



ST. MATTHEW'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



**We are a family of faith reaching out
to share the life-changing love and grace of Jesus!**

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TOP 3 for Sunday, March 1

1 Church Workday: March 21

Mark your calendars for a church workday on March 21! Join us at St. Matthew's as we care for the spaces the Lord has entrusted to us. It's a great opportunity to serve together, enjoy fellowship, and bless our church home in practical ways. More details to come — we hope you'll plan to be there!

2 Weekday Registration

St. Matthew's Weekday Ministry enrollment is now open, and they're excited to welcome new families for the upcoming season. The Weekday Ministry operates Monday-Friday from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM, providing a nurturing and engaging environment for children and families. **Weekday is also hiring part-time positions for afterschool care.**

For more information about enrollment or employment opportunities, contact Weekday Office Director Cindy Casteel at 601.856.4860 or weekday@stm-umc.org.

WNL Menu: March 4th

Main Line: meatloaf, seasoned green beans, mash potatoes, & buttered roll

OR chef salad with turkey
(both options come with dessert & drink)

Kids Line: chicken nuggets, pizza, french fries, dessert, & drink

Updated Prices:
\$12 Adults & Youth
\$10 Senior Adults
\$10 Salad Entree
\$8 Kids



3 Homebound Communion

Calling all servants! On the first Thursday of each month, we deliver Homebound Communion to our shut-ins and nursing home residents. We could use your help with this amazing ministry! For more information to volunteer, contact Kaye Herring at kayeherring@stm-umc.org or call the church office at 601-856-9581.

Sunday School & Small Groups

If you are looking for a small group or Sunday School class to join for the new year, we have many options available! Contact Andy at andy@stm-umc.org if you have questions.

Save the Date!

Our next Blood Drive will be March 25th from 4 pm-7 pm!

This week...

Monday:
Adult Art Class @ 10am
Flower Ministry @ 10am
Senior Game Day @ 2pm

Tuesday:
Ageless Aerobics @ 2pm
Pickleball @ 6pm

Wednesday:
Older Adult Breakfast @ 9am
WNL Dinner @ 5pm
WNL Activities @ 6pm
Choir Practice @ 7:15pm

Thursday:
Card Care Ministry @ 9:30am
Ladies' Bible Study @ Noon
Homebound Communion @ 1:30pm
Ageless Aerobics @ 2pm

Sunday:
Sunday School @ 9:15am
Traditional Worship @ 10:30am
Intersection Worship @ 10:30am
Wonderfully Made @ 1:30pm
Cub Scouts @ 2pm
UWF & Men of Faith @ 3pm

February (Mental) Health & Wellness Message

*"Kind words are like honey – sweet to the soul and healthy for the body."
– Proverbs 16:24*

Not only does kindness make others feel good, but practicing kindness to others can have benefits to our own mental health, as well. There is a strong link between kindness and stress reduction. Kind words, whether said to us or by us, can calm us and signal safety and acceptance. In addition, it can help us see the good in others and can also shape our internal dialogue, allowing us to be kinder to ourselves.

Memorials

In memory of Luther Hamilton
from Robert and Nancy Pavy

In memory of Jane Tubb
from Gwen Ross

2026 Flower Calendar

Flower dates are available for those who would like to place flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, or to mark a special occasion.

To reserve a date, please contact Tim Rigby at timrigby@stm-umc.org. If the Sanctuary is already booked, the Narthex may also be available.

Placement options:

Sanctuary: \$120
Narthex: \$60
Intersection: \$60

Attention BREAD BAKERS

We need a loaf (or two) of your bread. Congregational Care wants to stock our freezer with homemade bread for delivery. Please wrap tightly in foil and label! Drop off with Kaye Herring in the Church office.

Ladies' Bible Study

Ladies' Bible Study meets Thursdays at noon in the Youth Lounge, and we'd love for you to join us as we begin a new study, Fierce by Jennifer Coward. Whether you've been coming for years or are thinking about joining for the first time, this is a great time to jump in. Questions? Contact Laura Rivera at laura@stm-umc.org or 601-624-9497.

Ice Storm Relief

Because of your faithfulness, our church was able to support Oxford University UMC and Grace UMC (Iuka) in their efforts to support their community through the recent ice storms. We are thankful for all the ways that St. Matthew's is able to be the hands and feet of Jesus!

Seasoned Saints

St. Matthew's Seasoned Saints is a fellowship of folks primarily 55+, meeting to share a meal and entertainment on the second Tuesday of each month. (Please note that you are welcome whatever your age!) On Tuesday, March 10, friends from MS Methodist Rehab Center will bring a special guest--a pet therapy dog--to explain the compassionate work being done by man's best friend! Please join us at 11:30 a.m. in Hart Hall for this delightful time together. Cost for the noon meal is \$10; for reservations and more information, please contact Kaye Schloemer at kjschloemer23@gmail.com.

Older Adult Opportunity

Wednesday, March 4th
Breakfast & fellowship
Hilton Garden Inn
320 New Manssdale Rd in Madison
601-420-0442
Contact Joyce Titus
for more info(601-214-4826)

Our Presence: Feb. 22nd

Traditional: 172
Intersection: 76
Online: 94
Total: 342

WNL Activities

Adults:
Bible Study with Andy (Sanctuary)
Study on Gospel of Matthew (Room 116)
Soul Sisters Women's Bible Study (Parlor)
Experiencing God with Jessica Wellington (Room 115)
Youth:
Bible Study & Games (Youth Lounge)
Children:
Nursery
Pre K Music
Elementary Choir & Bible Study