# ADULT MINISTRY

Contact Rev. Ben Butler (ben@madisonumc.org)

#### CHURCHWIDE BABY SHOWER FOR THE PHILLIPS

- Sunday, January 7, 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m., in the Christian Life Center (CLC)
- Registered at Babies R Us and Target
- Help us congratulate Cory and Abbey and welcome baby Ward to our church family!

#### 2018 ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP

- Many dates still available!
- Sign up for one arrangement for \$45 or both for \$90
- For available dates or more information, contact Anne in the Church Office (601-856-6058)

#### **SMALL GROUPS**

- Are you interested in joining a small group or discipleship group?
- Call or text Jenny Caudell at 601-832-3831 or email jennyloufsu@ yahoo.com

#### MEN'S WINTER CLOTHING NEEDED

- Men's clothes and shoes needed for Grace Place Clothes Closet
- Drop off donations in the large box in the Fellowship Hall, or
- Call Diane Goolsby (601-214-3726) for pickup of large quantities

#### **UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER!**

- January 8 United Methodist Women
- January 9 January VIP Luncheon
- January14-17 MUMC Winter Revival with Dr. Bill Ury
- January 20 Workday at Delta Grace in Sunflower, MS
- January 27 Disaster Response Training Workshop

# WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON

FELLOWSHIP MEAL at 5:15 p.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC) Adults \$6 Kids \$3 | Studies/Activities for all ages at 6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Fellowship meals and programming have concluded for the fall semester. The regular schedule will resume on January 10.

## **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

We welcome new members!

 Angie and Stephen Smith and son Connor Smith joined MUMC on December 17.

We celebrate new births!

- Campbell Lea Clarke, daughter of Chris and Lindsey Clarke, was born on December 20.
- Rosemary Kathryn "Rosie" Whittington, daughter of Chad and Lashlee Whittington and baby sister of William and Louise, was born on December 21

We offer our sympathy to the families of:

- Bill Butler, father of Rev. Ben Butler, who died on December 14
- Walter Curtis "Sonny" Renfroe, father of Trey Renfroe, who died December 20

SERMON NOTES (Luke 1:26-28)

# MADISON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Madison, Mississippi



December 31, 2017

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# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

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#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen arr. Carter

#### **CAROL MEDLEY**

Good Christian men, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Give ye heed to what we say; Jesus Christ Is Born today! Man and beast before Him bow, and He is in the manger now; Christ is born today, Christ is born today.

Good Christian men, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Now ye need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all to gain His everlasting hall. Christ was born to save, Christ was born to save.

He is born the divine Christ Child: Play the oboe and bagpipes merrily! He is born the divine Christ Child; sing we all of the Savior mild.

*Jesus, Lord of all the world, coming as a Child among us; Jesus, Lord of all the world, Grant to us Thy heavn'ly peace.* 

He is born the divine Christ Child: Play the oboe and bagpipes merrily! He is born the divine Christ Child; sing we all of the Savior mild.

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, Behold throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

Down in a lowly manger the humble Child was born, And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

#### **MORNING PRAYER**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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#### **GREETING**

#### A TIME MOSTLY FOR CHILDREN

Away in a manger no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where He lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay. **OFFERTORY** What Child Is This arr. Behnke

#### **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:26-28

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Love Came Down at Christmas 242

SERMON

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Spirit of the Living God 393

POSTLUDE

\*\*\* Seating of additional worshippers

# PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICES

Rev. Barry Male **Senior Pastor Associate Pastor** Rev. Ben Butler Pastor of Congregational Care Rev. Linda Rickman Lori Blount **Director of Music Ministry Director of Student Ministry** Cory Phillips **Director of Kids Ministry** Renee Scales Rosemary McInnis **Organist Pianist** Donna Banks Acolytes (8:30 a.m.) Jacob Caudell & Wilson Caudell Morgan Martin & Campbell Browning Acolytes (10:45 a.m.)

The flowers in the Chancel area
Are presented to the Glory of God
By Sharon Eltiste
In celebration of daughter Mary
Elizabeth's 23rd birthday

The flowers in the Chancel area
Are presented to the Glory of God
By Sharon Eltiste
In celebration of son
Jack's 20th birthday

## STUDENT MINISTRY

Contact Cory Phillips (cory@madisonumc.org)

Pinnacle Activities and Student Choir have ended for this semester. Regular schedule will resume on January 7.

#### **REMINDER FOR 6TH GRADERS**

- 6th graders will be promoted to Student Ministry on January 7
- Sunday School will meet in Room 401 in the new Education Building
- They will also begin participating in Pinnacle on Sunday nights beginning January 7

#### CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL

- Two more coaches needed ASAP! Email cory@madisonumc.org to volunteer. MUMC will have 3 teams: 7-8th grade; 9-10th grade; 11-12th grade.
- The season is January 3 March 9.

### HOST HOMES NEEDED FOR GATHERING WEEKEND

- The Gathering (DNOW) Weekend is February 23-25, 2018
- If you are willing to host a group of students in your home, please contact Cory Phillips
- Cory will also be happy to answer any questions you may have on what hosting a group entails.

# KIDS MINISTRY

Contact Renee Scales (renee@madisonumc.org)

#### KIDS MINISTRIES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- We need 4 volunteers to team teach the **2nd Grade Sunday School** beginning in January and ending in July 2018
- We also need two teachers for the 3rd & 4th Grade Girls Wednesday Night Class.

#### MADISON UMC WELCOMES ALL CHILDREN

- A Nursery (infants, crawlers, and toddlers) is available during both worship services as well as during the Sunday School hour. The Nursery is located in the Nursery Hall, Rooms 103, 105, and 107.
- All children are invited to come down for Children's Time during the worship service. Children K5 and younger may then exit to the Nursery Hall Rooms 112 & 114 for Bible Time. On Communion Sundays, we request that children remain in the Sanctuary with their families and experience this special and meaningful Sacrament together.
- Children's Bulletins and Sermon Notes for Kids are available at the doors entering the Sanctuary.