

# Madison Presbyterian Church

Presbyterian Church (USA)



November 9, 2008      32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time      8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

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## Serving Today

### Ushers

8:45—Jack and Nancy Pluckhahn  
11:00—Tim and Steven Lamb

### Acolytes

8:45—Luke Biscoglia  
11:00—Caroline Smith

### Nursery Volunteers

8:30—Michelle Paschal  
9:45—Pam Latham  
10:45—Courtney Boswell, Reba Whitaker

### Elders

#### Class of 2008

Melissa Broach  
Jason Connolly  
Hoyt Jackson  
Richard Howard  
Linda Sky  
Connie Booth

#### Class of 2009

Chris Barber  
Sonny Biscoglia  
Johnnie Sue Moore  
Mary Pickles  
Harris Warbington

#### Class of 2010

Bob Hogan  
Christie Jones  
Lorene Malanowski  
Garry Phelps  
Robert Trulock

## Our Mission Statement

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, guided by Scripture, and faithful to the Reformed tradition, the mission of Madison Presbyterian Church is to share God's transforming love by continuing the reconciling ministry of Jesus Christ.

### Madison Presbyterian Church

382 South Main Street  
Madison, GA 30650

Phone: 706-342-2813      Fax: 706-342-4350

8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

(Nursery provided for all services and Sunday School)

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday

After hours pastoral emergency, please contact one of the pastors at home.

Rev. Estes 404-405-5692; Rev. Carson 706-342-9454;

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## Prayer Requests for Week of November 9, 2008

### Health Concerns

- Kim Murray (Alfred Murray's daughter)
- Paul Cotton (Paula Vaughan's father)
- Evelyn Hunter
- Mary Carter (Dan Vaughn's mother)
- Heather Landmesser (friend of Babs Johnston)
- Jonathan Tisdale (friend of Brandon & Monica Jolley)
- Hayes Avery (friend of Karen Strelecki)
- Chris Mohler (Dick Mohler's son)
- Mazelle Phelps (mother of Garry Phelps)
- Holly Johnston (Babs & Hiram Johnston's daughter-in-law)
- Gloria Belcher
- Keely Jenkins (Marie Harris' great-granddaughter)
- Steve Barrett
- Bill Parks (Larry Parks' father)
- Barbara Moorhead
- Jay Lamb (Tim Lamb's father)
- Marie Ponder (Deb Smoak's mother)
- Trent Funk (Sherri Brady's brother)
- Debra Bernes (treatment for cancer)
- Richard Pippin (Jim and Elinor Pippin's son)
- Helen Woodson
- John Abbott (Bill Abbott's brother)
- Kathryn Foskey
- Hilda Corry (stress fracture)

### Recently Hospitalized

- Wes Busby (son of Bob and Norma Busby) - at home and recovering well
- Helen Wadford
- Frederick Lockman (grandson of Dollie Pettis)
- Edna Johnson (Fred Johnson's mother) - broken hip

### Serving Our Country

- Rodney Hardeman (Bob Phillips' cousin)
- Sean Bryan Hudson (son of Mary Alice Hudson)
- Ben Tisdale (Ken & Betty Morris' grandson)
- SPC William Jacob Henderson (Bob & Norma Busby's grandson) & SPC Amber Ramsey-Henderson, Texas
- Denny Gerber (Jim & Lorene Malanowski's nephew)
- Michael Crosby Launius (son of George & Nancy Launius)
- Bobby Hughes (son of Bob & Rose Mary Hughes)
- Daniel Whitlock Fort Rucker, AL
- WO1 Arthur Hugh Dye II (son of Greg & Karen Strelecki) Fort Rucker, AL
- Parker Jackson—Travis AFB
- Kristopher Pruitt (Sue Crowley's grandson) - Shepard AFB, Texas

### Madison House

- Doris Atkinson
- Marie Moorhead
- Helen Hossler
- Inez Jones

### Birthdays

11/9 Lauren Lindsey  
11/10 Gloria Buchanan,  
Walt Shepherd  
11/11 Bobby Jones  
11/13 Jim Malanowski

Welcome and Announcements

(Please turn off cell phones and pagers at this time.)

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

Prelude      **Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above**      arr. Smith

Introit (11:00)      **Shout! Shout! Alleluia!**      Martin

Call To Worship

One: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;  
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**Many: We will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord.**

One: Let us worship God!

\*Hymn of Praise No. 482      **Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty**

\*Call to Confession      **Sanctuary**  
**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.**  
**With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

\*Prayer of Confession— (unison)  
**Merciful God, hear these our prayers of confession.**  
**We ask that you cleanse us from the things that pollute us,**  
**forgive us for the things that hurt others and insult you,**  
**rescue us from the things that degrade your church,**  
**and deliver us from the things that place the world in**  
**bondage to sin.**  
**By your abundant grace, restore to us the joy of salvation**  
**through you Son, Jesus .....(the prayer continues in silence).**  
**Amen.**

\*Assurance of Forgiveness  
One: Friends, hear and believe the Good News of the Gospel.  
**Many: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

\*Gloria Patri  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**  
**As it was in the beginning, it now, and ever shall be, world**  
**without end. Amen.**

Minute for Mission      8:45—Fred Harris

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

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\*Please stand if you are able.  
\*\*"B" refers to regular print Bibles with a blue border. "W" refers to those Bibles with a white border.

Offertory (8:45) *Bowrée* J.S. Bach  
(11:00) *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* arr. Diggle

\*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above the heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Anthem (11:00) *A Willing Heart* Fettke

Time for Young Disciples  
(Children 3-5 yrs old are excused to go to Children's Church.)

Prayers of the People

One: The Lord be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**Many: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Hymn of Preparation No. 426 *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak*

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading **Psalms 78:1-7** B:537;W:508

New Testament Reading **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** B:204;W:193

Sermon **Not Left Behind** Rev. Estes

\*Affirmation of Faith—from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

\*Hymn of Service No. 391 *Take My Life*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Congregational Response *Surely It Is God Who Saves Me*

**Surely, it is God who saves me;**

**I will trust in him and not be afraid.**

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
and he will be my Savior.**

\*Postlude *Fantasia* G. Telemann

### **This Week's Events**

#### **Sunday, November 9**

8:45 a.m. Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service (w/adult choir)  
12:00 p.m. Middle School Retreat returns  
1:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m. Youth Group

#### **Monday, November 10**

10:00 a.m. Prayer Group (church library)  
11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (church library)

#### **Tuesday, November 11**

7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast and Bible Study (fellowship hall)  
12:00 p.m. Bible Study (church library)

#### **Wednesday, November 12**

7:00 a.m. Sr. High Breakfast (Ye Old Colonial)  
11:00 a.m. Adult Education Ministry meeting (church library)  
3:30 p.m. Jr. High Snack Attack (Wendy's)  
4:45 p.m. Program Staff meets (pastor's study)  
6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner and activities (fellowship hall)  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

#### **Thursday, November 13**

12:30 p.m. Young at Heart (fellowship hall)  
7:30 p.m. Presbyterian Women Next Circle (church library)

#### **Friday, November 14**

8:30 a.m. Disciple II Bible Study (church library)

#### **Saturday, , November 15**

Youth Group (UGA-Auburn) @ Hartney's

### **Welcome**

We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us today and hope you feel warmly welcomed by our members. We have a nursery available for children under three years of age, and listening devices for the hearing impaired. Children three to five years old go to Children's Church following the children's message. Our ushers will be happy to assist you with any or all of these ministries. If you live in the Madison area and do not have a church home, we invite you to become a member

### **Sunday School—10:00 a.m.**

#### **Adults**

**St. Andrews Class**, primarily for those sixty and older, meets in room 205. **The Friends of J.C.** meets in the fellowship hall and is for adults of all ages. **The Homebuilders Class**, which meets in the library, is especially for younger adults. This Fall, their study is "Parenting With Love and Logic." Visit and find the class that's right for you.

#### **Youth**

Senior Highs meet upstairs in the senior high room and Middle Schoolers meet off the fellowship hall.

#### **Children**

The 3 and 4 year olds meet in room 102. K through 2nd grade meets in room 206 and 3rd through 5th grade meets in room 202.

### **Wednesday Nights at MPC**

#### **November 12**

6:00 p.m.—Dinner  
6:30 p.m.—Activities for children and youth.  
"Christian Identity" led by Harry Bevery (Room 205)  
Inquirer's Class led by Coile Estes (Pastor's Study)

#### **November 19**

6:00 p.m.—Dinner  
6:30 p.m. Intergenerational Advent Event (fellowship hall)

#### **November 26**

No Wednesday Night Dinner or Programs

### **Flowers**

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary this morning to the Glory of God by Mike and Gale Hurst.

### **Community Thanksgiving Service—November 23**

Our congregation is invited to the Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 23, 7:00 p.m. at St. James Catholic Church (562 Vine Street). An offering will be received for the Community Benevolent Fund and canned goods will be accepted for The Caring Place.

### **Intergenerational Advent Event—November 19**

On Wednesday night, November 19, we will hold an Advent workshop designed for the whole family. Without going into details, let me say that it will involve individually creating something that will be displayed in the building all during Advent. So wear crafting clothes, tap into your artistic natures and come ready to share a wonderful time of fellowship and creativity with friends of all ages!

### **Offering Hope, Changing Lives With Our Thornwell Offering**

Thornwell Home for Children is a Presbyterian Outreach that houses more than 100 youth who have no other place to live for a short or long period of time due to various family situations. The care of Thornwell's residents is based on sound Christian principles and a warm, loving cottage atmosphere staffed by Family Teachers dedicated to providing the finest in Christian development. They make it a priority to help these children achieve academic success. Your support provides books, tutors, computers and other technology to help Thornwell's children succeed academically. Give generously from your heart this Thanksgiving season. Envelopes can be found in the pews each Sunday in November. Thank you for your support and caring of others.

### **Operation Christmas Child—November 17-23**

It's shoebox time again! Operation Christmas Child is a Samaritan's Purse international relief effort based in Boone, N.C., and sponsored by the Billy Graham ministries. It is both nondenominational and interdenominational. These simple shoeboxes filled with toys, candy, school supplies, and other items, bring smiling faces and the joy of Christmas to many children who may have never received a Christmas present. Most of the children receiving these boxes live in desperate circumstances, suffering from abject poverty, sickness, war, or natural disaster. The dates this year for dropping off your shoeboxes at MPC are November 17-23. If a person would like to know where their shoebox was delivered they can donate their \$7.00 shipping and handling fee online at the Samaritan Purse website (www.samaritanpurse.org). Download a label which you will attach to your shoebox and you will be sent an email letting you know which country received your shoebox.