are continuing our weekly Wednesday Night Bible Study through the month of June and July. We are pleased to announce that different church members and staff will lead those Bible studies each week. We hope that these studies will encourage you in your faith and will be a way for us to stay connected as a church family. You can find these studies each Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m. on our YouTube channel, on our Facebook page, and on our website.

### MUMC Outreach News

Here are a few of the ways in which our church family continues to share God's love and to serve our community during this season:

1. **Ronald McDonald House**
2. **Phase 2 House of Crossroads Ministry** - Celebrate Recovery team members provided a meal to the residents.
3. **Food for the hungry:** Your generosity has helped us supply money to **Why Not Now, Moody Mission (Legacy Mission Int.)**, and more beyond our normal contribution to provide meals to needy families in Jackson and around the world. We were also able to donate food from our kitchen freezer to help those in need.
4. **Response Teams** (Supply & Delivery, HandyMan, and Yard Work)
5. Making and delivering masks.



6. **Our students** (42 in all!) at their first **Mission Monday** of the summer packing boxes for **Vacation Bible School**. (see picture)

7. **Habitat for Humanity:** - The MLK rehab home we participated in this Spring was Dedicated on Friday, June 12th.



8. Providing resources for 50 children separated from their families to have an Easter celebration.

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**Below are a few of the ways you can serve others now and in the near future:**

**Serving our church:**

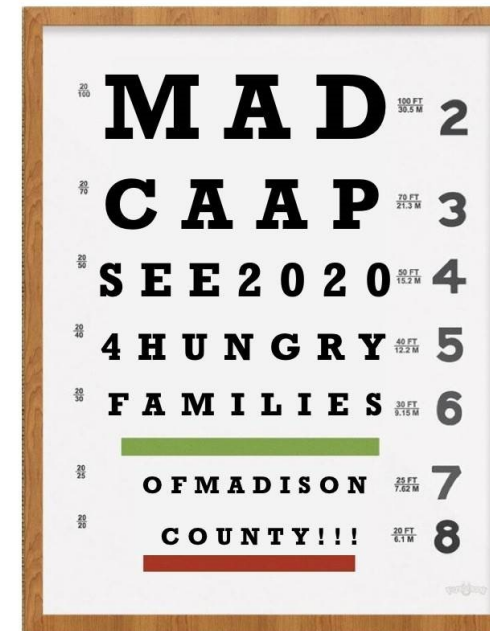
We always have the ongoing opportunity to serve one another, but especially during the Covid-19 crisis through our response teams (Supply & Delivery, HandyMan, and Yard Work). Email [steve@madisonumc.org](mailto:steve@madisonumc.org) if you have needs or would like to be on one of these teams.

**Serving Madison:**

As organizations begin to reopen, we will slowly begin to serve our mission partners in person.

**MadCAAP: Help us see 2020 for hungry families in Madison County.** Madison UMC is having a food drive to help MadCAAP feed 100 families each week. MadCAAP has asked us to focus on 4 items (**peanut butter, jelly [plastic jars please], cereal, and white rice**). If we are able to collect 2020 items, we can provide these items for 100 families for 5 weeks. Help us reach this goal by placing your food donations on the table under the porte-cochere all through the month of June.

We encourage Sunday school classes and small groups to take on this challenge together. If you want someone to purchase and deliver these items for you, email [steve@madisonumc.org](mailto:steve@madisonumc.org)  
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**Serving Mississippi:**

**Delta Grace:** Delta Grace is a ministry to the low income area of the Delta, is a great multi-generational ministry, and is taking the necessary safety precautions (see <https://deltagrace.org/covid19/>). We are planning to return with a team in October. Please email [steve@madisonumc.org](mailto:steve@madisonumc.org) or [cschuss093@gmail.com](mailto:cschuss093@gmail.com) if you are interested in going and want more info.

**Serving the World:**

**Rise Against Hunger:** We have a meal packing date scheduled for Sunday, August 23rd. We will keep everyone informed of any changes and safety procedures as that date approaches.

**Operation Christmas Child:** You can begin picking up boxes toward the end of October in the Atrium, and return them in the middle of November.



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**"Y'all Come on Back Now, Ya Hear!":**  
**Gathering Back on Campus for Worship**

**#1 - You Can Be a "DOORKEEPER in the House of God!" (Greeter/Usher Training for Reopening of In-Person Worship)**

**WHAT?** Training to serve as doorgreeters/ushers in light of how we need to come back to campus for worship

**WHO?** Anyone who is willing and able to help our family and guests gather in a safe and orderly fashion

**WHEN?** Monday, June 22 @ 6:30 PM & Tuesday, June 23 @ 6:30 PM

**WHERE?** Zoom video conferencing; meeting info will come by email and text once you register for training.

**HOW DO I REGISTER?** Follow the instructions below for registering for worship at <http://madisonumc.thersvpapp.com> and CHOOSE Location #3, "Greeters/Ushers" (see item #2 in the instructions below).

**#2 - We Need You to REGISTER for Sunday Morning Worship**

Given our large congregation and the space constraints we need to live under during this stage of coming back, we are asking our MUMC family to REGISTER for worship.

Go to <http://madisonumc.thersvpapp.com> either on your smartphone, tablet, or computer. You will see a picture of the front of our sanctuary. You will need to:

- (1) Click on the blue **SIGN-UP NOW** tab;
- (2) **CHOOSE** which Location you hope to worship in with others (#1 for Sanctuary, #2 for Multi-Purpose Room);
- (3) **CHOOSE** which time you plan to worship in that Location (8:30 am or 11:00 am);
- (4) **ADD** (use +/- buttons as needed) the total number of people attending from your household (yourself + any additional family members), then click **CONTINUE**;
- (5) Give **BASIC CONTACT INFO** (First & Last Name, Email, Cell #), then click **SEND RSVP**. You will receive an email confirming your registration, and there is a link in your email if you need to cancel your registration.

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

There are a TON of great Christian-themed kids videos, video Bible studies (including study guides), and more.



A parent shared recently that they are doing one of the Bible study series with their teen and pre-teen children. What about trying one as a personal, couples, or family study -- like Dr. Tony Evans' study on John 1-12? It has 8-11 minute videos with an optional study guide. If you have not accessed your FREE account yet through MUMC, please email Ben Butler ([ben@madisonumc.org](mailto:ben@madisonumc.org)) to get a new invitation email.

## **MADISON UMC *MOVING FORWARD* CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY RESULTS**

We are grateful for the incredible response from our church family for this survey. Our Trustees, Administrative Council, and pastors have reviewed your entries and your comments to help guide our work in reopening the church. **Thank you!**

We wanted to share the results of the survey with our church, too. There were a few questions with only one or two entries, and a few other questions which were only for informational purposes for our staff so we have deleted those from this reporting.

<b>Responses</b>	<b>20s</b>	<b>30s</b>	<b>40s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>60s</b>	<b>70s</b>	<b>80s</b>	<b>90s</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
1) Age Group	7	40	54	51	76	52	20	1	2	303
2) Conditions: All in Main Sanctuary	3	7	7	11	20	9	4	0	0	61
2) Conds.: Masks not/no Ingr. essential	0	18	26	16	21	11	6	0	1	99
2) Conds.: Social dist. reduced/rescinded	2	16	16	24	23	12	4	0	1	98
2) Conds.: Nursery/KIDS ministry offered	1	18	9	1	5	2	0	0	0	36
2) Conditions: Relatively safe for high-risk	2	10	11	17	47	44	14	1	1	147
2) Conditions: No major concerns	0	7	14	10	11	5	1	0	0	48
3) Attitude: As Soon As Open	5	15	18	8	17	3	0	0	0	66
3) Attitude: ASA Open But Cautious	2	10	15	20	17	9	6	0	0	79
3) Attitude: Add. Weeks After Open	0	6	13	11	23	22	5	0	1	81
3) Attitude: Be a While Before Coming	0	4	2	7	9	5	1	0	0	28
3) Attitude: Vaccine	0	1	0	0	0	8	3	1	0	13
3) Attitude: Not Sure	0	2	3	3	7	4	4	0	0	23
3) Attitude: Other	0	2	3	2	3	1	1	0	1	13

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A dedication service was held last week for the Habitat House on which several of our members worked. Below are photos of the work day and the finished house.



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A number of MUMC members spent a work day at Delta Grace recently. Another trip is planned in the fall, and you are invited and encouraged to participate. Contact Steve Potter to become a part of this great ministry!

