



Madison Street

United Methodist Church

Service for the Lord's Day ~ July 20, 2025 ~ 10:15 a.m.

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost – Mountain T.O.P. Sunday

A professionally staffed **nursery** is located through the double doors on the west side (front left) of the sanctuary.
Our nursery is available for children and infants through age 3. **Restrooms** are also located through the double doors on the west side (front left) of the sanctuary.

ENTRANCE

The Chiming of the Hour

The Words of Gathering & Invitation to Worship

The Rev. Bo Myers

The Prelude

“His Matchless Worth”

arr. Harold DeCou

Jeffrey Thomas, Organist

+The Call to Worship (+Indicates stand as you are able)

Margaux Silvey

Leader: God of hope, joy, peace, and love,

People: You call us home from the exile of selfish oppression

Leader: To the freedom of justice, the balm of healing,

People: And the joy of sharing.

Leader: Make us strong to join in your holy work,

People: As companions to the least, the last, and the lost.

Leader: Renew in us a commitment to care for all of your beloved people,

People: We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Worship from Mountain T.O.P. Opening Worship

+The Processional Hymn No. 593

“Here I Am, Lord”

HERE I AM, LORD

The cross leads the procession as a reminder that Jesus Christ, the Word of God and savior of humanity, is at the center of our worship.

The acolytes light two candles on the altar to symbolize the dual nature of Jesus, fully human and fully divine.

+The Opening Prayer

Margaux Silvey

Gracious and Calling God,

You meet us on the shores of our everyday lives and invite us to follow.

You see more in us than we see in ourselves—

casting a vision into our hearts,

and calling us to cast wide nets of compassion, justice, and love.

As Jesus once called fishermen to become fishers of people,

so you call us to lives of purpose—

to seek out the lonely, lift up the weary,

and welcome all into your abundant love.

O God, tune our hearts to your voice,

prepare our hands for your work,

and shape our community to reflect your wide, inclusive embrace.

We are here, O Christ. We hear your call.

Send us into deep waters with courage and joy.

Amen.

Sharing our Stories

Mountain T.O.P. Participants

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

The Old Testament Lesson

Leviticus 25:8-12

Michaela Fish

+The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 4:18-20

Michaela Fish

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

*During the next hymn, children ages Pre-K through Grade 5
will be dismissed to Kids Core to worship in an exciting, child-oriented way!*

At the conclusion of worship, dismissal locations are: Pre-K: Rm. 305, Kindergarten: Rm. 308, Grades 1-5: Rm. 307

*Pre-K – Kindergarten Topic: **God Cares for a Widow** Grades 1 – 5 Topic: **Spiritual Discipline of Prayer***

+Hymn

“Reckless Love”

Cory Asbury, Caleb Culver, Ran Jackson

Congregation

Before I spoke a word, you were singing over me.
You have been so, so good to me.
Before I took a breath, you breathed your life in me.
You have been so, so kind to me.

Chorus:

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God,
Oh, it chases me down, fights ‘til I’m found, leaves the ninety-nine.
I couldn’t earn it, I don’t deserve it, still you give yourself away,
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God.

When I was your foe, still your love fought for me.
You have been so, so good to me.
When I felt no worth, you paid it all for me.
You have been so, so good to me.

Chorus

There’s no shadow you won’t light up,
Mountain you won’t climb up,
Coming after me.
There’s no wall you won’t kick down,
Lie you won’t tear down,
Coming after me.

Chorus

The Sermon

“Set Free to Follow”

Lucas Amstutz & Rev. Myers

+The Affirmation of Faith No. 885

“A Modern Affirmation”

Cady Drake

The Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer No. 895

Cady Drake

*If you have a prayer request to share with our pastors, please email us at prayer@madisonstreetumc.org
or fill out a prayer card found in the R.O.W. books and place in the offering plate.*

The Offering of Our Gifts to God

Cady Drake

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To give online, go to madisonstreetumc.org/giving or scan the QR code located on the green online giving card.

To give from your phone, text GIVE2MSUMC to 73256.

Offertory

“I Stand Amazed in the Presence” Dr. Christina Creech, Soloist

arr. Jan Sanborn

I Stand Amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how He could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.

How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me!

He took my sins and my sorrows, he made them his very own;
He bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone.

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see,
Twill be my joy through the ages to sing of His love for me.

+The Doxology No. 94

LAST UNS ERFREUEN

SENDING FORTH

+The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Rev. Myers

+Hymn No. 2172

“We Are Called”

THE FAITH WE SING

+The Communal Benediction

MTOP Song Chorus

Congregation

Brown Bannister

I'd love to live on a Mountain TOP
Fellowshipping with the Lord.
I'd love to stand on a Mountain TOP
'Cause I'd love to feel my spirit soar.
But I've got to come down from that Mountain TOP
To the people in the valley below,
Or they'll never know that they can go
To the mountain of the Lord.

+The Postlude

“Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me”

Jeffrey Thomas, Organist

arr. Sam Ellson

*The acolytes lead us into the world carrying the light of Christ as a reminder
that God sends each of us into the world to share Christ's light with others.*

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God, by the Priscilla Weathersby Flower Fund.

To donate flowers in July, contact Marilyn Meador-Lowe; marilynmeador@yahoo.com.

Worship Leaders in Today's Service:

The Rev. Harriet Bryan ~ Senior Pastor

The Rev. Bo Myers ~ Associate Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Tim Sharp ~ Pastoral Associate for the Arts

Lucretia Campbell ~ Congregational Care

Margaux Silvey, Michaela Fish, Lucas Amstutz & Cady Drake ~ Youth Mountain T.O.P Participants

Ashley Menard & Bruce Anderson ~ Technical Team

Eva Orange & Henry Lee ~ Acolytes

Jeffrey Thomas ~ Organist

Dr. Christina Creech ~ Soloist

Madison Street Choir

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(ex. bo@madisonstreetumc.org).



SHARE THE BEAUTY OF WORSHIP!

DO YOU HAVE TIME ON MONDAYS TO BRIGHTEN SOMEONE'S DAY?

WE'RE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO DELIVER OUR
SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS TO THOSE WHO ARE
HOMEBOUND, RECOVERING, OR IN NEED OF
ENCOURAGEMENT.

A SMALL ACT.
A BIG BLESSING.

Interested?

Contact Lucretia Campbell

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This Week at *Madison Street*

Sunday, July 20

8:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Nursery/Childcare Available (2 nd Floor Sanctuary Hall)
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Small Groups (Various Locations)
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Beyond Limits (Rm. 215 – Sanctuary Hall)
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary & Streaming)
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Missions Committee Meeting (Library)
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Kids Discipleship Team (Conference Room)
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Youth Pool Party (Contact Bo for more information)

Monday, July 21

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	SPRC (Conference Room)
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Tuesday, July 22

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	American Red Cross Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	Youth Volleyball Night (Hilldale UMC)

Wednesday, July 23

6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	Healing Harp Circle (CLC Activity Room)
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Thursday, July 24

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study (Rm. 104)
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Memorial Endowment Meeting (Conference Room)
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Group (Library)

Sunday, July 27

8:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Nursery/Childcare Available (2 nd Floor Sanctuary Hall)
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Small Groups (Various Locations)
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Beyond Limits (Rm. 215 – Sanctuary Hall)
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary & Streaming)
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

August F.U.E.L. Focus

Peanut Butter Crackers

Help feed kids in our community!

Bring peanut butter crackers to the Commerce St. entrance
or the narthex to drop off throughout August.



GOSPEL SING SUNDAY



Madison Street
United Methodist Church

August 31
10:15 a.m.



You will go out with celebration, and you will be brought back in peace.
Even the mountains and the hills will burst into song before you;
all the trees of the field will clap their hands
Isaiah 55:12



Bo, Lucas, Ben & Josh (Hilldale UMC), Margaux, Michaela, Cady

SAVE THE DATES 2025

Church Council

July 27

Promotion Sunday

August 10

Blessing of the Backpacks & Keys

August 17

Acolyte Training

August 24

Back to Madison Street

September 7