
Sunday Services, November 22, 2020
Services in the Sanctuary at 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

LORD'S ACRE SUNDAY
November 22, 2020

For over fifty years the family of Madison United Methodist Church has celebrated God's goodness with a service known as The Lord's Acre. Starting in the days when Madison was an agricultural community our congregation began taking up a special offering at harvest time to be used for facility needs of our church such as building expansion, major repairs, and debt reduction. This has enabled us to focus our regular budget on our ministry programs. This year the Lord's Acre collection will be used primarily to retire the debt for the Educational Building that provided additional space for children, youth, and adult ministries.

This year, Lord's Acre Day will be SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd. We will receive a special offering during the morning worship services. Because of COVID-19 concerns, we will not have our normal Thanksgiving Service and covered dish meal that evening. We as a church family must do what we can to continue our current ministries and we understand that many may not be able to contribute to Lord's Acre this year. However, we welcome gifts from those who have received financial blessings and are in position to share. "You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." (2 Corinthians 9:11).



Congratulations to Ric Stanfield as he retires from our Director of Buildings and Grounds. Ric has faithfully served in this position for more than fifteen years and has cared for our facilities with love and great care for each one of those years. Ric and Patricia have been members of MUMC for twenty seven years so he will not be leaving our church family but will be enjoying some well-deserved time with family. THANK YOU RIC!

We welcome Doug Owens as our new Director of Buildings and Grounds. Doug has worked part time with MUMC for the past six years in this area and brings a great deal of experience to the position. He and his family have been members of MUMC for 10 years and value their relationships within our church family. Welcome Doug!



WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON HAS RESUMED!

All of the studies and groups will meet from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Students will meet in the Chapel, adult small groups will meet in the upstairs classrooms of our new Education Building, and children will have childcare (K-6th graders – Multi-Purpose Room; 4 year olds and under – Nursery Wing). **The Pastor's Bible Study will now only meet online. The study will be uploaded every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. on our Facebook page, YouTube channel, and website. You can watch the study live or anytime later.** We will not be able to have our Wednesday Night Supper just yet.

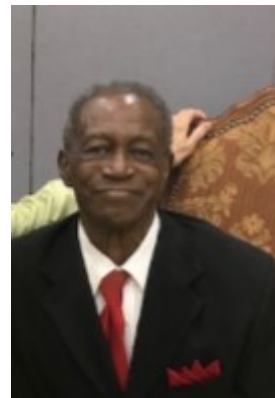
SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM ASSIGNMENTS AND ZOOM ROOMS

2 year olds and under – Nursery Wing
3 year olds-6th grade – Education Building
Students – Chapel Basement

Journey of Faith – Fellowship Hall
New Covenant – Chapel
Faith Builders – Gym
Asbury – Room 201
Young Professional Group – Room 118
Zoom rooms for parents/grandparents – Rooms 206 & Room 127

We hope to bring more adult classes back to campus as soon as we have time to navigate and evaluate these changes. Thank you for your patience!

YOU CAN HELP!



A long-time and former employee of Madison UMC, Willie Moore, recently lost his house and all of his possessions due to a fire. Please keep his family in your prayers. Our church immediately began to reach out to him and to help them financially. Please consider giving a gift to the church to help support his family in this hard season. You can make your check out to “MUMC” and please write “Willie” in the memo line or click “Special Gifts” on the “Give” option of our church app or website and then type “Willie” in the “Note” tab. Thank you!

ADULT MINISTRY

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

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. Our MUMC Bible Reading Plan is taking us into the Gospel of John on Sundays and Mondays (which you can find each day at www.readpraylovedaily.com). This might be a great opportunity to do a deep dive in John personally, as a family, and/or with your Discipleship Group or Sunday School class. **RNM** offers a 2-part series on the Gospel of John featuring respected Christian teacher Dr. Tony Evans that could enrich your reading and study. If you want to receive an email invitation to access **RNM**, please contact **Ben Butler** (ben@madisonumc.org).



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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

Margi Baley	Marc Lauderdale	Nancy Quinn
Charles Coghlan	Judy McArthur	Ervin Robertson
Betsy Cowden	Margaret Mason	Elinor Rummel
Bob Ellis	Bob Matthews	Trey Russell
Marty Ford	Ben Mitchell	Mary Salvatore
Butch & Dianne Harms	Jerri Lynn Mitchell	Shauna Sansing
J. D. Ingram	The Moody Family	Clay Sellers
Brenda Johnson	Willie Moore	Courtney Tucker
Hershel Johnson	James Morphis	Dwayne Walley
Jane Jordan	Robin Morris	Keith Walton
Mary Frances Kelly	Dupree Petty	Connie Wiseman
	Barbara Pittman	Janet Zoble

Prayer Requests—Family Members and Friends

Kate Box	Mary Blaylock's friend
Lee LaBan	Allen LaBan's brother
Roger Vehorn	Barbara Martin's brother
Jacob Willis	Linda Barker's grandson

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

In Memoriam

Donald O'Cain—11/9/20
Brother of Carole Armstrong

Claudine Matthews—11/12/20
Mother of FLEX leader Nancy Dinkins

We express our sympathy to the families.

Hospice/Assisted/Living/Nursing Homes

The Blake: Fabia Smith

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

St. Catherine's Village: Clara Derrington; Lou Jennings

Home Place: Margi Baley, Barbara Mapp

Expectant Parents: Hannah Rachel & Conner Smith; Jessica & Adam Dilley

New Birth: Ann Leighton Mays, daughter of Aubrey & Haley Mays, Born October 28

MUMC REPORT

	Offering		Year-To-Date
	Cash/Check	Electronic	All Giving
11/8/20	\$49,931.45	\$16,320.00	\$1,799,652.31
11/15/20	\$28,802.00	\$11,966.00	\$1,840,420.31

Education Building Cost: \$5,227,203.00

Education Building Mortgage

Balance (as of 10/05/2020): \$2,126,410.49

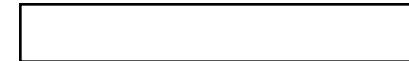
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MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP
Rev. James E. Swanson, Sr., Resident Bishop
Rev. Connie Shelton, District Superintendent
Rev. Barry Male, Senior Pastor
Rev. Ben Butler, Associate Pastor
Rev. Linda Rickman, Congregational Care

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Sun., Nov. 22 – John 7
Mon., Nov. 23 – John 8
Tues., Nov. 24 – 2 Chronicles 18
Wed., Nov. 25 – 2 Chronicles 19
Thurs., Nov. 26 – 2 Chronicles 20
Fri., Nov. 27 – 2 Chronicles 21
Sat., Nov. 28 - Psalm 97

Sun., Nov. 29 – John 9
Mon., Nov. 30 – John 10
Tues., Dec. 1 – 2 Chronicles 22
Wed., Dec. 2 – 2 Chronicles 23
Thurs., Dec. 3 – 2 Chronicles 24
Fri., Dec. 4 – 2 Chronicles 25
Sat., Dec. 5 - Psalm 98



INTERCESSORY PRAYER MEETINGS

The Intercessory Prayer group is now meeting on Zoom. We meet every Tuesday morning at 11:15 to pray for those on our prayer list. New participants are welcome to join us. If you would like to join us in this time of prayer, please contact Jackie Wilson at jackie@madisonumc.org or Rev. Linda Rickman at linda@madisonumc.org for the ZOOM information.



Below is a Thanksgiving devotion/activity for your family to enjoy together!

Stackin' and Snackin'

Kids will stack a snack and say all kinds of things they are thankful for.

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 16:34

Supplies: Bible, small cookies and canned frosting, or other food items like cheese cubes or Ritz crackers and cream cheese spread that can "stack," paper plates (1 per child), craft sticks or plastic knives (1 per child)

Prep: Put a scoop of frosting/spread on a paper plate, along with the same number of cookies/crackers and a craft stick for each child. Set the supplies on a table.

Tip: Have 5-6 items for each child to stack and then eat.

Hand each child a plate with the items they need for the game.

Say: **When I say, "Stack 'em high," frost/spread a cookie/cracker and stack cookies/crackers on top of one another on your plate. Each time you stack a cookie/cracker, say something you are thankful for. Ready? Stack'em high!** After four minutes, see how high kids have stacked 'em.

Then discuss the following questions:

What are you thankful for?

How do you give thanks to God?

Read 1 Chronicles 16:34, and say: **We should give God thanks for he is good and he loves us forever. Look at your stack of thanksgivings! I'm so thankful for all God's given us.**

Pray and then let everyone gobble up the goodies!



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



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Andy and Heather Reeves and children Addison and Ty joined our MUMC Church family on November 15.

**VIP's of Madison United Methodist Church
will have a drive-thru luncheon
At 12:00 noon Tuesday December 1**

Reservations MUST be made by noon Wednesday, November 25,
Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday!
Call the church office at 601-856-6058
Or email jone@madisonumc.org
Cost of lunch is \$5.00 per person-please have exact cash or check

To pick up your delicious Christmas Lunch
Please enter the Fellowship Hall
parking lot from Main Street



MISSION & OUTREACH MINISTRY
Steve Potter 601-856-6058 or email steve@madisonumc.org

If you have a heart for the least, the lost, and the lonely, inside and outside the walls of our church, please consider serving as a member of the Outreach Team. We meet the first, third and fifth Thursdays of each month. We serve as an accountability group and a service group. If you would like more information, please contact Steve Potter at the church office or a member of the Outreach Team: Diane Goolsby, Steve & Marcia Whatley, Dawn Steed, Rick Campbell, and Carolyn Schussler.

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Two weeks ago in our sermon we looked at how the early church in Acts was committed to fellowship and to grouping. Those continual practices greatly blessed them. Our church has many opportunities for you to connect with other believers so that you can grow in your faith. We hope that you will be a part of at least one of these several groups.

Sunday School classes: You can find information about the many classes that have on our church website (<http://www.madisonumc.org/adult-sunday-school>). Contact Rev. Ben Butler (ben@madisonumc.org) if you need help joining a class.



Discipleship Groups: Please consider joining or leading a small group. Discipleship Groups can meet at our church on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., which also includes child-care, or at any other location and time that suits your group. We are always wanting to start new small groups in our church, and we also need people to lead those groups. Fill out the form on our website to let us know of your interest (<http://www.madisonumc.org/discipleship-groups>).

Fellowship Partners (NEW): These persons pray for, connect with, and are available to our new church members for a season of several months to build relationship & help them get plugged in. Contact Rev. Ben Butler (ben@madisonumc.org) for information about this.



discipleship bands

Bands (NEW): These small groups of 3-4 people of the same gender meet together to talk about their spiritual lives and to offer encouragement and accountability to one another. Contact Rev. Butler (ben@madisonumc.org) for information about this new ministry.

Bible Studies: We have several Bible studies in our church which will give you the opportunity to learn but to also connect with other people. We have several men's studies meeting currently and here is a link for the current women's studies (<http://www.madisonumc.org/women>).



Fight Club (For Men): There are opportunities we are exploring (including Bands, large events, and studies) to enrich the spiritual brotherhood & growth of our church's men. Please visit <http://www.madisonumc.org/fightclub> for information and to indicate how you want to get involved.

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

JANUARY 15 - 18, 2021. GATLINBURG, TN

Elevate Conference

DUE TO COVID-19 SPACES ARE LIMITED
ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS WILL BE IN PLACE

Pricing options:

Ski Package - \$275

Snowboard - \$310

Conference Only - \$220

Deadline: Dec. 15 (\$100 due)

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