



Madison Street

United Methodist Church

Service for the Lord's Day ~ July 12, 2026 ~ 10:15 a.m.

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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. Harriet Bryan

The Prelude

“Sarabande from the Sixth French Suite”
J.S. Bach

Jeffrey Thomas, Organist

+The Call to Worship (*+Indicates stand as you're able*)

Lucretia Campbell

Leader: God calls us to lives rooted deeply in wisdom and grace.

People: We seek hearts ready to receive God's word.

Leader: The world offers quick rewards that do not last.

People: We worship the God who forms lasting faith within us.

+The Processional Hymn No. 116 “The God of Abraham Praise”

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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

Lucretia Campbell

**Gracious and loving God,
you desire to plant your truth deeply
within our lives.**

**When we are tempted to choose what is immediate
instead of what leads to life,
shape our desires through your wisdom and grace
and strengthen us in faithful living;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Act of Praise

“The Majesty and Glory”
Tom Fettke

Madison Street Choir

When I gaze into the night skies
and see the work of your fingers;
The moon and stars suspended in space.

Oh, what is man that you are mindful of him?

You have given us a crown of glory and honor,
And have made us a little lower than the angels.
You have put us in charge of all creation:
The beasts of the field; The birds of the air;
The fish of the sea.

Oh, what is man that you are mindful of him?

O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of your name
transcends the earth and fills the heavens.

O Lord, our God; little children praise You perfectly,
And so would we.

Alleluia!

+The Hymn No. 733 (*verse 1 & 2*) “Marching to Zion” MARCHING TO ZION
During the singing of the first verses, children are invited to come forward for the scripture reading and lesson.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

The Old Testament Lesson
Genesis 25:19–34

The Rev. Bo Myers

+The Gospel Reading
Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

Rev. Myers

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

+The Hymn No. 733 (*verse 3 & 4*) “Marching to Zion” MARCHING TO ZION
*During the singing of the final verses, children ages Pre-K through Kindergarten
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. 308, Kindergarten Rm. 309, Grades 1-5: Rm. 307
Pre-K–Kindergarten Topic: Daniel Obeys God Grades 1–5 Topic: Parable of the Good Samaritan II

The Sermon

“Turning Toward God”

Rev. Bryan

Questions to Consider

When have you prayed, “Why is this happening to me?”
– *Genesis 25:22*

Is there a relationship in your life still shaped by favoritism, comparison, or an unspoken wound?

When life feels uncertain this week, where will you turn first?

What birthright are you trading, one tired decision at a time, for the relief of today?

+The Affirmation of Faith No. 883 “The United Church of Canada” The Rev. Dr. Tim Sharp

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

Rev. Sharp

*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

Rev. Bryan

Your generosity enables us to make a difference in our community and world.

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.

The Offertory

“Softly and Tenderly”

Edward Powers, Soloist

Will L. Thompson (1847–1909)

(Text may be found on Hymn No. 348.)

+The Doxology No. 94

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SENDING FORTH

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Rev. Bryan

+The Hymn No. 428

“For the Healing of the Nations”

CWM RHONDDA

+The Benediction

Rev. Bryan

+The Postlude

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Jeffrey Thomas, Organist

arr. Gordon Young

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, (850) 748-9717 or 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 of the Arts

Lucretia Campbell ~ Congregational Care

Bruce Anderson & Brayden Meeks ~ Technical Team

Theo Drake & Noah Greenfield ~ Acolytes

Jeffrey Thomas ~ Organist

Edward Powers ~ Soloist

Madison Street Choir

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Is anyone 

AVAILABLE

to deliver —

flowers 

on behalf of the church on

MONDAY, JULY 13?

 Please let Lucretia know,
lucretia@madisonstreetumc.org.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE & CONCERNS

We value privacy, and we believe in prayer. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email prayer@madisonstreetumc.org or call the church office.

Ronnie Albright	Kristin Armistead Helms	Carol Pring
Rev. Charles Becher	Emilia Isaacs	Ivan Scholle
Shirley Blanck	Allan Irby	Karen Scholle
Desi Burdick	Joe Johnson	Judy Smith
Lucretia Campbell	Jeff Johnston	Morgen Smith
Rita Collett	Mary Kidd	Chris Towe
Janice Cook	Joanne Kroll	Rev. Cliff Wright
Christina Creech	Ken Kroll	Elaine Yarzab
Rev. Dr. LeNoir Culbertson	Griffin Myers	
Doris Davenport	Polly Wallace Parker	
Silas Fritts	Chris Patton	Military Families
Sherri Harvill	Johnny Peay	Suicide Epidemic

*We extend Christian sympathy to the friends & family of JoAnn Procopio,
who passed away on July 2, 2026.*

This Week at *Madison Street*

Sunday, July 12

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)

Tuesday, July 14

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Trustees Meeting (Rm. 120 – Conference Room)
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Thursday, July 16

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl (Library)
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Ability Avengers (Sarah Mann Building)
5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Finance Committee (Rm. 120 – Conference Room)

Sunday, July 19

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)

Adult Fellowship

Monday, July 20

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

APSU Nursing & Healthcare Education

At MSUMC • Tour of APSU's Health Professions Building to follow



Presented by Dr. Karen Meisch

Coffee & Donuts



CHURCH CLEANUP DAY

*Many Hands.
Stronger Together.*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1
8:30AM-11:00AM

Help us care for our church home
Scan to Volunteer!



OUTDOOR PROJECTS

Make a visible difference
in the life of our church.



INDOOR PROJECTS TOO!

We'll have projects inside
for every skill and ability.



Whether inside or outside,
every act of service builds up
our church and our community.

Come. Serve. Make a Difference.

SAVE THE DATE

Back to Madison Street

A Free Family Event

Sunday, August 30

3:30–6:00 p.m.

Register Here: madisonstreetumc.org



Join us for Back to Madison Street on Sunday, August 30, from 3:30–6:00 PM as we kick off the fall season together! This churchwide community event will include a fried chicken meal, bounce houses, an ice cream contest, activities, and opportunities to learn more about the ministries and groups at Madison Street. Come connect, have fun, and find your place to plug in this fall.

