

# MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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*Trumpet Notes*

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*Time to reflect and share our thanks, for this is  
the time that we remember the greatest sacrifice.*

*Ash Wednesday  
Service of Worship  
February 14, 2018  
7:00 p.m.*



**AN EXCERPT FROM SAMUEL HUGH MOFFETT'S SECOND VOLUME OF**

**A HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY IN ASIA**

In a Christmas letter to family and friends, Eileen Moffett (Mrs. Samuel H.) shared the final page of the second volume of Dr. Moffett's, A History of Christianity in Asia. "The message," she wrote, "carries a voice from an Asian Christian, an unnamed Baptist deacon in tribal Burma about fifty years after Adoniram Judson, the first Protestant Christian missionary to Burma reaches that land."

Christian Karens in the hills a hundred miles northeast of Rangoon were starving. A plague of rats had destroyed their harvest. Missionaries found their little church congregation reduced to eating the rats which had destroyed their rice harvest. They had tried to poison the rats. Now they could do little but pray for the Karen community. They were about to leave when a Karen deacon brought them a gift, ten rupees (five dollars). He said, "This is from our church for [our] Ka-Khyen mission" (a frontier mission tribe). "No, said their foreign friends, you must use this for yourselves. You are starving." The deacon shook his head. "Yes, but we can live on rats. The Ka-Khyen cannot live without the gospel."

Dr. Moffett closed, "Some say that Christianity has failed in Asia, but the numbers tell us otherwise. And the mounting chorus of voices from Asia's Christians should remind us in the doubting West that God never fails." As Adoniram Judson said years before, "The future is as bright as the promises of God."

- Joyce Ashbrook

# Ministry Updates

**Membership Ministry:** The Membership Ministry is soliciting volunteers to help plan and coordinate a members and friends retreat at Pyoca Camp and Retreat Center that was previously announced in the December 2017 newsletter. This activity would focus on providing current AND potential new members with a better understanding of the Presbyterian faith and the workings of our various leadership positions and ministries/committees at Madison Presbyterian Church. Interested volunteers should contact Membership Chair Tim Busching or Pastor Scott Hookey.

**ACES Reinvented:** After almost nine years (the first potluck supper was held on May 9, 2009), a decision was made on January 25th to experiment in ways to adapt ACES to changing circumstances. It was decided to meet monthly on the second Tuesday instead of weekly, to meet at 1:00 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m., and to have a brown bag lunch instead of a potluck meal. The first get-together will be on March 13 with a program on Lent led by Pastor Scott. Everyone is welcome to attend. It is hoped that this new arrangement will enable more members/attendees to join in fellowship and spiritual growth.



BROWN BAG  
L U N C H

**Fellowship Hosts:** Please consider volunteering to host a Fellowship Hour during the month of February. The open dates are February 4, 11, 18, and 25. If you are willing to volunteer for this ministry, please contact Janet in the church office at (812) 265-2952 or madpresby@gmail.com.



# MUSICAL NOTES



With the season of Lent just around the corner, musical thoughts drift toward the penitential. I have been revisiting the St. Matthew Passion of J. S. Bach, considered by many to be his crowning achievement. There is a particular aria from this work, "Erbarme Dich," which has always stirred something in my soul. I find it exceptionally beautiful and tragic. There are many interpretations of this piece on youtube, but the one linked below is a Romantic version of a Baroque original. I find that the slower tempo and weight of this recording give the piece the gravitas the text suggests.

Here is an English translation of the text:

Have mercy, my God,  
For the sake of my tears!  
See here, heart and eye Weep bitterly before you.  
Have mercy, my God!

Here is a link to the youtube video.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X\\_tXqQIFdcQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X_tXqQIFdcQ)

I hope you enjoy this performance. You are in my prayers. Jonathan



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy  
Valentine's  
Day

Wednesday, February 14th

**Congratulations!** Tim and Christie Busching are happy to announce the birth of their second grandson, Tucker Allen Busching, born on Friday, January 19th, to Brian and Amanda Busching. Tucker weighed in at 8 lbs. 11 ounces and measured 20-3/4" long, and joins big brother, Porter, in the Busching household.



**LAFFS:** LAFFS will meet at Harry's on Wednesday, February 7, at 11:30 a.m. Please call the church office (812-265-2952) to make a reservation

**Envelope Boxes:** Envelope boxes are available in the back of the sanctuary for those making 2018 pledges. Please see Jenn Saroka with any questions

**Lenten Season:** As the Lenten season begins, please be on the lookout for special events schedules, such as Palm Sunday, the Lenten Worship and Lunch Series, Maundy Thursday Communion and Tenebrae Service, Easter Sunrise Service and Easter Worship Service. A Holy Week and Easter worship schedule will be listed in the bulletin announcements at a later date.

**2017 Annual Report:** If you would like an electronic copy of the 2017 Annual Report, please contact Janet in the church office at (812) 265-2952 or madpres-by.com.

## 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, Lester Auxier, 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 Kathy Dunn, Phillip Eades, Erik, Trish Frye, Jessica Garvey and family, Pat Goley, Jo Gray, Shirley Griffith, Charles "Pogie" Grooms, Chuck Hale, Peggy Hans, Millie Harness, Ryker Harris, Brittany Henry, Bob Hudson, Bill Hughes, Helen Hunt, James Jackson, Lois 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, Jeanine Hill Moran, Gary and Geneva Napier, Muriel Newcomb, Pam, Joy Parks, Wanda Payton, Frank Pearson, Nak Phok, Jennifer Poggel, Michelle Powers, Jim Render, 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, Linda Spann, Therese Spence, Tiana Stockton and family, Roy Stone, Jody Sullivan, 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.

Never doubt  
the power of  
prayer.

## ***MINISTERING IN FEBRUARY***

## **February Sunday Schedule**

### **GATHERING MUSIC**

- 4. Open
- 11. Open
- 18. Gregg Mayberry
- 25. Jean Beaver

### **USHERS**

- 4. Jennifer Saroka and Mary Davee
- 11. Libby Sheppard and Dan Smith
- 18. Tim Busching and Ken Brunner
- 25. Natalie Willis and Amanda Corbin

### **LITURGISTS**

- 4. Libby Sheppard
- 11. Sheri Hookey
- 18. Bill Ohlendorf
- 25. Susan Ohlendorf

### **GREETERS**

- 4. Christie Busching and Connie Huntington
- 11. Julie Curtis and Bill Ohlendorf
- 14. Dan Smith and Staci Torres (*Ash Wednesday*)
- 18. Carole Hanson and Sheri Hookey
- 25. Gina Freeman and Linda la Cour

### **FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS**

- 4. Open
- 11. Open
- 18. Open
- 25. Open

February 4	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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February 11	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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February 18	8:30 A.M.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 A.M.	Worship Service <i>Deacons' Minute</i> Children's Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Fellowship Hour Worship Meeting Ministry

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February 25	8:30 A.M.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 A.M.	Worship Service Children's Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Fellowship Hour



# MPC ROTATING PRAYER CALENDAR

## Week of February 4

Robert and Debbie Coffey  
Savannah Coffey  
Mary Louise Grimes  
Barry and Jenny Cook  
Jacob and Emmy

## Week of February 11

Steve Goldsmith and Becky Chase  
Jim Bartlett  
Jerry and Shirley Thaden  
Gunner and Melanie la Cour

## Week of February 18

Peter Hills  
Sarah Joyce  
Janet Castor  
Lainey and Mallory Castor

## Week of February 25

Synod of Lincoln Trails  
Brandon and Delena Goldsmith  
Jesselynn  
Gina Freeman



1. Lucy laCour
3. Zoe Corbin, Tom Davee, Jill Wiest
5. Jane Andreasen
7. Pam Newhouse
9. Anna Kietzman
10. DaShawn Kelley
15. Kriss Luckett-Ziesemer
16. Ellen Eckert
17. Paul Torres
18. Amanda Corbin
20. Luca Marquez-Adams
22. Larry Crisafulli
23. Dylan Brown, Shannon Glass
28. Natalie Willis