

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Due to the increased attendance at our 2023 Christmas Eve services and at our regular Sunday worship services throughout 2024, we have added more Christmas Eve service options.

Here is our Christmas Eve schedule for this year:

1:00-2:30 p.m. – Come & Go Communion (Chapel)

3:00 p.m. – Candlelight & Communion Service (Sanctuary/Chapel)

5:00 p.m. – Candlelight & Communion Service (Sanctuary/Chapel)

7:00 p.m. – Candlelight & Communion Service (Sanctuary/Chapel)

## CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATES

We are working on making our church directory available soon. It will be available to church members and visitors through our church app. We would like to have all information and photos up to date when this app becomes available. There will be a table in the Atrium on Sunday, December 1st, Tuesday, December 3rd, and Sunday, December 8th as well as in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, December 11th to update any new information and to take updated photos.

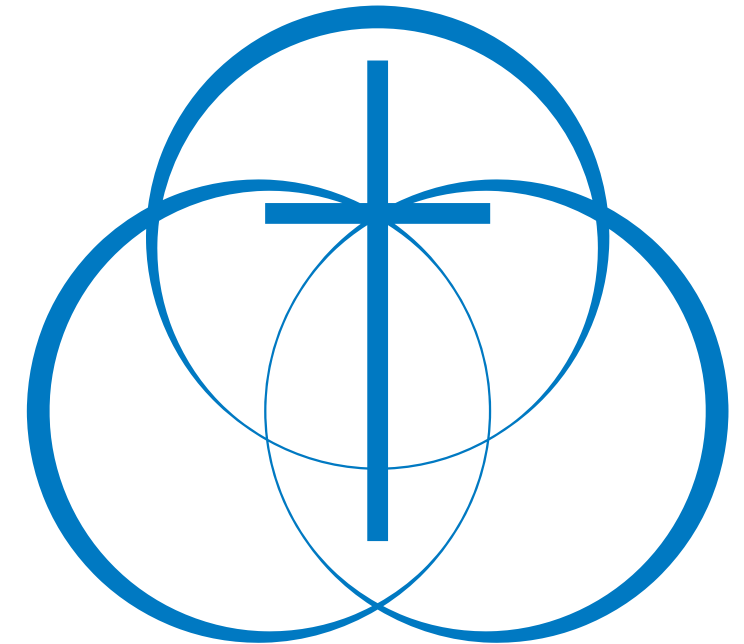
# OUR CHURCH FAMILY

## SERMON NOTES

(Psalm 130)

# MADISON METHODIST CHURCH

Madison, Mississippi



December 1, 2024

The  
Christmas Choir  
& Orchestra  
*present*

TIDINGS OF  
COMFORT  
AND JOY

December 15, 2024  
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# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

December 1, 2024  
First Sunday of Advent

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** People, Look East: The Time Is Near. arr Wood

**HYMN** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel 162

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

8:30 a.m.: Conner, Hannah Rachel, Parker, McKee, & Jackson Smith  
10:45 a.m.: Joe, Sarah, Evelyn, Virginia, & Joe Ulmer

*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

## MORNING PRAYER

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## GREETING

## A TIME MOSTLY FOR CHILDREN

*Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.  
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!*

**OFFERTORY** Of the Father's Love Begotten Neale / Baker  
Erin Gall and Rita McGuffie

## DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 130

**HYMN OF PREPARATION** Who Is this Whose Silent Advent 167

## SERMON

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

**SONG OF BLESSING** Shalom to You  
*Shalom to you now, shalom my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

\*\*\* Seating of additional worshipers



**Senior Pastor** Rev. Barry Male  
**Associate Pastor** Rev. Robert McCormick  
**Administrative Pastor** Rev. Jim Genesse  
**Pastor of Congregational Care** Rev. Linda Rickman  
**Director of Kids Ministry** Renee Scales  
**Director of Music Ministry** Lori Blount  
**Director of Outreach Ministry** Steve Potter  
**Organist** Rosemary McInnis  
**Pianist** Donna Banks

## ACOLYTES:

8:30 a.m. Lillian Faulkner & Sanders Harwell  
10:30 a.m. Kathleen Smillie & Louise Whittington

## BIBLE TIME VOLUNTEERS:

No Bible Time today. We request that children remain in the Sanctuary with their families on Communion Sundays and experience this special and meaningful sacrament together.

## CHRISTMAS POINSETTAS

Naomi Ruth Circle will sponsor the annual poinsettia placement in the Sanctuary this December. Order yours at one of the tables in the Fellowship Hall or Atrium Today, 4th, or 8th. Poinsettias are \$20 each. You can pay by cash, check or Venmo. All proceeds will go to Missions. Deadline is Sunday, December 8th.

## WELCOME GUESTS!

We would love an opportunity to get introduced personally!



Scan the QR code to access an online Connection Card. Please share your name, best contact info, and any areas of the life and ministry of MMC you want to know more about. Then SUBMIT the form, and we will follow up with you in the coming week.

# MINISTRY UPDATES

## STUDENT MINISTRY: (students@madisonmc.org)

### ELEVATE SKI TRIP

Elevate is a Student Ministry Conference held in Gatlinburg, TN. All 7th-12th graders, join us January 17th-20th for a high-energy, relationally- structured weekend that includes speakers, worship, small-group time, and plenty of fun stuff to do. Deadline to sign up is December 1st or when registration is full.



## KIDS MINISTRY: Renee Scales (renee@madisonmc.org)

### CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH US!

Wednesday, December 11th KIDS (Wed PM 3-yr-olds-5th graders)  
Christmas Music Program-6:15 p.m.- Sanctuary  
Saturday, December 14th Pancakes & Pajamas -2 ½ -K5 -8:30-10:00 a.m.-  
CLC Friday, December 13th Aloha! Happy Hula Days Party-1st-3rd Graders  
5:30-7:00 p.m.- CLC  
Friday, December 20th Nativity Scavenger Hunt-4th & 5th Graders  
6:00-7:30 p.m.- Madison Area  
Sunday, December 15th Ugly Christmas Sweater Party-6th Graders  
5:30-7:00 p.m. at Sarah & Joe Ulmer's House



Scan QR Code to Register For All Events

## MISSIONS: Steve Potter (steve@madisonmc.org)

### DELTA GRACE TRIP

What: Delta Grace Mission Trip - Sunflower, MS  
When: Saturday, December 14th  
(6:00 am - 4:00 pm)  
All skill levels are invited and all skills are needed. Whether you can use power tools, carry supplies, help clean up, make lunch or fellowship with the property residents, there is a place for all volunteers. The church will get you there and back. Lunch provided.  
For more information, contact Matthew Thompson  
wmatthewt@gmail.com or Steve Potter steve@madisonmc.org or visit https://deltagrace.org

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT MADISON

Join us for food and fellowship starting at 5:15 p.m. in the CLC. Please use the link or QR code to sign up for meals. Adults \$8/ Children \$5, with a family cap of \$26. You can pay online, at the door with cash, check, credit card or Venmo. Please sign up by Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m. each week.



### December 4th

#### Adult Meal

Stuffed Manicotti with Beef and Mozzarella, Chicken Cacciatore with Polenta, Garlic Spinach, Roasted Root Vegetables, Antipasto Salad, Gambino French Bread, Super Salad Bar

#### Kids Meal

Pepperoni or Cheese French Bread Pizza, Gogurt Yogurt, Grinch Kabobs, Hot Cocoa Dip with Cookies

#### Dessert

Italian Christmas Cookies, Grasshopper Pie (Chocolate Mint), Gingerbread Blondies, Sugar Free Gluten Free Coconut Macaroons