

WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON - March 1

FELLOWSHIP MEAL at 5:15 p.m. in the Christian Life Center

Adult meals are \$6.00; Children's meals are \$3.00

Reservations are needed and may be made online (www.madisonumc.org); on the pew pad on Sunday morning; or by phone (601-856-6058).

ADULT MENU:

Bacon or sausage
Eggs
Hashbrowns or grits
Biscuit

ADULT DESSERTS:

Cinnamon roll
Muffins

KIDS MENU:

Pancakes
Sausage
Eggs
Fruit



Begin the Lenten Season on Ash Wednesday,
March 1

All ages will meet together
in the Sanctuary at 6:15 p.m.
For a worship service
And Imposition of Ashes



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Joining MUMC on February 12 were:



Darrell and Barbara Martin

Joining MUMC on February 19 were:



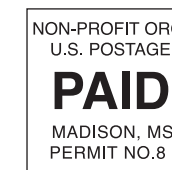
Taft and Amy Webb and children
Taft and Sara Margaret.

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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

Dated Material
Please deliver by: Saturday, February 25, 2017



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Madison United Methodist Church
MESSENGER
"Building faithful disciples, serving Jesus Christ."

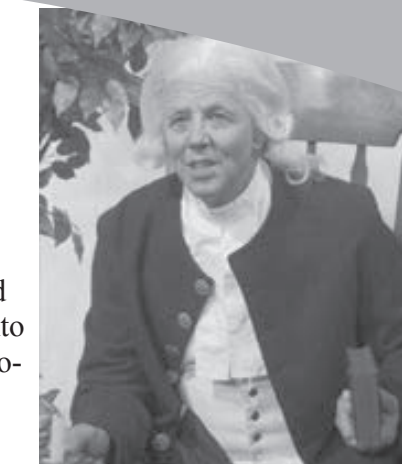
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February 22, 2017

Sunday Services, February 26, 2017
Worship services 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School Classes for all ages 9:45 a.m.

THE MAN FROM ALDERSGATE TO BE PRESENTED
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

All of our adults and 3rd—6th grade classes will meet together in the sanctuary on Wednesday, March 8, at 6:15 p.m. to watch the dramatic presentation of *The Man from Aldersgate*. This one man play is compiled from the actual journals of John Wesley. Through the powerful medium of drama, BJ Johnston brings to life John Wesley as he tells how Wesley's faith in Jesus Christ sparked a revival that changed the history of England and America. Through the play you will gain new insights into the importance of prayer, how personal failure can teach you to trust Christ, our theological heritage, and how a mother's faith can shape a child's destiny.



STUDENT MINISTRY

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

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

PINNACLE will not meet February 26.

Please be in prayer for all the students and adults involved in the Gathering: DNOW weekend.

PINNACLE will resume on March 5.



Student Ministry's Sunday night activities have a new name—Pinnacle. Pinnacle meets on Sunday nights from 6:00 p.m.—8:15 p.m. All students in grades 7—12 are invited to become a part of this exciting ministry!



SUPPORT OUR STUDENT MISSION TEAM TO THE BAHAMAS

The Bahamas team fundraiser board is up in the atrium. If you wish to support the team, simply take the envelope that reflects the amount you wish to give and turn it back in with that amount to the church office or in the offering plate! Thanks for supporting our students with your prayers, presence, gifts, and service!

KIDS MINISTRY

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

CONFIRMATION

6th graders and mentors, we meet this Sunday, **Feb. 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the CLC**. Confirmands, don't forget to bring your Bible & Confirmation folders!

Please keep our 22 confirmands and their mentors in your prayers as we share a time of exploring our faith and thinking about what it means to be a "Christian" as well as a "United Methodist."



KIDS MINISTRIES LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING

KIDS Ministries Leadership Team (KMLT) will meet **Monday, Feb. 27 at 6:00 p.m.** in the ACR. Nursery will be available. Please RSVP for the nursery!



DO YOU WANT TO ACOLYTE?

We are scheduling new acolyte training! If you are a 3rd grader who is not scheduled for training or a 4th or 5th grader who has not attended training, please let me know if you are interested! The last day to sign up is **Wednesday, March 1.**



VBS 2017 MAKER FUN FACTORY: CREATED BY GOD; BUILT FOR A PURPOSE

We need a co-leader (or CO-LEADERS) to help Jennifer Mayo with **planning & implementing our VBS decorations!** Please email Jennifer (jenniferpmayo@gmail.com) or me (renee@madisonumc.org) 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 me know. We would like to pray for you during this special time!

CALENDAR DATES

Confirmation Sunday	April 30
KIDS Spring Music Program	May 3
Vacation Bible School	June 19-23

CONCERNS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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

Hospital:

Nichols Center: Kim Smith; James Morphis

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

Expectant Parents: Sara Ann & David Ellis

New Baby: Bowen Patrick Weems, son of Allison and Bo Weems and brother of Rhett, born February 12

In Memoriam

• **James Ivy – 2/7/17**
• Stepfather of Mary Campbell

• **Tom Cooper – 2/9/17**
• Brother of Bill Cooper

• **John Barnett – 2/19/17**
• Son of Kathy Mowdy

• *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

Dick Axtell	Joanne Jones
Hank Baley	Tom Logue
Sara Boykin	Margaret Mason
Betsy Cowden	The Moody Family
Frances Rose Cox	Willie Moore
Susan Dodder	Darrell Pitts
Nellie Paul & Dick Farr	Anne Ramsay
Roberta Hickson	Rachel Russell
Eddie Hightower	Trey Russell
Pam Hyslop	Jerry Williams

Pray for Our Deployed Troops

Ben Brown	Beth/Steve Brown's son, U.S. Army, Poland
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	Susan/Phil Hinton's friend
Bethany Boone	Beth Brown's mother
Steve Breithaupt	Karen Harper's brother
Ruth Daniel	Sandra Eilders' mother
Agnes Gardner	Vanita McMullin's mother
Donald Guscott	Heather Grovich's father
Melba Heard	Lisa Heard's mother-in-law
Lanelle Lacey	Brett Lacey's mother
Marty Thomas	Katie Witt's friend
Mollie Thurmond	Buck/Theresa Buchanan's daughter

MUMC Report

Worship Attendance	Sunday School
2/12 739	454
2/19 694	395
Offering	Year-To-Date
2/12	
2/19	

ADULT MINISTRY

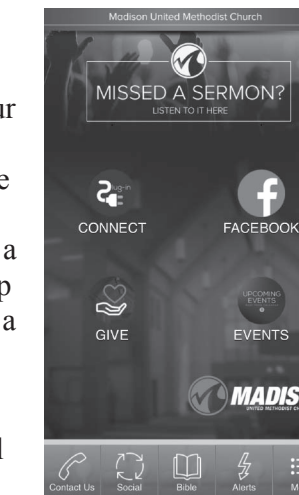
Rev. Ben Butler 601-856-6058 (ben@madisonumc.org)

NEW METHODS OF GIVING NOW AVAILABLE



There are now multiple ways to present your tithes, offerings, and gifts to MUMC. You may continue to place your cash or checks in the offering plate on Sunday mornings. But you can also now contribute electronically through the church's new app or by clicking on the "give" tab on the MUMC website (www.madisonumc.org). You can make a one-time donation (such as a memorial) or you can sign up for automatic recurring donations. The church is assessed a small user fee each time this method is used. Another option is to use the online bill pay service offered free by most banks.

We will also have Electronic Giving receipts in the pews so that your or your children will have a tangible sign of worship to place into the offering plate after you have made a gift.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MARCH MEETING

All women are invited to the Naomi-Ruth Circle of UMW, Monday, March 6, 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall room 204. Linda Rickman will bring us up to date on our church's senior ministries, answer questions and provide information on service opportunities.

IS CHRIST CALLING YOU TO BE SENT ON A SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP?

- 1. International: SALT & LIGHT Honduras Mission Trip (June 8-15, 2017)**
The DEADLINE is March 1st, so please contact Phil Hinton ASAP (601-940-9033, phil_hinton@ajg.com) if you are feeling the tug of the Holy Spirit to serve with other brothers and sisters with Salt & Light ministries in Honduras. The cost of the trip is \$1,375, but there are partial scholarships available for first-time missionaries. The trip is June 8-15.



- 2. State: DELTA GRACE Weekend Mission Trip (April 21-23, 2017)**
We have a great opportunity for you or your family to show your commitment to discipleship. Delta Grace is a non-for-profit, multi-denominational, faith-based organization that matches mission teams with those in need of minor home repairs. A project manager is assigned to oversee the work at the homes and assist the teams as needed.



We are organizing a weekend team to serve Delta Grace on April 21-23. This is a family-friendly organization so consider making it a family affair. It is about a 2 hour drive from Madison. For more information and to sign up, please contact Carolyn Schussler at cschuss093@gmail.com or 904-403-5748 or call the church office.

MARCH VIP LUNCHEON

Tuesday, March 7, 11:30 a.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC)
\$5.00 per person (Make reservations by noon Monday)
Menu: Creamy chicken breast; wild rice; tangy green beans; fruit salad; garlic biscuit; fresh strawberry cake



Program:

Seniors Planning Group of Ridgeland will present a program on long term health care planning, estate planning strategies & CD/Stock Market Alternatives