



Madison United Methodist Church

MESSENGER

“Building faithful disciples, serving Jesus Christ.”

No. 21

October 21, 2020

Sunday Services, October 25, 2020

Services in the Sanctuary at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Don't forget to pre-register!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ARE RETURNING TO 9:45 A.M.

KIDS, students, and several adult classes will return to our campus this Sunday, October 25, and will meet at 9:45 a.m. The initial adult classes invited back are those who have many class members with children and students. We will also set aside two rooms for those who have children or grandchildren in Sunday School but are not in a returning class so you all can watch your class on your phone or tablet while waiting on your child. For those classes who have assigned rooms but do not yet want to return, those rooms will still be held for those from your class who have children and students in Sunday School and want to Zoom with their classes from your assigned room.

Here are the current room assignments:

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!

COMMITMENT SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 25

Our annual Commitment Sunday is this Sunday, October 25. Please plan to turn in your commitment card at one of our services this week. You can also mail it to the church (Madison UMC 100 Post Oak Road Madison, MS 39110) or email it to our church treasurer, Bob Matthews (bob@madisonumc.org).

For those who can, please go to our church's website (www.madisonumc.org/go) to sign up for the many service opportunities that we have, too. Each of our Ministry Areas has a section listing specific needs. If you would prefer to fill out a paper form, we will have Every Member Commitment forms in the church office.

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.

STAFF POSITION AVAILABLE AT MUMC

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is receiving applications for the position of **Treasurer**. This is a full-time, salaried position. Applications are available in the Church Office or by contacting SPRC Chair Vickie Graves at vickie@amsmort.com or by phone at 601-942-7023.



CELEBRATE RECOVERY RETURNS

CR meets at MUMC each Tuesday night in the multi-purpose room (MPR).

Due to COVID, Celebrate Recover time will have a few changes as we start back:

1. Our temporary time will be from 6:30-8:15 p.m.
2. Due to COVID we are currently not having meals.

Please join us in this great outreach ministry

If you have a heart for serving, consider volunteering at CR. We are looking for 8-12 volunteers to serve in a variety of ways: greeting/welcoming, setup/breakdown, information desk, sound/video. Each of these volunteer positions only requires 30-45 minutes of your time. Please contact Steve Potter or Rodger Wasson to learn more.



Celebrate Recovery®

What is Celebrate Recovery?

Celebrate Recovery (CR) is a Christ-centered approach to dealing with any behavioral health issue, like depression, codependency, or chemical dependency. It was founded in 1990 by Pastor John Baker of Saddleback Church, and is aimed at all "hurts, habits, and hang-ups". Celebrate Recovery utilizes eight Recovery Principles that are based on the Sermon on the Mount. MUMC had the privilege and opportunity to start its own Celebrate Recovery. We had to postpone for a little while due to COVID, but we are ready to resume this great ministry.

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

Gene Albrecht	Marc Lauderdale	Elinor Rummel
Martha Kate Brumfield	Judy McArthur	Trey Russell
Charles Coghlan	Margaret Mason	Mary Salvatore
Betsy Cowden	Bob Matthews	Shauna Sansing
Sandra Eilders	Jerri Lynn Mitchell	Courtney Tucker
Bob Ellis	The Moody Family	Keith Walton
Marty Ford	Willie Moore	Connie Wiseman
J. D. Ingram	James Morphis	Janet Zoble
Brenda Johnson	Robin Morris	
Hershel Johnson	Dupree Petty	
Mary Frances Kelly	Barbara Pittman	
	Nancy Quinn	

Prayer Requests—Family Members and Friends

Brad Hardee	Bill/Debbie Hardee's son
Anne Noble	Katyee Reece's sister
Troy Odom, Jr.	Elizabeth Carr's father
Marvin Pepper	Gary Brown's friend
Sally Thomas	Karen Coign's friend
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

Steve Sooy—10/9/20
Husband of Pam Reeves Sooy

Florence Morphis—10/12/20
Wife of James Morphis
Member of MUMC

Leon Williams—10/14/20
Member of MUMC

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

MUMC REPORT

	Offering		Year-To-Date
	Cash/Check	Electronic	All Giving
10/11/20	\$28,211.00	\$16,673.00	\$1,626,936.86
10/18/20	\$30,755.45	\$15,497.00	\$1,673,188.86

Education Building Cost: \$5,227,203.00

Education Building Mortgage

Balance (as of 10/05/2020): \$2,135,113.53

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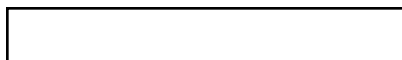
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MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP

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

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Sun., Oct. 25 – James 5
Mon., Oct. 26 – Jude 1
Tues., Oct. 27 – 2 Chronicles 2
Wed., Oct. 28 – 2 Chronicles 3
Thurs., Oct. 29 – 2 Chronicles 4
Fri., Oct. 30 – 2 Chronicles 5
Sat., Oct. 31 - Psalm 93

Sun., Nov. 1 – John 1
Mon., Nov. 2 – John 2
Tues., Nov. 3 – 2 Chronicles 6
Wed., Nov. 4 – 2 Chronicles 7
Thurs., Nov. 5 – 2 Chronicles 8
Fri., Nov. 6 – 2 Chronicles 9
Sat., Nov. 7 - Psalm 94



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



Parents, for our Sunday morning nursery, please bring a sippy cup labeled with your child's name! We will provide juice, but during this COVID-19 season we want to use a cup that is only for your child!

**KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL IS OFF TO A GREAT START!! ...
BUT WE NEED MORE TEACHERS!**

KIDS Sunday School is during the 11:00 a.m. service, and we need more volunteers! We need more volunteers to cover one class for each age group/grade. We will need additional (many) volunteers as the class sizes grow! Why do we need so many? With social distancing guidelines in place, we will have a maximum of 10 students in each classroom.

Below are our teachers & needs!

So we need people to come out of retirement, to take on a new challenge, and/or continue to serve for this "short" season. If you committed to teach during the "regular" school year, please let me know if you are available to teach at 11:00 a.m. **Please note that we have 2 classes that do not have a teacher!**

You can sign up to volunteer by emailing me at renee@madisonumc.org. Please call me if you have questions or need more info!

Younger 2's – Need 2 adults to teach every Sunday or 2 teams to alternate months

Older 2's – Need a 2-person team to alternate with Bo & Kristen Harwell

3 Year Olds – Need 1 adult to work with Stacey Atkinson

4 Year Olds – Need a 2-person team to alternate months with Beckie Lee & Haley Valentine

K5 - Need 2 adults to teach every Sunday or a 2-person team to alternate months

1st Grade – Need 1 person to teach with Sarah Swan to alternate with Jimbo & Racheal Bearden

2nd Grade – Britney & Christopher Madison are teaching every Sunday

3rd Grade – Need a 2-person team to alternate with Sarah Ann & David Ellis

4th Grade – Need a 2-person team to teach every Sunday or 2 teams to alternate months

5th Grade – Brian & Christy Nettles are teaching every Sunday

6th Grade – Lisa Anglin is teaching every Sunday





HELP US PLAN WELL FOR IN-PERSON MINISTRY

Please visit our Worship & Nursery pre-registration site – <https://madisonumc.thersvpapp.com>.

We ask that you pre-register for Worship and Nursery, but you do not need to for Kids Sunday School.

TO REGISTER:

- Click on the blue **SIGN-UP NOW** button. You will be taken to a “Location” page where there will be 4 options (Sanctuary @ 8:30 am; Sanctuary @ 11 am; and, Multipurpose Room @ 8:30 and @ 11am). Please **CHOOSE** which service location you plan to attend, then **CHOOSE** the “Date & Time,” then on the “Seats” page, select the number of **GENERAL ADMISSION** seats you need (**ONLY** include the exact number of **Adults, Students, & Children who will be in the Worship Service**),
- then select the green **CONTINUE** button; on the “Families” page, give the appropriate information for at least one **PARENT/GUARDIAN** and each **CHILD** to be dropped off in the nursery, OR **SKIP THIS** if you have no nursery age children;
- then select the green **CONTINUE** button, submit your **BASIC CONTACT INFO** on the “Review and Send” page, then click on the green **SEND RSVP** button. You will receive a confirmation email of your RSVP, and you can cancel your registration by using the link in that email.

If you have questions, please reach out to **Ben Butler** (ben@madisonumc.org).

MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM SERVICE AND WORSHIP SERVICE REGISTRATION UPDATES

With Sunday School moving to 9:45 a.m., we will resume worship services in the Multi-Purpose Room on the second floor of our Education Building. For this coming Sunday, please make a reservation for that room, or for the sanctuary, for either the 8:30 a.m. or the 11:00 a.m. service. After this Sunday, we will suspend online registrations for all of our worship services.

ADULT MINISTRY

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

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.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We will not be packing Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes as a church mission project this year. I hope that we will be able to continue this mission project in the future. If you have any questions, please email me at jackie@madisonumc.org. Jackie Wilson, Operation Christmas Child Coordinator

NOVEMBER UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MEETING

UMW will meet by Zoom, November 2 at 10 am. Coralen Cain and Connie Starkey will bring us up to date on Kairos Inside and Outside. All are welcome.



CHARGE CONFERENCE MEETING – OCTOBER 26

Our Administrative Council and retired clergy will meet on Monday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom to approve our Nominations Committee report for our 2021 leadership, to set our pastors' salaries and to set church goals for 2021.



Julie Tipton, our Wednesday at Madison Supper Director, and several Celebrate Recovery volunteers provided a meal for the women of Crossroads' Phase 2 House this past week.

ADULT MINISTRY

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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. We started reading the New Testament book of James on Sunday, October 11 in our MUMC Bible reading plan (which you can find each day at www.readpraylovedaily.com).

This might be a great opportunity to do a deep dive in James personally, as a family, and/or with your Discipleship Group or Sunday School class. *RNM* offers a series on the book of James featuring respected Christian teacher Francis Chan 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).



Fight Club exists to INVITE men into a life with Jesus Christ, INSPIRE one another with our Jesus-stories, and ENGAGE one another along the journey of growing in and following Jesus. This page exists to interpret this ministry, announce upcoming large gatherings, point men to study resources, communicate small "band of brothers" opportunities, and more. We are prayerfully looking forward to ways we can expand ministry with men in our MUMC family, the community, and beyond. Please go to www.madisonumc.org/fightclub for some updates and resources.

GROUPS RETURN TO MUMC CAMPUS!

We are excited to announce that most groups can now return to our campus for their meetings! All groups must make a reservation by calling the church office. That way, we can ensure the specific room needed is available and the heat/cooling is on. Groups will need to follow a prescribed brief clean-up procedure following their meeting. Those who attend a group meeting on our campus must also follow current safety protocols. At this time, that includes self-screening, mask-wearing, social-distancing, no food and drink, etc. Any student or adult who has been asked to quarantine should refrain from attending services on our campus and any church activities that are off campus. If you have tested positive for COVID or do not feel well after having attended a meeting on our campus, please inform our church office immediately. Visit our website (<http://www.madisonumc.org/madison-umc-reopening-guidelines-plans>) for the full guidelines.

During morning and afternoons, the Multi-Purpose Room, the Education Building's upstairs classrooms, and the upstairs classrooms in the Fellowship Hall area will be available for groups and studies. Those rooms, as well as additional rooms, will also be available in the evenings.

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



MUMC Outreach News

WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING AT MADISON UMC:

Why Not Now:

We are continuing to send groups to Poindexter park to feed, care for and build relationships. Sunday, October 11th, a group went down there and were able to provide them with some brisket from a friendly cooking competition. We shared prayer and fellowship with our brothers and sisters from Jackson. Please contact Jay Atkinson or Steve Potter at steve@madisonumc.org to find out how you can get involved in this ministry.

Handyman Ministry:

We are continuing to assist people with minor home projects, like fixing doors, changing filters, etc. If you are able to help with minor handyman projects or need some assistance, please contact Steve Whatley or Steve Potter at steve@madisonumc.org

Food Ministry:

Julie Tipton has been taking her cooking talents she normally uses on Wednesday nights, and using them to provide meals for others. She has prepared meals for our homebound folks and for the woman at Phase Two house.

WHAT IS UPCOMING AT MADISON UMC:

Make Giving BIG This Thanksgiving
*Partner With Us to Feed 700 Families
and the Elderly*



MadCAAP's food pantry has never been more important than during the current COVID-19 pandemic. Even in the midst of chaos, we will find a way to distribute 700 thanksgiving boxes to families in poverty and WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our goal at Madison UMC is to provide 1,400 boxes of MACARONI AND CHEESE.
Please drop off at the West entrance of the Fellowship Hall
DEADLINE to bring them to Madison UMC is NOVEMBER 17th and
to MadCAAP is NOVEMBER 19th

ADULT MINISTRY

Rev. Linda Rickman 601-856-6058 or email linda@madisonumc.org



DRIVE-THRU VIP LUNCHEON

On Tuesday, October 6, over 80 VIPs enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by Cynthia Lauderdale and her kitchen volunteers. Thanks to all who were a part of this outreach to our senior VIP members.



STUDENT MINISTRY

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



Our students had an incredible time at Camp Wesley Pines during the Weekend in the Woods Fall retreat on October 10-12.



BIG NEWS!!!

Student Ministry will be back on campus at Madison UMC starting November 1, 2020, from 6:00—8:15 p.m. We will have dinner together before worship!



Timothy Owen Godfrey, son of Brad and Kaitlin Godfrey, was baptized at 8:30 am service on October 4, 2020. Also pictured are Owen's siblings Wyatt and Ann Kirk.



Debra McIntosh (left), representing the Conference Archives & History committee, presented one of our church members, Sue Lauderdale (right), with the Tobias Gibson Award for significant contributions to the preservation, collecting, and promoting of United Methodist history. Congratulations, Sue!!



DRIVE-THROUGH COMMUNION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 * 3:00-4:00 P.M. * MADISON UMC PARKING LOT



Drive-Through Communion **Sunday, November 1 – 3:00-4:00 p.m.**

- Please drive through one of the entrances on the west side of the campus (Church office and sanctuary). Do not enter our campus by the Chapel entrance on the southeast side of the campus since it will be used as an exit.
- You can bring your own bread and juice for communion. When you enter the parking lot, we will also have a table with plastic bags containing 1 or 2 disposable communion cups for you to pick up. Each cup includes a communion wafer and grape juice. Take as many of the bags as you need for those in your vehicle. There will also be an offering basket there to support the work of MadCAAP if you would like to share an offering.
- Please do not open your vehicle's windows during the service, except to initially pick up communion elements and/or leave an offering. If you need to roll down your window to hear better, please wear a mask.
- There will be signs and people along the route to lead you through this experience with scripture readings, prayers, and holy communion.
- We will hold this service on that Sunday, rain or shine.
- There will be a digital bulletin for the service on the church website (www.madisonumc.org/bulletin) that can be viewed on your smart phone but the signs and different volunteers will lead you through the service.