ADULT MINISTRY

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

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.

EASTER LILIES FOR SALE BY UMW

- Help provide lilies to decorate the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday or make a donation to United Methodist Women
- \$15 per lily. All proceeds will benefit UMW missions
- Purchase on Sunday mornings (March 11, 18, & 25) in the Fellowship Hall or on Wednesday night, March 21, in the CLC

UNITED METHODIST MEN MONTHLY BREAKFAST

- Sunday, March 18, 7:00 a.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC)
- Continuing "Measure of a Man" DVD series begun in January
- Come & bring a friend for great food, faith, & fellowship!

DELTA GRACE WEEKEND MISSION TRIP

- April 13-14 in Sunflower, MS
- Mission team will be matched with those in need of minor home repairs
- Great mission opportunity for the entire family
- For more information or to sign up, contact Carolyn Schussler
- (cschuss093@gmail.com or 904-403-5748) or the church office

UNITED METHODIST MEN OFFERING COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

- Frank Wilson Scholarships available to 2 young men who are members of MUMC
- Applications available in the Church Office
- For questions or more information, contact Scott Catington at 601-497-9995 or email madisonummen@gmail.com

KAIROS OUTSIDE ANGELS NEEDED

- March 16-18
- Serve in the background for 4-hour increments throughout the weekend
- Men and women needed to help
- For information, contact Harriet Brown (harrietbrown@comcast.net)

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

No Fellowship Meal or activities this Wednesday due to Spring Break. Chancel Choir will practice at 6:00 p.m. Regular schedule will resume next week (March 21).

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We rejoice at new births!

- Michael Bates Perry, grandson of Judy & Phillip Perry, was born February 16
- Benton Tyler Ramsey, son of Jeff & Mallory Ramsey, was born February 28. Grandparents are Elizabeth & Mike Ramsey.

SERMON NOTES

(II Corinthians 5:11-21)

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Oh Christ, Thou Lamb of God arr. Behnke **HYMN** How Firm a Foundation (vs. 1, 2, 3 and 4) 529

RESPONSIVE LENTEN REFLECTION: SUFFERING

During Lent, we reflect on the meaning of suffering.

Through suffering, we become aware of God's presence.

All around us we see sorrow, brokenness and pain.

Through suffering, we become aware of God's power.

We struggle with our own trials and search in vain for answers.

Through suffering, we learn to trust in God's promises.

We cry out helplessly when our burdens seem unbearable.

Through suffering, we learn to comfort others.

Merciful God, grant us strength and courage to face the trials in our lives, and keep us grateful for all the joys. Keep us aware of our weakness and dependent upon Your strength. Remind us of Christ's suffering on the cross, and renew us by Your Holy Spirit that we may follow your commands and proclaim Your love to a suffering world. Amen.

The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes: That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake.

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (#895)

CHORAL ANTHEM Cornerstone arr. Larson
GREETING

A TIME MOSTLY FOR CHILDREN

Oh how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, Oh how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

OFFERTORY When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. Maxwell

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	II Corinthians 5:11-21	
HYMN OF PREPARATION	What Wondrous Love Is This	292

SERMON

HYMN OF RESPONSE More Love to Thee, O Christ 453

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICES

Rev. Barry Male **Senior Pastor Associate Pastor** Rev. Ben Butler **Pastor of Congregational Care** Rev. Linda Rickman **Director of Music Ministry** Lori Blount **Director of Student Ministry** Cory Phillips **Director of Kids Ministry** Renee Scales Rosemary McInnis **Organist Pianist** Donna Banks (8:30 a.m.) Anslee Taylor & Will Carr Acolytes (10:45 a.m.) Presley Ann Martin & Sanders Ainsworth

The flowers in the Chancel area
Are presented to the Glory of God
By Katie, Nathan, Liza, & Mamie Witt
In memory of Randy Witt

BIBLE TIME VOLUNTEERS

Bible Time Volunteers for March 11:

8:30 a.m.: Paula & Jon Adkins; Emily & Russell Bowie 10:45 a.m.: Amy & Taft Webb; Pat & Bonnie Patterson

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.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Contact Cory Phillips (cory@madisonumc.org)

NO SUNDAY NIGHT PINNACLE ACTIVITIES OR STUDENT CHOIR TONIGHT. Regular Schedule will resume March 18. A full schedule of Student Ministry activities may be downloaded from the Student page of the MUMC website (www.madisonumc.org/students).

NEWSBOYS CONCERT

- Sunday, March 25, 6:00 p.m. at Jackson Coliseum
- Group tickets: \$20 per person (You must email or text Cory TODAY to reserve a ticket)
- After today (March 11), you are responsible for purchasing your own ticket at \$45

SIFAT SLUM EXPERIENCE

- April 20 22 in Lineville, Alabama
- Grades 6-12
- Learn More Here: https://sifat.org
- \$75 per person (Registration deadline: April 1)
- Register Here: http://www.madisonumc.org/sifat-2018

KIDS MINISTRY

Contact Renee Scales (renee@madisonumc.org)

KIDS MINISTRY EASTER CALENDAR

Adult volunteers needed for all activities!

See complete details in the February 28 MUMC Messenger Newsletter

- Sunday, March 25, Palm Sunday Processional, at both services, all ages
- Wednesday, March 28, 5:30 p.m., Easter "Glow in the Dark," Grades 1, 2, & 3
- Thursday, March 29, 5:00 p.m., Easter Passion Play in Kosciusko, Grades 4 & 5
- Saturday, March 31, 10:00 a.m., "What Is Easter?" and Easter Egg Hunt, ages 2½ & 3
- Saturday, March 31, 10:00 a.m., "The Parable of the Lily" and Easter Egg Hunt, ages 4 & 5

VBS 2018 - SHIPWRECKED: RESCUED BY JESUS!

- June 18 22
- Volunteers needed to help with arts & crafts, teaching, games, and decorating
- Please email Ms. Renee to volunteer or for more information

ARE YOU EXPECTING A NEW LITTLE ONE?

If you and your family are expecting a new baby, please let Ms. Renee know. We would like to pray for you during this special time!

^{***} Seating of additional worshippers