



Madison Street

United Methodist Church

Service for the Lord's Day ~ January 11, 2026 ~ 10:15 a.m.
Baptism of the Lord

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

“Like a River Glorious”
arr. Harold DeCou

Jeffrey Thomas, Organist

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

Leader: The voice of God speaks over the waters.

People: **“You are my beloved.”**

Leader: We gather as people claimed and called.

People: **Grace has brought us here.**

Lucretia Campbell

+The Processional Hymn No. 252 “When Jesus Came to Jordan”

COMPLAINER

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

O God of grace, who names us beloved
and calls us into the waters of new life,
open our hearts to hear your voice again.
Guide our steps and shape us into people
who live your calling with joy, justice, and generosity,
so that we may reflect your love in all we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

The Old Testament Lesson

The Rev. Bo Myers

Isaiah 42:1-9

+The Gospel Lesson

Rev. Myers

Matthew 3:13-17

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

Thanks be to God.

Next Gen Moment

Rev. Myers

*After the Next Gen Moment, 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
Pre-K – Kindergarten Topic: Jesus at the Temple Grades 1 – 5 Topic: Epiphany*

+Hymn No. 500

“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”

MORECAMBE

The Sermon

“Imagine Together: Who We Are and Whose We Are”

Rev. Bryan

Questions to Consider

How does my baptism—or God’s claim on my life—shape my identity and calling?

Where is God calling our church to show up for our community?

How might generosity be part of living our baptismal identity together?

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

“The Water Is Wide”

arr. Howard Helvey

Jeffery Thomas, Organist

+The Doxology No. 94

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+Reaffirmation of Baptismal Covenant

Invitation

Leader: Today we remember Jesus’ baptism in the Jordan, when the heavens opened, the Spirit descended like a dove, and a voice declared, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

We remember also the promise through Isaiah that God’s servant would be upheld, delighted in, and given as a light to the nations.

Through baptism we are named beloved, claimed by grace, and called to share in Christ’s mission.

If you have not been baptized, you are invited to listen for God’s claim upon your life and to consider the call of Christ, even as the Church renews its promises today.

Renunciation and Profession

Leader: Do you renew and affirm your faith in Jesus Christ, trusting in his grace?

People: We do.

Leader: Do you repent of sin and seek to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

People: We do.

Leader: Do you promise, by the grace of God, to serve Christ through the Church and to live as his faithful disciples?

People: We do, with God’s help.

Prayer Over the Water

Leader: Creating and redeeming God, your Spirit moved over the waters at creation.

Through the sea you delivered your people.

Through the prophet you promised a servant who would bring forth justice. In the Jordan, Jesus was baptized, the Spirit descended, and you named him Beloved.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this water.

As we remember our baptism, renew in us our identity as your beloved children and strengthen us for joyful service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Remembrance of Baptism

You are invited to come forward and take a marble from the water as a tactile reminder of God's claim upon your life.

The Act of Praise During the Remembrance of Baptism

“Down to the River to Pray/Shall We Gather”
arr. Tim Sharp

Madison Street Choir

(Words may be found on Hymn No. 723.)

SENDING FORTH

+The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Rev. Bryan

+The Hymn No. 334

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

+The Benediction

Rev. Bryan

+The Postlude

“O Worship the King”
arr. Sam Ellson

Jeffrey Thomas, Organist

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 in loving memory of Catherine Evans Harrill
& Betty H. North by Sherri Harrill.*

To donate flowers in January contact Lyn Patrick; (931) 237-3311 or uplandhall@aol.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

Ashley Menard & Bruce Anderson ~ Technical Team

Foster Myers & Ty Zang ~ Acolytes

Jeffrey Thomas ~ Organist

Madison Street Choir

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This Week at *Madison Street*

Sunday, January 11

8:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Nursery/Childcare Available (2nd Floor Sanctuary Hall)
Sunday Morning Choir Makeup Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Sunday Morning Small Groups (Various Locations)
Beyond Limits (Rm. 215 – Sanctuary Hall)
Worship (Sanctuary & Streaming)
Children’s Choir Leadership Meeting (Choir Room)
Empty Bowls Meeting (Rm. 107)
Kids Discipleship Meeting (Conference Room)
UMYF (Hildale UMC)

Monday, January 12

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Adult Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, January 13

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Adult Ministries Planning Meeting (Library)
Trustees Meeting (Conference Room)

Wednesday, January 14

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Bible Study (Rm. 107)

Thursday, January 15

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Group (Library)
Finance Committee (Conference Room)
Urban Ministries Public Informational Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, January 18

8:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
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4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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Please Note: Harriet will be attending the Southeastern Jurisdiction Committee on Episcopacy at Epworth by the Sea, January 14-16.

CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER: HELP IS HERE

Madison St. UMC Adult Ministries Fellowship Luncheon

AgeWell Elder Care Partnership

Monday, January 12 2026

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

MSUMC Fellowship Hall

Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup

Suggested Donation: \$10

Caregiving touches every life.

It is an act of love—

but it can also be overwhelming.

If you or someone you love is caregiving,

you don't have to do it alone.

Madison Street UMC has partnered with

AgeWell of Middle Tennessee

to offer caregivers confidential support

and helpful resources.

Join us Monday, January 12

at the Adult Ministries Luncheon as

Tiffany Cloud-Mann of AgeWell

introduces this new program.

Imagine Together

Discovering who God is calling us to be.

New worship series begins January 4.



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Children's
Choirs



at MADISON STREET UMC

Adult Offerings:

Hang Out

Games

Free Wifi

Conversation Group

Meal • Music • Meaning

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS (5:30 - 7 P.M.)
BEGINNING JANUARY 21, 2026**

Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 10 a.m.

Everyone Welcome!

Growing in faith, together.

Books \$10

Email Pastor Bo
bo@madisonstreetumc.org
for more information.



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