

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 30, 2025:

First Sunday of Advent

We will be worshipping together as one church family/one worship service (all three church congregations together) at Chapel UMC at 10am followed by a congregational meeting at 11:15am.

Monday, December 1, 2025:

6:30 AA - Book Study, 7:30 AA in fellowship

7:00 Cub Scout Pack Mtg.

9:30 Women's Bible Study

7:00 Bible Study @ Don & Judy Bartlett's home

Tuesday, December 2, 2025:

3:00 Brookdale Bible Study

7:00-8:00 Hallelujah Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 Scout Troop 71

7:00 Scout Troop 55

Wednesday, December 3, 2025:

8:00 Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Perry Family Diner

3:00 Prayer Time: Live streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

4:00 Worship Team Practice

Thursday, December 4, 2025:

7:00 Perry- Madison Girl Scout Leadership Mtg.

Friday, December 5, 2025:

6:00 Girl Scout Troop 71113

7:00 Troop 71 Christmas Camp in

Saturday, December 6, 2025:

9am Men's & Women's Breakfast @ Madison Family Restaurant.

10:30-noon - Bread Room in Wesley Hall

3 -7:30pm - Christmas in the Village Park (Viewing Nativity Scenes in fellowship hall)

4-5:30 Decibells Handbell Choir- Christmas Concert @ Harvey High School

Announcements

Sunday, December 7th at 5pm @Chapel UMC will be our Blue Christmas Service. All are Invited to attend!

Thank you to our Bell Ringers for Salvation Army Red Kettle at Giant Eagle yesterday. Please know that there are other time slots available at both Walmart and Giant Eagle doors throughout the month of December. Please go to the Sign-up Genius link [{The Salvation Army Madison Service Unit}](#) to sign up or see Larry for help with signing up.

Saturday, Dec. 6th 3-7:30 Christmas in the Village Park at Park UMC (Nativity Scenes). Next Free Lunch is Saturday, December 20th 11-1 in Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Choir at Perry - sign-up sheet is in the information station. We are scheduling the first rehearsal on Sunday, Dec. 7th after our worship service (10:35am).

Christmas Baskets at the Perry Center - we are providing 100 16oz. bag of egg noodles for the food baskets. We have collected 81 and still need 19 more by Dec. 3rd.

Adopt-A-Child wish lists have all been picked-up - Thank you.

Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell Ringing at Perry IGA sign-up sheet is on the back table in the sanctuary. Still need a few Bell ringers on 12/23.



All Poinsettia orders are due on Sunday, December 7th. Order forms are at all three churches and can be found on the back table in the narthex at Chapel as well.

■ Chapel ■ Park ■ Perry

Northern Light Cooperative Ministry

Chapel UMC, Park UMC, Perry UMC



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Our Vision Statement:

Connect and Reconnect ALL people to God in Jesus Christ

Welcome to Worship

**Stand to worship the Lord as you are able in body or in spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC/ PRELUDE
BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Heidi Skok

Pastor Scott Racut

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jackie McLaughlin

L = Liturgist P = People

L: People of God, open your eyes!

P: Look around!

L: The presence of our Lord Jesus Christ is here—

P: Among us and within us.

L: God's salvation is close at hand—

P: Nearer than we know.

L: So open your hearts and minds to the Spirit,

P: And let's worship God together!

*OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

O God, grant us a sense of your timing. In this season of short days and long nights, of grey and white and cold, teach us the lessons of beginnings; that such waitings and endings may be the starting place, a planting of seeds which bring to birth what is ready to be born— something right and just and different, a new song, a deeper relationship, a fuller love— in the fullness of your time. Amen!

FIRST ADVENT READING AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Richard & Janet Vickery

*OPENING HYMN

"Everlasting God"

VIDEO

By Lincoln Brewster (Benton Brown & Ken Riley) CCLI Song # 4556538

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/ PASTORAL PRAYER/ LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation/Offertory

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **UMH # 94**

*Prayer of Dedication

HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

Sung by Heidi Edder and Destiny Coleman

"No One Like the Lord" CCLI Song # 7239649

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Romans 13: 11-14

Jackie McLaughlin

Matthew 24: 36-44

MESSAGE

"Are We Ready?"

Pastor Scott Racut

*CLOSING HYMN

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

UMH 211

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE:

~ Go in Peace and Live in Love ~

Heidi Skok



**OVERWHELMED?
NEED HOPE?**

Holiday times can be difficult if you have lost a loved one, a relationship, a job, or your health.

Find Healing and Hope at Northern Light Cooperative Ministry's Blue Christmas Service

**Sunday, December 7th
5:00pm
Chapel United Methodist Church
2019 Hubbard Road, Madison**



Enjoy browsing our Nativity Scenes at
CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE PARK
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6TH 2025
3-7:30pm at Park United Methodist Church
31 Park Street, Madison Village



The first living nativity scene, attributed to Saint Francis of Assisi, occurred in 1223 in the Italian town of Greccio. Francis had been inspired by his visit to the Holy Land, where he had been shown Jesus's traditional birthplace. Distinctive nativity scenes and traditions have been created around the world and are displayed during Christmas season in churches, homes, shopping malls, and other venues. Please enjoy our collection of Nativity Scenes on display in our fellowship hall as you enjoy the atmosphere of the season in Madison Village Park.

Free Popcorn and Hot Chocolate
The parade starts at 5:30pm