



Madison United Methodist Church

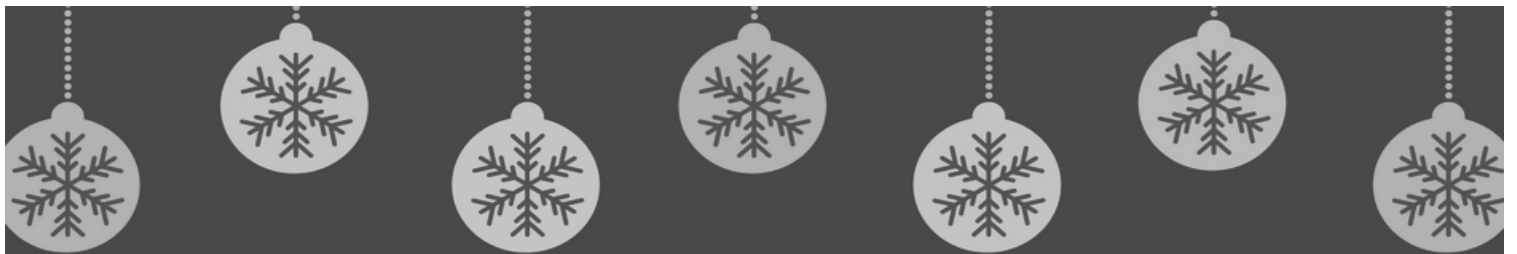
MESSENGER

“Building faithful disciples, serving Jesus Christ.”

No. 38

December 14, 2016

Sunday Services, December 18, 2016
Worship services 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School Classes for all ages 9:45 a.m.



MADISON UMC

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Eve

3:00-4:30 p.m. - Come & Go Communion (Chapel)
5:00 p.m. - Communion Service (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. - Communion Service (Sanctuary)

Christmas Day

10:00 a.m. - One Service (Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON

Wednesdays at Madison Fellowship Meals and Programming have concluded for the Fall semester. We will resume on January 11.

BMDMI HONDURAS MISSION TEAM MEETING

WHEN: January 5, 2017
Where: Fellowship Hall Room 204 (upstairs)
Time: 6:30 p.m.

The deposit deadline is fast approaching. The deposit of \$800 along with your application is due February 1, 2017. The total cost of the trip is \$1600. There are 24 spots available and are first come first serve. For more information or questions, contact Ben Butler at ben@madisonumc.org or George Taylor at georgetay@yahoo.com



PAT BRUCE OUTREACH ADOPT-A-FAMILY

There are 11 needy families still available to be adopted for Christmas through the PBO Adopt A Family Program. These single mothers have attended educational and living skills classes to be eligible. To adopt a family, call 601-856-4095 or mail a contribution to Pat Bruce Outreach, P. O. Box 1218, Madison, MS 39110.



The Madison United Methodist Men will not be meeting this coming Sunday (December 18). Our next meeting will be held on January 15th, 2017.

We would like to wish all men of the Church a very Merry Christmas!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

David and Lisa Milling joined MUMC at the 10:45 service on December 4.



CONCERNS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Hospitals/Surgical Centers/Hospice/Assisted Living/Nursing Homes

Hospital:

Nichols Center: Kim Smith

MS State Veterans' Home: Joe Mapp

The Arbor: Leon and Catherine Williams

The Blake: Betty Rosson; Fabia Smith; Dr. Marion Peel

The Blake, Flowood: Sonny & Sara Boykin

Chateau Ridgeland: Ruth Fullerton

Brandon Nursing Home: Elinor Rummel

St. Catherine's Village Siena Unit: Bertyle Cochran, Marianne Jenkins; Clara Derrington; Joan Holloway
Highland Home: Nellie Paul Farr

Expectant Parents: Melanie & Wil Crawford

New Baby: Graham Hughes Herron, son of Brock & Emily Herron and baby brother of Elliott, born 12/06

In Memoriam

Betty Barret—11/14/16

Mother of Michelle Dawson

Edward Burgess—11/30/16

Father of Emily Boyce

Marian Quinn—12/5/16

Sister of Brother Harris

Roger Gooze—12/11/16

Husband of Ronnie Gooze

We express our sympathy to the families.

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

Hank Baley	The Moody Family
Sara Boykin	Willie Moore
David & Betsy Cowden	Darrell Pitts
Frances Rose Cox	Trey Russell
Susan Dodder	Kathy Waggener
Dick Farr	Jerry Williams
Roberta Hickson	

Pray for Our Deployed Troops

Steven Meadows	Harry/Pam Hyslop's son-in-law, U.S. Army, Kuwait
Mac Parker	Karen Harper's nephew, U.S. Air Force Italy
Phillip Stewart	Judy/Leon Stewart's son, Douglas Stewart's brother, U.S. Air Force, Germany

Prayer Requests – Family and Friends

Tricia Blaine	Phil/Susan Hinton's friend
Ruth Daniel	Sandra Eilders' mother
Maxine Hamilton	Cindy Phillips' friend
Peggy Hurd	Cindy Phillips' friend
Jayroe Family	Meredith Morrow's friends
Marshall Littleton	Friend of Susan Hinton
John Rhett Presley	Bronwyn Martin's father
Claire Spencer	Bill/Vanita McMullin's friendt

MUMC Report

Worship Attendance		Sunday School
12/04	693	n/a
12/11	962	378
Offering		Year-To-Date
12/04	\$41,534.00	\$1,546,027.18
12/11	\$55,277.00	\$1,601,304.18

ADULT MINISTRY

Rev. Ben Butler 601-856-6058 (ben@madisonumc.org)

MUMC Discipleship Groups: Coming Late January 2017 – Sign-Up Begins DECEMBER 18th

Discipleship groups are being launched at Madison UMC beginning in late January 2017. We invite you to sign-up (see below) and participate in a new way within our family of believers here at MUMC. Discipleship groups will meet weekly to grow in their practice of the marks of discipleship including our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. Discipleship groups are a way for us to connect on a deeper level with a smaller group of believers outside of the worship service and Sunday school. In Discipleship groups, we will help one another grow in Christ, support, and care for each other within a covenant that respects confidentiality and promotes a deeper intimacy and sharing about our lives. Discipleship groups are not Bible studies, but can be considered life groups. We want to do life with you in the community of MUMC. Sunday school classes, existing small groups, and Bible studies will continue as scheduled.

Groups will be facilitated by Shepherds and the goal is for each group to have up to 12 members. We ask you to prayerfully consider participating in this ministry of our church!

SIGN-UP IN THE ATRIUM FOR THE FOLLOWING GROUPS BEGINNING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH	
Who: Singles and Married Couples (age 50's-60's) When: Tuesday or Sunday evenings (specific time and day to be determined by group members) Where: MUMC or in homes Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Bobby and Nita Henry Church Sponsored Childcare Available: N/A	Who: Married Couples (20's, 30's and 40's) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Micah and Lisa Anglin Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes
Who: Singles and Married Couples (age 50 +) When: Sunday from 6:30-7:30 pm Where: to be determined Study Topic: Inductive Bible Study of Philippians Group Shepherds: Revs. Linda & Cary Rickman Church Sponsored Childcare Available: N/A	Who: Married Couples (30's and 40's) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Kaitlyn and Brad Godfrey Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes
Who: Married Couples (30, 40's, and 50's) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Jonathan and Paula Adkins Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes	Who: Singles and Married Couples (30's, 40's, and 50's) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Cary and Tammy Breedlove Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes
Who: Ladies (intergenerational) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Amy Taylor and Paula Stubbs Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes	Who: Moms of toddlers to high schoolers When: Tuesday or Sunday (time and day to be determined by group members) Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Angie Owens and Michelle Guy Church Sponsored Childcare Available: if group meets on Sundays between 5-7 pm

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Who: Singles and Married Couples (intergenerational) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Thomas and Missy McElroy Bo and Allison Weems Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes	Who: Singles and Married Couples (intergenerational) coming with a light heart and open for deep discussion When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherd: Dave Schussler Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes
Who: Married Couples (20's, 30's, and 40's) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Nathan and Katie Witt Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes	Who: Ladies (ages 45 +) When: Tuesday at 10:00 AM Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherd: Debbie Greenhill Church Sponsored Childcare Available: no
Who: Married Couples (intergenerational) When: Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Matt and Jenny Caudell Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes	Who: Men (any age), who would like to answer the question, "What does God expect of us as men (including in the role of husband/father)?" When: Sunday from 5:30-7:00 pm Where: MUMC Study Topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherd: Jerry Robertson Church Sponsored Childcare Available: yes
Who: Singles & Married Couples (intergenerational) When: Sunday from 6:00—7:30 p.m. Where: In homes Study topic: Discipleship Essentials Group Shepherds: Rachel & Larry Peeples Church Sponsored Childcare Available: no	

WELCOME TO MADISON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH! SIX WORDS EVERY VISITOR TO OUR CHURCH LOVES TO HEAR.

Our church mission is "Building faithful disciples, serving Jesus Christ". To do this we must be able to connect with visitors and members so they grow in faith and service through regular attendance and participation in worship.

The Connection Ministry Team includes ushers, greeters (door and parking lot), visitor contact, assistance in the development of the new website, New Door Class and the new Connection (welcome) Center located in the Atrium of the new building. We need members serving in ministry in each of these areas but at this time our greatest need is to form a team to serve at the Connection Center to welcome visitors, answer questions, and escort them to various areas. We plan to start with two shifts (after 8:30 service, and after Sunday School) with two people on each shift so one can stay at the Center and one is free to serve as an escort. With enough people it would be a 30-45 minute commitment once a month. No experience is necessary, just a warm, friendly smile, a helpful attitude, and a commitment to serve on your assigned Sunday.

Please contact these members of the Connection Ministry Team to serve in this important area of ministry or if you have questions:

Karen Harper, 601-672-5475, harperkaren1216@gmail.com;

Glen Swan, 601-850-0903, glen_swan@saksinc.com;

(underscore between 1st and last name)

Rodger Wasson, 601-460-0071, rodger.wasson@live.com

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – ROOM TRANSITION

With the completion of the new building, we plan for a 2-phase transition of our Adult Sunday School classes to their new locations where applicable.

Sunday, December 11, 2016:

Challengers – Room 502 (Administration Building)
Mustard Seeds – Room 207 (2nd Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Crossings – Room 208 (2nd Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Discovery – Room 204 (2nd Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Faithbuilders – Room 206 (2nd Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Good News – Chapel Sanctuary
Journey of Faith – Room 416 (New Building, 2nd Floor)
Lamplighters/Truthseekers – Room 114 (1st Floor, Fellowship Hall)
New Covenant – Room 200 (2nd Floor, Fellowship Hall)
New Spirit – Room 513 (Administration Building)
Pathfinders – Room 201 (2nd Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Women of Faith – Room 511 (Administration Building)

Sunday, January 15, 2017

Room 122 (1st Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Room 127 (1st Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Room 201 (2nd Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Room 126 (1st Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Room 118 (1st Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Room 514 (Administration Building)

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2017 ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP

MANY Sundays are still available—including several in January!

Cost: \$45 for one arrangement or \$90 for both

Please contact Anne in the church office (601-856-6058) to reserve your special date.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASS BEGINS IN JANUARY!

Millions of people have gone through Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University* (FPU) and learned God's ways of handling money. They've worked a plan, rewritten their stories, and changed their futures—On average, FPU graduates pay off \$5,300 in debt and save \$2,700 in only the first 90 days!

FPU consists of a nine-week video curriculum taught by financial expert Dave Ramsey, and it incorporates small group discussions that help encourage accountability and discipleship. Groups meet once a week for 90 minutes, and the course is just as fun as it is practical!

Classes will meet at Madison UMC on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. beginning January 10. Class size is limited to 30 participants. To sign up, contact Lori Blount at Lori@madisonumc.org.

DAVE RAMSEY'S
FINANCIAL Peace
UNIVERSITY

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Renee Scales 601-856-6058 (renee@madisonumc.org)

CHECK-IN GUIDELINES FOR ALL CHILDREN

Your child's safety is of the utmost importance to us. We strive to provide a safe environment for your children. Our volunteers and staff members complete a background check and training to ensure your child's safety.

ALL children, Infants through 6th grade, will have to be checked in by a parent or guardian.

Infants, Crawlers, Toddlers, Younger 2's and Older 2's will be checked in at the Nursery Check-In located off the East Hall outside our Sanctuary. There will no longer be any access to the Nursery from the outside East Door.

Three year olds – 6th graders will be checked in at our Children's Check-In Desk located in the new Atrium. This will be the only entry point to the Children's Hall. There will be no entrance from the upstairs hall or through the exterior north door .

Upon arrival, someone at our Check-In Desks will walk you through the process of registering your children in our ministry.

Each week when you are checked in using our computerized check in system, you will be given a randomly generated security code assigned only to your family. This code changes weekly. The code will print on a name tag for each child and one will be printed for you, the parent or guardian. This tag will also include any medical notes, such as allergies, that your child may have so all volunteers will be aware. That tag must be presented in order to pick up your child.

Please note we do not allow elementary age children to check in or pick up their siblings.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Cory Phillips 601-856-6058 (cory@madisonumc.org)

*Student Ministries Text Updates: text "mumcstudent" to 955-77

Regular Sunday Night Activities will resume on January 8.

Enjoy the Christmas and New Year's Holidays!!

STUDENT CHOIR CHRISTMAS CAROLING MINISTRY

Tuesday, December 20

Meet at the church at 10:00 a.m.

Return by 1:15 p.m.



STUDENT MINISTRY BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED

If anyone is interested in coaching for the student ministry Basketball league, we still need a couple of coaches. This does not require any basketball knowledge, just making substitutions and being present at 1 practice and 1 game per week. Contact Cory.



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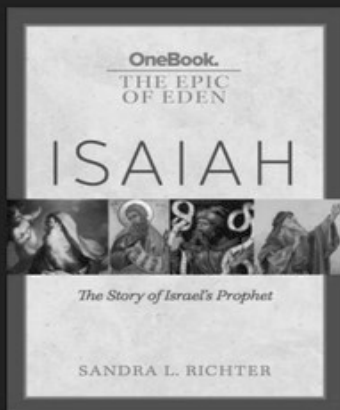
Dated Material
Please deliver by: Saturday, December 17, 2016



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



MADISON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO HEAR

**DR. SANDRA
RICHTER**

100 POST OAK ROAD MADISON, MS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8
THE EPIC OF EDEN: ISAIAH
8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M. (SANCTUARY)
9:30 A.M. (CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER)

For more details:
www.madisonumc.org
(601) 856-6058

*Please come and also invite others to attend
with you to hear from one of the premier
Old Testament scholars in the world.*