



Sunday Services, October 23

Worship Services in the Sanctuary at 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School classes at 9:30 a.m.

MADISON UMC ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL UPDATE

Our church family has been discussing denominational concerns for the past four years.

- Since 2018 we have had a dedicated webpage about those issues and General Conference developments (www.madisonumc.org/townhall). In 2019 and in 2022 our Administrative Council organized Town Halls, Sunday School and small group meetings with our pastor, as well as periodic announcements in worship, and more.
- This past June our Administrative Council developed a sub-committee to look more seriously at several concerns about our denomination and from their work the Administrative Council called for an Exploration Meeting with conference leadership to hear more about disaffiliating from our denomination.

After reviewing both the Annual Conference’s Zoom webinar and our church’s recent Exploration Meeting, the Administrative Council voted this past Sunday to continue the process by entering into a period of discernment about disaffiliation from our denomination.

What’s Next?

This process will be held over several months and there will be opportunities throughout it for the Administrative Council to pause the process.

- We will create a new website in the coming weeks that will provide timeline information, concerns about doctrinal, disconnection, and distrust issues, and what our denomination has also stated about those issues.
- Our Administrative Council will again ask Sunday Schools, small groups, and individuals to invite our pastor and members of our sub-committee to visit with them to hear your questions, listen to your concerns, and share information. We will also be planning Town Halls for more discussion.
- For the annual conference to approve a church’s disaffiliation at their June 2023 meeting, a churchwide vote about disaffiliation must occur before March 31, 2023.
- If our church were to disaffiliate, we have a sub-committee studying options for where we would go denominationally, and our church would get to vote on that.

Our church is a loving church, a serving church, and a discipling church.

As we go through this process, it is our Council’s hope that we will be loving and patient with one another and with this process.

We will keep our eyes on Christ who will sustain us through this season and on the ministry and mission with which He has blessed us.

Please contact our Senior Pastor, our Administrative Council chairperson, Wil Crawford, and our Lay Leaders, Olivia Martin and John Smith, with any questions or concerns.

WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON

- 5:15-6:00 p.m.—Supper
- 5:45 p.m.—KIDS Choir & KIDS Play
- 6:15 p.m.—KIDS Ministry activities (KIDS Check-in)
- 6:15 p.m.—Student Ministry study (Lounge, Student Hall)
- 6:00 p.m.—Small Groups
- 6:15 p.m.—Pastor's Bible Study—The Minor Prophets (Sanctuary)

Make sure to register for the meal **before TUESDAY** at noon by calling the church office or by filling out the online form at www.madisonumc.org. We are excited to share the news that we will maintain our regular meal prices (\$7 adults & \$4 kids) for the fall!



October 26: Halloween

Adult Meal

- Swamp Thing Stew
- Scaredy Cat Chili
- Marinated Carrot Sticks & Broccoli
- Fiesta Corn Dip & Tortilla Chips
- Mexican Corn Bread
- Super Salad & Chili Toppings Bar

Kids Meal

- Freaky Franks & Goo
- Ghosts on Toast
- Orange Pumpkins

Desserts

- Elvis Bars
- Pumpkin Spice Cupcakes (also in Sugar Free)
- Dead Velvet Cake Squares
- White Cheddar, Toffee & Pistachio Popcorn Balls
- Dirt & Worms Cups

November 2: Mexican

Adult

- Baked Chilies Rellenos
- Cumin Pork Roast with Onion Sauce
- Spicy Black Beans & Tomatoes
- Mexican Spoon Bread
- Yellow Rice Salad
- Super Salad Bar

Kids Meal

- Mexican Shredded Chicken Breast
- Rice
- Queso, Salsa & Tortilla Chips

Desserts

- Soft Serve Ice Cream & Toppings Bar
- Citrus Bars
- Ginger Snap Cookies (also in Gluten/Sugar Free)
- Pumpkin Tiramisu
- Coconut Almond Fudge Cups

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



Graham Arinder joined the MUMC church family on

Lawson Haynes Mays, son of Aubrey & Haley Mays and baby brother of Ann Leighton, was baptized on October 16.



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.

Please send all prayer requests to: prayer@madisonumc.org

PRAYER REQUESTS –MUMC MEMBERS

Carol Ann Ables	Margaret Mason	Dwayne Walley
Ann Artmann	Herb Mays	Wayne Webb
Vicki Blake	Judy McArthur	
Steve Brown	Barrie McArthur	
Sandra Eilders	Patsy McCarty	
David Goolsby	The Moody Family	
Janie Harris	Willie Moore	
Vernon Hull	Trey Russell	
Joanne Jones	Gloria Thompson	
Elizabeth Manning	Courtney Tucker	

PRAYER REQUESTS—FAMILY MEMBERS/FRIENDS

Gilbert Abbe	Truman Abbe's father
Betty Arinder	Amy Whittenton's mother
Jane Calhoun	Beth Haller's mother
Teri Douglas	Diane Goolsby's friend
Nancy Fulce	Gayle Hart's mother
Russ Hackman	MUMC regular attender
Bill Haller	Clay Haller's father
Bob Keenum	Lauren Younger's grandfather
Tommy Leach	Ruth Elam's brother
Ames & Parker Lee	Christy Nettles' nephews
Lauren Luter	Jim/Ruth Elam's granddaughter
Bobby Mitchell	Maritta Mullet's friend
Bucky Murphy	Paula Stubbs' brother-in-law
Mary Ann Odom	Elizabeth Carr's mother
Thames Pemberton	MUMC regular attender
Neil Smith	Leslie Ezelle's father
Mary Angela South	Rosemary Taylor's daughter
David Steele	Beverly Harvey's son-in-law
Nancy Strickland	Les Jones' mother
Dayla Thompson	Maritta Mullet's friend

HOSPICE/ASSISTED LIVING/NURSING HOMES/

RETIREMENT HOMES

The Blake: Fabia Smith

Beau Ridge: Frankie Mitchell; Joyce Logue; Joan Winstead

St. Catherine's Village: Lou Jennings; Cappy Paine; Rosalind Ross; Barbara Pittman; Mary Salvatore; James Potts; Jerry Zoble

Home Place: Barbara Mapp; Evelyn Palmer; Peggy Maddox; Rosemary Taylor; Eddy Johnson

The Orchard: Maggie Hart; Frances Williams

Ridgeland Place: Phillip Perry

In Memoriam

Bonnie Hoy—10/4/22
Mother of Barbara Atkins

We express our sympathy to the families.

MUMC REPORT

Worship Attendance

10/09/22	556
10/16/22	593

Finances

2022 Budget: \$2,500,000
Given to Date: \$2,011,173

Education Building Mortgage

Balance (as of 10/01/22):
\$1,388,846.00

The Reverend James Martin "Jimmy" Harrison, age 79, of Meridian, Mississippi, passed away at the Bella Vita Assisted Living in Phoenix, Arizona on October 6th, 2022. A service will be held at Robert Barham Family Funeral Home in Meridian, MS on Saturday, October 22, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10:30 a.m. Reverend Harrison was a caring, compassionate, faithful servant of God, who served as Senior Pastor at Madison UMC from 1995-2001. The family requests that memorial contributions in memory of Rev. Harrison be made to Coker's Chapel United Methodist Church Playground Fund, 3042 Jeff Davis School Rd, Meridian, MS 39301.

Madison United Methodist Church
100 Post Oak Rd.
Madison, MS 39110
601-856-6058
Website: www.madisonumc.org

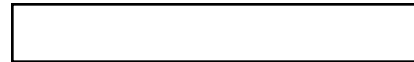
Dated Material
Please deliver by: Saturday, October 22, 2022

**NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION**
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
MADISON, MS.
PERMIT 8

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



*www.readpraylovedaily.com - Subscribe in the lower right corner of the screen or visit the site daily

Sun., Oct. 23 – Matthew 25-26
Mon., Oct. 24 – Matthew 27-28
Tues., Oct. 25 – Hebrews 1-6
Wed., Oct. 26 – Hebrews 7-10
Thurs., Oct. 27 – Hebrews 11-13
Fri., Oct. 28 – James 1-5
Sat., Oct. 29 – Mark 1-2
Sun., Oct. 30 – Mark 3-4
Mon., Oct. 31 – Mark 5-6
Tues., Nov. 1 – Mark 7-9
Wed., Nov. 2 – Mark 10-11
Thurs., Nov. 3 – Mark 12-13
Fri., Nov. 4 – Mark 14-16
Sat., Nov. 5 – 1 Peter 1-5

COMMITMENT SUNDAY - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

Our committees, teams, and staff have many ministries and missions planned for 2023. Please plan to be a part of those through your serving and giving. We will have our Commitment Sunday on October 23.

You may turn in your Commitment Card in the offering baskets at the sanctuary exits as you leave the services on October 23 or turn them in to the church office or at another worship service soon. We will also have a link on our website to fill out your card online at www.madisonumc.org/2023.

You can find out about service opportunities and register for how you will serve through our church in 2023 at www.madisonumc.org/go. We will also have printed copies of the service forms in the church office and at the sanctuary entrances.

Seasons of Faith

MUMC Women's Ministry Event

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

6:00-8:00 pm in the CLC

Registration is \$15 and available on church website.
Please register by **Sunday, October 23.**



KIDS MINISTRY

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



We ask that ONLY adults who are checking in or picking up children enter the Nursery Hall. rooms. There are several reasons for this: safety/security for all children, disruption for other children, and space limitations. We do not allow elementary age children to check in or pick up their siblings.

CHILDREN'S Sunday School

We still need rotation teachers for our 2 year olds, 4 year olds, K5, and 1st grade Sunday School classes. If you are interested in serving every other month, please let me know!

Confirmands (our 6th graders), we will meet at 9:45 a.m. for Sunday School in Room 309 in the KIDS Hall.

Confirmands & mentors, we will meet on Sunday night, October 23 at 6 p.m. in the CLC. Everybody needs their Bible and folder!

Confirmation

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sunday, Oct. 30
Sunday, Nov. 13
Wednesday, Dec. 7
February 9-11, 2023
June 19-23, 2023

SonBeam Choir Sings	8:30 & 10:45 services
Confirmation Sunday	8:30 & 10:45 services
KIDS (Wed PM 3-yr-olds - 5 th graders)	Christmas Music Program 6:15 p.m.
Created by God (5 th Graders)	Times to be Determined
VBS 2023	8:30-11:30 a.m.



Details about Wednesday night plans:

- KIDS Choir (1st – 6th grades) will meet from 5:45 – 6:10 p.m. in the Choir Room. If your child wants to participate in choir, please email Lori at lori@madisonumc.org or fill out a registration card on August 17.
- SonBeams Choir (3 year olds – K5) will meet as part of their class time.
- If your child is not participating in KIDS 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. Choir kiddos will be taken to their classrooms at 6:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

We need volunteers to help with Wednesday night activities for our lower and upper elementary classes. All that is required is having a heart for kids, some prep time and an hour on Wednesday nights! Email me for more info or to volunteer!

STUDENT MINISTRY

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

Stay Connected with us! We post updates and changes regularly to our Instagram (@mumcstudents) and via our text plan (text "mumcstudent" to 866.998.3838). Don't miss out on events by not connecting!

WE NEED PARENTS' HELP!

We feed our students every Sunday night that they meet and we need parents to help us make that possible. We ask for parents to help pay for a meal and serve a meal throughout the year, if each set of parents signed up for ONE Sunday we would have it covered! If you would like to help us out, contact cory@madisonumc.org.



Student Beach Retreat

October 7 - 10, 2022



ADULT MINISTRY

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

IGNITE SUMMIT - CELEBRATION

Our Christian Formation Team sponsored another IGNITE SUMMIT on Thursday, September 22 that focused on strengthening adult teachers in a "big picture" perspective of God's Word. The teaching seminar was led by Dr. Gary Cockerill, emeritus professor of New Testament at Wesley Biblical Seminary. Ask anyone who came: the Holy Spirit set Dr. Cockerill on fire, and we were warmed by great Biblical teaching! We hope to have Dr. Cockerill back sometime to share this powerful presentation with a wider group in our MUMC family.



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

CENTER FOR PREGNANCY CHOICES INTEREST MEETING, NOV. 6TH:

Madison UMC has decided to partner with the Center for Pregnancy Choices (CPC) Metro location beginning in 2023. CPC Metro is a nonprofit organization that encourages and equips women facing pregnancy decisions. The clinic serves Hinds, Madison, and Rankin counties, offering choices through free medical services and Christ-centered support. Services include:

- Free pregnancy test, free ultrasound, and free options counseling
- Women's support groups
- Fathering support groups
- Resource room
- Sexual integrity classes
- Parenting classes
- Abortion recovery

Church partnering training

There are many volunteer opportunities, donation needs, and other financial partnerships available, and we would like to explore any and all ways our congregation can help. There will be a volunteer interest meeting held **November 6th at 4:00 p.m.** in the Administrative Work Room. You can contact Katie Williams at 601-540-3617 or williams.katie23@gmail.com if you would like more information as well.

NEW WOMEN'S STEP STUDY:

We are excited to begin a new women's step study on Tuesday nights, starting November 1st.

What is a step study?

A step study is a personal journey through each of the 12 steps of Celebrate Recovery (CR) in a confidential group, led by a facilitator who has completed the study. CR is for anyone with hurts, habits or hangups. Most often, our friends come to us just hurting from life's challenges. CR is not limited to alcohol/chemical addiction, but encompasses so much more.

The step study is where we get into the heart of the program and true healing from life's hurts, habits and hangups occur. It's also a place where you can grow in your ministry and desire to serve others.

When?

November 1st at 6:15 pm. We will have a meal and fellowship beginning at 5:30 pm. Childcare is provided.

Is it a good next step for you? Call with questions.

Harriet @ 601.259.5847 or Camie @ 601.622.2904

MOODY FAMILY/LEGACY INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIP
INFORMATION MEETING:

There will be a Moody/Legacy International Mission Trip to Honduras interest meeting held **November 6th at 5:00 p.m.** in the Administrative Work Room. The trip is scheduled for June 24th-July 1st, 2023. For more information, contact Micah **Micah Anglin** manglin@gmail.com

VIP'S OF MADISON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Program provided by Rita Sweatt

Tuesday, November 1 at noon

Reservations MUST be made by

noon Thursday October 27

Call the church office at 601-856-6058

Sign up on the pew pads or email jone@madisonumc.org

Cost of lunch is \$5.00 per person-please have exact cash or check

One lunch per VIP, please. NO take outs, please.

MENU

Chicken and Dressing

Confetti Broccoli

Bing Cherry and Cranberry Salad

MO's Sweet Potatoes

Roll

Apple Pie



ADULT MINISTRY

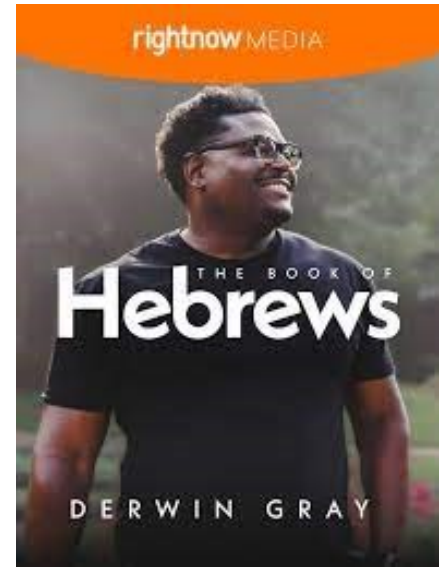
Rev. Ben Butler 601-856-6058 or email ben@madisonumc.org

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SMALL GROUP



**DISCIPLES
COMMIT TO**
Community
Sunday School & Small Groups

REACH OUT TO **BEN BUTLER**
ben@madisonumc.org
For help finding a class/group



Come to Fellowship Hall Rooms 204, 206, or 208 by 6 pm on Wednesday nights to join an Open Small Group! We recently began a new series on HEBREWS from Right Now Media by former NFL Safety and now pastor Dr. Derwin Gray.

NEW SPIRIT CRAFT & BAKE SALE
Sunday, October 30, in the Atrium
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
To support the Moodys in Honduras

To Crafters and Bakers:
We will accept donated craft items on Saturday, October 29,
from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
(Please bring donated bakery items Sunday morning, day of the sale.)

Questions?
Call Patricia Stanfield (601-259-0480) or Laura Isbell (601-942-9817)