Madison Methodist Church

MESSENGER

"Building faithful disciples, serving Jesus Christ."

No. 25 December 10, 2025

Worship Services in the Sanctuary and in the Chapel at 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday School classes at 9:30 a.m.

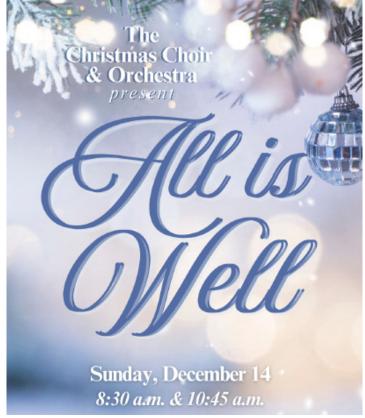


YEAR END GIVING

Our ministry at Madison Methodist is possible because of the faithful support of our church family. We invite you to support our mission to share the gospel in Madison and beyond. Please prayerfully consider making your year-end gift through one of our many ways to give - online, text, in person or by mail.

You can also make Qualified Charitable
Distributions from IRA accounts or transfer
stock sales directly to the church. All gifts must
be transferred, initiated or postmarked by
December 31.

We are thankful of your support for all the ministries at Madison Methodist. Year-end giving statements will be emailed to all donors by January 15, 2026.



Join us this Sunday, December 14, in both services, as our Christmas Choir and Orchestra present "All is Well". Be sure to come early to get a good seat and invite others to attend with you. We will have overflow seating in the Multi-Purpose Room (Education Building, second floor). Our chapel services will not meet this week.



This will be our last issue of the Messenger for 2025! Thank you for a great year! Be on the lookout for our next issue coming out January 7, 2026!



KIDS JESSE TREE ADVENT EVENT:

Our KIDS are working through the Jesse Tree Advent Book throughout the month of December. Below are some pictures from an event where they got their ornaments and books! Special thanks to all the ladies who handcrafted each ornament!























DECEMBER VIP



























DECEMBER 28TH SERVICES

We will have worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 28. Our chapel services will not meet that day. Sunday School classes will also not meet on December 28, and we will not have a nursery during the Sunday School hour.



NEXT STEPS UPCOMING CLASSES

Our four-week NEXT STEPS: New Member Class will meet in the Christian Life Center on Sundays, January 25 through February 15, at 9:45 a.m. during the Sunday School hour. These classes are a great opportunity to get to know other people, to meet our pastors, and to learn about our church's missions and programs. This class is designed for people seeking members but it is also for those who just want to know more about our church.

CHARGE CONFERENCE

Our church has an opportunity to buy property adjacent to our site and the Board of Trustees has recommended that we pursue this opportunity. In accordance with the Global Methodist Church Book of Doctrines and Discipline, para. 1012.9.f, our Presiding Elder has authorized a Charge Conference to consider this proposal. Voting members of the Charge Conference are the elected officers of the Administrative Council. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 16th, at 6:30 p.m. in Room 401. If you have any questions you may contact our Administrator Pastor, Rev. Jim Genesse.

Concerns of Our Church Family

Madison MC Prayer Ministry Team List: Please send all prayer requests to: prayer@madisonmc.org

The MMC Prayer Ministry Team covenants to prayer for these names for 30 days. Names may be resubmitted to prayer@madisonmc.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS - MMC MEMBERS

Carol Ann Ables Barbara Crews Frankie Mitchell Sammy Barmer Andy Dickie Willie Moore Gay Murphy Vicki Blake **Moody Family** Beau Pace Jim Grissom Hayden Briscoe Carolyn Robinson Kathy Burns Carlene Howard **David Stanard Betsy Buffington** Vernon Hull Janice Stenmark Connie Bush John Kirk

Sara Lauderdale Jeanne Tew



Therefore encourage one another and build each other up as you are already doing.

- 1 Thessalonians 5:11

ASSISTED LIVING / NURSING HOMES / RETIREMENT HOMES

The Blake: Fabia Smith, Faye Montgomery, Bill & Babs Ellis **Beau Ridge:** Frankie Mitchell; Joan Winstead; Tina Holliday;

Martha Walton; Barrie McArthur

St. Catherine's Village: Lou Jennings; Rosalind Ross; James

Potts; Jerry Zoble; Lib Sistrunk, Maritta Mullet Home Place: Evelyn Palmer; Margaret Mason The Orchard: Beverly Harvey; Amy Loflin; Joyce Logue

Sunnybrook: Jim & Johnnie Miller, Nichols Center: Barbara Mapp Ridgeland Place: Jo Lynn Vaughan VA Community Center: Phillip Perry

PRAYER REQUESTS - FAMILY MEMBERS/FRIENDS

Peezie Allred Marvel Allred's daughter-in-law

Mary Ann Odom Mother to Elizabeth Carr

Jennifer Thornton Sister-in-law of Stephanie Strong

Jack Payne Father of Jennifer Mayo

Dr. Ivan Parke Friend of Larissa Saenz-Mason

Troy Stokes Friend of Asa Barnes

Austin Nutt Nephew of Buck Buchanan Hall Peters Family of Bam Magruder Scott Byrd Nephew of Linda Barker

Tucker Stafford John & Sharon Kirk's grandson

Quay Randle Angie Smith's cousin

Gates Mims Family friend of Regina Brock

Helen Martin Mother of Sara Male

Grady Ables Robert & Denise Campbell's brother-in-law



LORD'S ACRE RESULTS - 2025

Special thanks to everyone who joined us for Lord's Acre Sunday and gave toward this annual offering. So far, we have received **\$112,259** in 2025 for Lord's Acre.

JANUARY VIP SAVE THE DATE: January 13th MMC REPORT
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE
11/30/25 825
12/7/25 920

KIDS MINISTRY

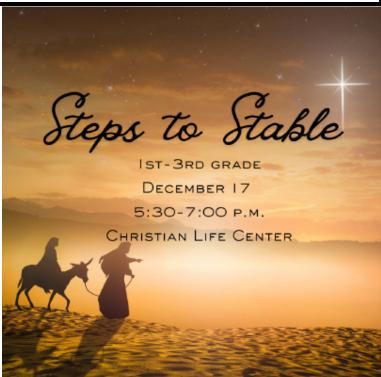
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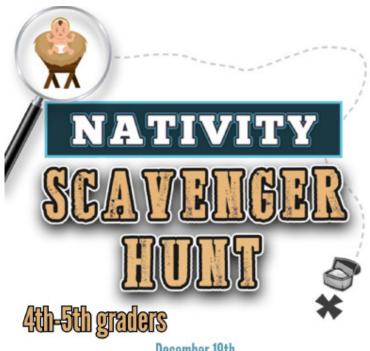
Grab your coziest Christmas pajamas and join us for a morning full of sweet memories & holiday fun as we celebrate Jesus' birth! Preschoolers will eat a pancake breakfast, make a couple of Christmas crafts, & explore a few festive activities.



Ugly sweater? Check. Sweet tooth? Check. Competitive spirit? Check. 6th graders join us in celebrating Jesus' birthday with cake, competitive games, & Dirty Santa (bring a wrapped \$5-\$10 gift).



Strap on your sandals & step into the story of the stable with us! Through hands-on activities & games, we will walk in wonder toward the very heart of Christmas.



December 19th 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - Madison Area

Put on your thinking caps! Kids will follow creative Bible clues to find each piece of the Christmas story around town, eat some pizza, & have some sweet treats!

STUDENT MINISTRY Michael Davis michael@madisonmc.org



CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Our students had a blast at our annual Christmas party! Check out some of the highlights below!











Murder Mystery Night:

Our students had a blast at our murder mystery dinner! Check out some of the highlights below!























MISSIONS



Our Friends in Faith women's Bible study group raised \$2,500 for their fall mission project - the Methodist Children's Homes of MS ministry to young people rescued from human trafficking. Rev Linda Rickman, Dale Barnes & Debbie Adams represented the Bible study group and delivered the gift to Mariah Pitre, staff member of the children's home.

A group of Christian singles (ages 50+) following Christ. Join us for weekly dinners, movie nights, potlucks, and more—we'd love to have you!

December - 2025 Single Friends Activities: (12-18) Thursday: Hokkaido Grill & Sushi - Madison -

6:00 p.m.

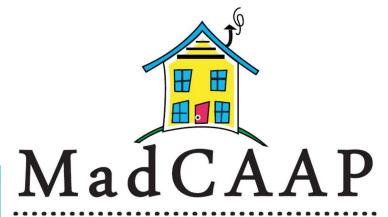
(12-21) to (12-28) Christmas week Off - Single Friends
Enjoy Family and Friends during this Christmas Holiday! Serving together,
(12-31) Sunday: 4th Annual - Happy New Years Eve's Karen Robins Exe
Dinner - Table 100 - Flowood - 4:45 p.m. Lesley Dill Assista

(1-1) Thursday: 3rd Annual - Single Friends New Year Day - Good Luck Lunch - Ding How - Ridgeland - 1:00 p.m.

If you are able to join, please call Afton at (720) 220-5171 to save a seat!

MISSION DONATIONS

Thank you for your continued support of our missions outreach. The donations bins in the Fellowship Hall have been a great improvement for collecting ministry supplies. Please only contribute the items that are being requested. We do not generally collect children's items, kitchen supplies, or clothing. Those donations can be dropped off directly at Goodwill Industries, 379 Highway 51 in Ridgeland. We are grateful for your generosity in reaching out to our community with the hands of Christ.



Madison Countians Allied Against Poverty

Dear Madison Methodist Church,

On behalf of the Staff and Board of Directors of MadCAAP ()Madison Countians Allied Against Poverty), we would like to thank you for your continued support in our mission to serve those in poverty in Madison County. We find ourselves in unprecedented times and the outpouring of support from friends like you is truly profound.

We're so grateful you choose to support MadCAAP. Because of your generosity, families in our community have access to food, clothes, education, and hope.

Serving together, Karen Robins Executive Director Lesley Dill Assistant Executive Director Madison Methodist Church 100 Post Oak Rd. Madison, MS 39110 601- 856- 6058 madisonmc.org

Dated Material Please deliver by: Saturday, December 13, 2025 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION U.S. POSTAGE PAID MADISON, MS. PERMIT 8

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:



John and Cathie Newton

Michael and Jo Alice Hall



BAPTISM: Finnan Lee O'Keefe. His parents are Gannon and Torri O'Keefe.

