



# *Madison Street*

## United Methodist Church

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

*Baptism of the Lord*

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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.

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## 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 your able)

Lucretia Campbell

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.**

**+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](mailto: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](http://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"

Madison Street Choir

arr. Tim Sharp

(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"

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.*

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*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Catherine Evans Harvill  
& Betty H. North by Sherri Harvill.*

*To donate flowers in January contact Lyn Patrick; (931) 237-3311 or [uplandhall@aol.com](mailto: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.	Nursery/Childcare Available (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Sanctuary Hall)
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Sunday Morning Choir Makeup Rehearsal (Choir Room)
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.	Children's Choir Leadership Meeting (Choir Room)
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Empty Bowls Meeting (Rm. 107)
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Kids Discipleship Meeting (Conference Room)
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	UMYF (Hilldale UMC)

## **Monday, January 12**

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Adult Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
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## **Tuesday, January 13**

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Adult Ministries Planning Meeting (Library)
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Trustees Meeting (Conference Room)

## **Wednesday, January 14**

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Rm. 107)
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## **Thursday, January 15**

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Group (Library)
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Finance Committee (Conference Room)
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Urban Ministries Public Informational Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

## **Sunday, January 18**

8:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Nursery/Childcare Available (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Sanctuary Hall)
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Sunday Morning Choir Makeup Rehearsal (Choir Room)
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)
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	UMYF (Hilldale UMC)

**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**

A poster for a fellowship luncheon. It features a green and white checkered background. A large white circle in the center contains the event details. The text is arranged as follows: 'Madison St. UMC Adult Ministries Fellowship Luncheon' in a curved banner at the top; 'AgeWell Elder Care Partnership' below it; 'Monday, January 12 2026' followed by '11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.' and 'MSUMC Fellowship Hall'; 'Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup' below a horizontal line; and 'Suggested Donation: \$10' in a white oval at the bottom.

**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

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for more information.



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