

# MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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## *Trumpet Notes* DECEMBER, 2017



*For Unto Us a Child Is Born*



## Christmas Worship Services

**December 24**

10: 00 a.m.— Worship and Hymn Sing Service

5:00 p.m.—Communion Service

11:00 p.m.— Lessons and Carols





## MINISTRY UPDATES

# Generations of Generosity c a m p a i g n

*One generation shall laud your  
works to another, and  
shall declare your mighty acts.  
Psalm 147:4*

Pledges received to date total \$127,720 towards our goal of \$145,695. We have 14 families that normally pledge that have not yet pledged. Please bring your pledge cards next Sunday, or consider mailing it in or dropping it off at the office. There are extra pledge cards available on the back table of the sanctuary in case you have misplaced yours. It's important for Session to get an idea of your 2018 gifts so that we know if we need to start applying some painful budget cuts. Thank you for your Generations of Generosity to MPC!

**Membership:** The Membership Ministry is working with Pastor Hookey to plan a weekend retreat at Camp Pyoca in Brownstown, Indiana, during the first quarter of 2018. The focus of this activity will be to provide both current and potential new members of our congregation with an understanding of all things Presbyterian, including the history of the Presbyterian church, basic Presbyterian beliefs, and the workings of our various leadership positions and ministries/committees at MPC.

More information on the retreat will be provided in the January newsletter and on the activity kiosk in Fellowship Hall—stay tuned!

## SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

### November 15, 2017, Session Meeting

- Approved use of Fellowship Hall by the Greater Madison Ministerial Association on the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 a.m.
- Approved the baptism of Lucy Gail Cullens, daughter of Mary Beth Ohlendorf Cullens and Keith Cullens on November 26, 2017
- Heard about the workshop that Pastor Scott attended that was based on the book, Kitchen Table Giving by William G. Enright
- Discussed training of the new Session members who will be ordained on January 7, 2018
- Reviewed and approved the General Fund and Capital Fund reports for October, 2017
- Heard that a review of the 2016 financials has been completed by McKay Accounting; a report will be included with the minutes
- Approved the use of Capital Campaign money for the painting of the Sanctuary (which will also include the painting of Fellowship Hall); work will be done by Tri-State Painting
- Heard committee reports

**ACES:** Our Thursday potluck suppers that begin at 6:00 p.m. will resume on January 4.

**End-of-the-Month Meal:** The end-of-the month meal will be the last Saturday of January, the 27th. We will need volunteers to work the event, make the Sloppy Joe recipe and bake cookies. Sign-up sheets will be up the first of the year.



# Notes of Interest

**Winter Warming Station Coalition:** A reminder that from December 1 through April 1, The Winter Warming Station Coalition will designate and publicly announce an overnight (5:00 p.m. – 9:00 a.m.) warming location for any person in need when at least one of the following emergency weather conditions occurs:

- Temperature below 32 degrees by 5:00 p.m.
- Wind chill below 0 degrees
- Snow greater than 3 inches
- Ice storms or freezing rain

If you want more information about volunteering for this ministry, please contact Scott.

**Concert:** The Madison Performing Arts Foundation is pleased to present the Louisville Brass in concert on Tuesday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Methodist Church. Members of the ensemble are brass faculty from the University of Louisville. The concert is free, and the public is warmly invited to attend.

**Lost and Found:** Remember to check the lost and found box for items you may have lost. The box is located on top of the piano in Fellowship Hall.



## Music Notes

With Advent and Christmas almost upon us, the music of the season has preoccupied my thoughts. One of the texts closely associated with the Annunciation, Gabriel's visit to Mary, is Ave Maria. This text has been set to music many times by composers, such as Schubert and Gounod, among a multitude of others. At the moment, one of my favorite musical settings of this text is by the 20<sup>th</sup> century German composer, Franz Biebl. Undergirded by a four-part choir of male voices, and including a trio of soaring solo lines, this is certainly among the most beautiful pieces appropriate to Advent. I hope you enjoy the youtube video linked below. An English translation of the Latin Text follows:

The angel of the Lord  
Made his annunciation to Mary,  
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail, Mary, full of grace;  
The Lord is with you  
Blessed are you among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, pray for us  
Now and in the hour of our death. Amen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B3zKSmPoIe8>

Incidentally, this piece of music was made famous by the male vocal ensemble, Chanticleer. Somehow I've begun to prefer the performance linked above.

You are in my prayers. Jonathan



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Women's Bible Study:** Ladies, during the months of December and January, the Women's Bible Study is going to be discussing the book, Same Kind of Different as Me. This is a true story written by and based on the lives of Ron Hall and Denver Moore. It is an exceptional book and one I think you would enjoy reading. Even if you never attend our Bible studies, I encourage you to get a copy of this book, read it and join us on Wednesday, December 6, as we begin our discussions.

**House of Hope Volunteers:** The House of Hope is in need of volunteers. The biggest need is the role of guided shopper. This is the most rewarding role helping people select items and making suggestions on how to use them. Every Tuesday evening and Friday morning, there is a need for around 25 volunteers. Training is provided. Each time around 50 people come for assistance. New people come every month. Hours are Tuesday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Volunteers need to arrive about 15 minutes prior to

**LAFFS:** LAFFS will meet on Wednesday, December 6, at 11:30 a.m. at Key West Shrimp House. Please call Joyce Ashbrook at 812-866-2452 or Janet in the office at 812-265-2952 to make reservations.

**Children's Christmas Program:** There will be a children's Christmas program during worship on December 17th.



**Blood Drive:** The next Red Cross blood drive will be on January 11, 2018. We'd like to have a goal of 26 units of whole blood and two of RBC. Hopefully, with plenty of notice, we can reach this goal.

## PRAYER LIST

**Congregation:** Sharon Auxier, Mary Louise Grimes, Tony Harrell, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Beth Orrill, Staci Torres, Barbara Walters-Dixon, Greg Zieseemer.

**Family and Friends:** Steve Aldridge, Mike Baker, (Mary Davee's brother), Michelle Barlow, Lloyd Bell, Robert Black, Carol Blasdel, Donna Bowman. Todd Bredenkamp, Connie Brink, Mike Brown, Chris Browning, Michael Busching, Becky Chase, Mike Cope, Sherry Craddock, Susan DeLapp, Hilary Drake, Dan Dunn, Phillip Eades, Erik, Trish Frye, Jessica Garvey and family, Pat Goley, Shirley Griffith, Charles "Poogie" Grooms, Chuck Hale, Peggy Hans, Millie Harness, Ryker Harris, Brittany Henry, Bob Hudson, Bill Hughes, Helen Hunt, James Jackson, Curtis Jacobs, Brittney Johnson and family, Ruth Johnson, Vince Johnson and his wife Mary Jean Woodburn, Kaya Kabota, Candy Kahn and family, Michael Sean Kugler, Paul Limato, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor's brother), Steve Livingston, Terra Louis, Jason Mace, Madison Correctional Facility and Madison State Hospital, Mary McClure, Tabatha Melton, Gaye Mill, Eric Mitchell (Jean Beaver's son), Jeanine Hill Moran, Gary and Geneva Napier, Muriel Newcomb, Pam, Joy Parks, Wanda Payton, Frank Pearson, Nak Phok, Michelle Powers, Jim Risk, Roberto, Cora Russell, Susan Schafer and family, Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, Ken Schneider, Donna and Travis Smith and family, Jessica Smith, Laryssa Smith, Therese Spence, Tiana Stockton and family, Roy Stone, Mary Lynn Summerfeld, Denver Taylor, Trey Taylor, Doug Vaughn, Peggy Voris and Family, Buddy Waller, Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Jaye Weaver, Tom Weber, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Sue Williams, Nick Wyne.







# MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Christmas Worship Servers' Schedule

Service	Liturgist	Ushers	Advent Wreath Readers & Candle Lighters	Greeters	Gathering Music
10:00 A.M.	Gregg Mayberry	Jennifer Saroka and Don Clapham	Corbin Family	Joyce Ashbrook	Gregg Mayberry
5:00 P.M.	No liturgists	Mike and Laurie Dorsey	Ziesemer Family	Mike and Laurie Dorsey	
11:00 P.M.	No liturgists	Mike and Jean Beaver	Glass Family	Joyce Ashbrook and Carole Hanson	

**Poinsettias:** Poinsettias this year will be \$11.00 per plant. If you would like to order a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the form below. Place it, along with your payment, in an offering plate or leave it with Janet in the office. The last day to order is Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> by noon.

**Poinsettia Order**

In memory of/in honor of:

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Number of plants ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Will take plant(s) home after the 5:00/11:00 p.m. worship service. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

## ***MINISTERING IN DECEMBER***

## **December Sunday Schedule**

### **GATHERING MUSIC**

- 3. Greg Zieseemer
- 10. Open
- 17. Jean Beaver
- 24. Gregg Mayberry
- 31. Open

### **USHERS**

- 3. Natalie Willis and Crystal Dashiell
- 10. Mike Dorsey and Mary Davee
- 17. Brett Corbin and Dan Smith
- 24. Jennifer Saroka and Don Clapham
- 31. Libby Sheppard and Gina Freeman

### **LITURGISTS**

- 3. Jim Bartlett
- 10. Marcia McCracken
- 17. Crystal Dashiell
- 24. Gregg Mayberry
- 31. Amanda Corbin

### **ADVENT WREATH READERS & CANDLE LIGHTERS**

- 3. Moderau-Mathews Family
- 10. Bayne-Worley Family
- 17. Torres Family
- 24. Corbin Family (10:00 a.m.)
- 24. Zieseemer Family (5:00 p.m.)
- 24. Glass Family (11:00 p.m.)

### **GREETERS**

- 3. Christie Busching and Connie Huntington
- 10. Stacie Ryan-Torres and Dan Smith
- 17. Gina Freeman and Sheri Hookey
- 24. Joyce Ashbrook
- 31. Joyce Ashbrook

### **FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS**

- 3. Tim and Christie Busching
- 10. Open
- 17. Open
- 24. Open
- 31. Open

December 3	8:30 A.M.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 A.M.	Worship/Communion Service <i>Deacons' Offering</i> Children's Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Fellowship Hour

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December 10	8:30 A.M.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 A.M.	Worship Service Children's Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Fellowship Hour <i>Deacons' Meeting</i>

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December 17	8:30 A.M.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 A.M.	Worship Service <i>Deacons' Minute</i> Christmas Joy Offering Children's Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Fellowship Hour

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December 24	8:30 A.M.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 A.M.	Worship Service Children's Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Fellowship Hour
	5:00 P.M.	Worship/Communion Service
	11:00 P.M.	Lessons and Carols

# MPC ROTATING PRAYER CALENDAR

## Week of December 3

Michael and Laurie Dorsey  
Heather Dorsey  
Ben and Sue Webb

## Week of December 10

Dave and Kay Lou Adams  
Marilyn Baer  
John and Cheryl Eckert  
John David Eckert

## Week of December 17

Jonathan Stanley  
Rev. Scott and Sheri Hookey  
Pam Sandoz  
Geri Richert

## Week of December 24

Sharon Auxier  
Kathy and Kenneth Joyce  
Abigail Adams and  
Emmanuel Gutierrez-Marquez  
Luca Marquez-Adams

## Week of December 31

Jennifer Brabec  
David Robbins  
R.J. and Anne Brown  
Dylan and Amelia



2. Sharon Dagher
3. Carolyn Grier
5. Sandy Freeman
7. Crystal Dashiell, Will Jacobs
8. Rian Andreasen
11. Ted Skrypak
12. Brett Corbin
17. Annie Orrill
18. Nate Adams
24. Jose Hernandez
26. Joyce Ashbrook
27. Ron Kietzman

## Finance Report

INCOME	October 2017	2017 YTD
Pledged	\$ 13,567.00	\$ 121,305.23
Unpledged	\$ 690.75	\$ 5,570.09
Restricted Funds	\$ 160.60	\$ 591.60
Kroger Rewards	\$ 46.67	\$ 129.16
Subtotal	\$ 14,465.02	\$ 127,596.08
Banking Interest	\$ 3.27	\$ 31.61
Investment Interest	\$ 26.43	\$ 1,886.44
Subtotal	\$ 29.70	\$ 1,918.05
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 14,494.72</b>	<b>\$ 129,514.13</b>

EXPENSES		
Personnel	\$ 3,846.23	\$ 85,343.36
Office & Admin	\$ 2,951.93	\$ 7,567.60
Mission	\$ -	\$ 109.37
Christian Ed	\$ 140.00	\$ 1,703.44
Building & Grounds	\$ 2,635.17	\$ 31,450.80
Fellowship	\$ 117.31	\$ 288.31
Finance		\$ (221.21)
Membership		\$ 87.58
Worship	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,429.16
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 9,815.64	\$ 127,758.41
<b>NET</b>	<b>\$ 4,679.08</b>	<b>\$ 1,755.72</b>

### October Cash Posi- tions

General	\$ 76,979.64
Capital	\$ 35,673.67
Youth	\$ 2,683.39
Memorial	\$ 21,615.94