MADISON
HEIGHTS CHURCH

LORD'S DAY • NOVEMBER 22, 2026

Something wonderful and miraculous and life-changing takes place within the human soul when Jesus Christ is invited [in worship] to take his rightful place. That is exactly what God anticipated when he wrought the plan of salvation. He intended to make worshipers out of rebels. He intended to restore to men and women the place of worship which our first parents knew when they were created.

-A.W. Tozer

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

As a deer pants for flowing streams,
So my soul pants for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When shall I come and appear before God?

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

-Psalm 42:1-2,5

Liturgical Guide

Members & Guests are invited to be seated before worship and again during singing. We ask our greeters to pause congregational seating during corporate prayers and Sacraments.

Psalm 150:6
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

John 6:35
Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

Psalm 62:2
He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

WORSHIP IN SONG

Everything [Psalm 150]

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Praise the Lord! Praise him in his sanctuary.
Sing the greatness of his glory. Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord! Praise him with the cymbals crashing,
Winds and brass and strings and dancing. Praise the Lord!

Let everything, everything, let everything that breathes,
Let everything that breathes come praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord! Praise the King of all creation.
Sing the song of his salvation. Praise the Lord!

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

Words: Joseph Hart, 1759. Music: Matthew Smith ©2000 detuned radio music.

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness he requires is to feel your need of him.
This he gives you, this he gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of his blood.
Venture on him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good.

I'll Not Be Shaken [Psalm 62]

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For God alone I wait in silence. My soul is still before the Lord
He is my rock and my salvation, my fortress strong: I trust in him.

I'll not be shaken. I'll not be shaken, for all my hope is in his love.
From God alone comes my salvation. I'll wait and trust his steadfast love.

Put not your hope in gain of riches. Seek not your rest in empty wealth.
The rich are weak; the poor are mighty, who turn to God alone for help.

Pour out your heart to God our refuge and trust in him to hear you cry.
No other hope will never fail you; no other love will not run dry.

CHILDREN'S SERMON & INTERLUDE

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age,
according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever.
-Galatians 1:3-4

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Hosea 11:12-12:6 • *"It's the DNA"* • Rev. Randy Rhea

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.
— Isaiah 40:8

SONG OF RESPONSE

How Sweet and Awesome is the Place
Words: Isaac Watts, 1707. Music: Old Irish hymn melody.

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,
While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?

"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room,
When thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;
Else we had still refused to taste and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;
Send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race
May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

BENEDICTION

Liturgical Guide

3K & 4K are invited to the front for the children's sermon and then children's church.

The Corporate Confession of Sin reminds us all that we are no better than others and that it is ONLY Grace which makes any of us what we are.

Luke 14:23
Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled.

Announcements

AFFINITY GROUPS, YOUTH & CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL will meet at 10am. Adults will have combined class in the Connection Space.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed November 25-27 for the holiday.

IN HIS STEPS COMPASSION STORE
MHC is serving Madison County families by providing affordable access to Christmas gifting. Gifts are due to the church by Sunday, December 6.

SCAN TO GIFT

WOMEN'S ORNAMENT SWAP will be Thursday, December 10 at 6:00pm at the home of Liz Smitherman.

SCAN TO REGISTER

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be Sunday, December 13 at 6:30pm. Join us for a retelling of the Christmas story with carols. Cookies and cocoa will be served in the Lodge following the program.

Giving @ MHC

Giving through end of October 2026

YTD Giving.....$1,154,871

YTD Budget.....$1,166,668

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SERMON NOTES

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Our Mission is to be a Refuge for Broken People where we Experience the Grace of Christ and Express the Truth of the Gospel.

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PRAYER REQUEST
Submit your prayer request by scanning the QR code and filling out the form.

PRAYER

MADISON HEIGHTS?
There is no better answer than to listen to these four important messages about our mission!

MHC MISSION

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Please let us know who you are by filling out this electronic visitor's card.

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