



MADISON

HEIGHTS CHURCH

LORD'S DAY • DECEMBER 7, 2025

ADVENT MEDITATION

A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

—ISAIAH 40:3-5

CHILDREN'S SPECIAL MUSIC

"Go Tell It On The Mountain"

(8:30 - 3K&4K • 11AM 5K & 1st Grade)

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

There is none like you, O Lord;

You are great, and your name is great in might.

Who would not fear you, O King of the nations? For this is your due;

For among all the wise ones of the nations and in all their kingdoms there is none like you.

The Lord is the true God; he is the living God and the everlasting King.

It is he who made the earth by his power, who established the world by his wisdom, and by his understanding stretched out the heavens.

—JEREMIAH 10:6-7,10,12

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.

Luke 2:14

*Glory to God in the
highest, and on earth peace
among those with whom
he is pleased!*

1 Timothy 3:16

*Great indeed, we confess,
is the mystery of godliness:
He was manifested in
the flesh, vindicated by
the Spirit, seen by angels,
proclaimed among the
angels, believed on in the
world, taken up in glory.*

WORSHIP IN SONG

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Words: Charles Wesley, 1753. Music: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, 1840.

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by, born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth. King."
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

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Come behold the wondrous myst'ry in the dawning of the King:
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity.
In our longing in our darkness, now the light of life has come.
Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry: he the perfect Son of Man,
In his living, in his suff'ring, never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man:
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry: Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption. See the Father's plan unfold,
Bringing many sons to glory. Grace unmeasured, love untold!

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry: slain by death, the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain him. Praise the Lord! He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope:
Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes.

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Away In A Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head;
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

CHILDREN'S SERMON & INTERLUDE

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

—PSALM 130:7-8

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Luke 19 :45-48 • *"The Chandelier and the Temple"* • Rev. Randy Rhea
The grass withers, the flower fades but the word of our God will stand forever.

—ISAIAH 40:8

SONG OF RESPONSE

Silent Night

Joseph Mohr and Franz Gruber, 1818.

Silent night! Holy night! All is calm all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night! Holy night! Son of God Love's pure light,
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace.
Jesus Lord at Thy birth, Jesus Lord at Thy birth.

Silent night! Holy night! Wondrous star lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!

BENEDICTION

LITURGICAL GUIDE

Luke 2:7

And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger.

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.

Isaiah 26:3

You keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**AFFINITY GROUPS
AND CHILDREN'S
SUNDAY SCHOOL**
will meet at 10am.

**IN HIS STEPS ANGEL
TREE** Gifts are due to the
church TODAY. Please
drop off your items in the
Connection Space.

**WOMEN'S ORNAMENT
SWAP** will be December 11th
at 6:30pm at the home of Liz
Smitherman.

SCAN TO
REGISTER



**CHRISTMAS EVE
SERVICES** Wednesday,
Dec. 24th are scheduled for
3:30pm & 5:00pm.

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SAVE THESE 2026 DATES
Jan 9th-10th Women's Retreat
Jan 11th Missions Conference
Jan 23rd - 24th Redeeming
Technology Conference

GIVING @ MHC

Giving through end of November 2025

YTD Giving\$1,319,380

YTD Budget.....\$1,375,000

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SERMON NOTES

Luke 19 :45-48 • *"The Chandelier and the Temple"*

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



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