

The View

Madison Presbyterian Church

November 2024

Thankful for You!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Actually, it's plural. I am thankful for all y'all. It's only fitting that we would follow up the incredible gifts and cards of appreciation for me (?!) with marked appreciation for...all y'all! So November is pastor appreciation, meaning **I** get to thank God for this church, for the meaningful ministry we share, for the gifts each of you bring to our field. You are remarkable, and I thank God everyday for leading me to such a wonderful, wonderful family.

Why do I love you? Let me count the ways!

You exhibit the fruits of the Spirit in an uncivil time. (Galatians 5:22-23)

You "outdo one another in showing honor". (Romans 12:10)

You use the gifts that God has given you to serve others. (1 Peter 4:10)

You treat the older folks as mothers and fathers, the younger people as brothers and sisters. (1 Timothy 5:1-2)

You let the little children come, and train them up in the way they should go. (Matthew 19:14, Proverbs 22:6)

You honor the Sabbath and keep it holy. (Exodus 20:8-11)

You worship the Lord and serve only him. (Luke 4:8)

You love God, and love your neighbors. (Matthew 22:37-40)

Y'all are truly beloved, my joy and my crown. (Philippians 4:1)

It is a delight to serve God with you.

Blessings,
Pastor Karen



Pastor Karen Contact Information



My cell is 540-414-3193 Saturday through Thursday 9am-7pm.

My Sabbath is Friday. Emergencies only on Fridays, please.



EMERGENCIES call any time. PLEASE call or text directly if you or your loved one goes to the hospital, as soon as possible. Do not assume I know.



2024						
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In the Office M, W, Th from 9 to Noon AND when you want to see me.

I am HAPPY to make afternoon, evening, or weekend appointments.

My time will flex to accommodate you. I will be on Study Leave Oct 7th-9th.

If you want to drop by to see me instead of making an appointment, I will always be glad to see you. Just know you may have to wait if someone else has scheduled



MPC Office Hours in October

Heidi will be in the office on Mondays in October. Please leave a message on the phone or send an email if there's anything we can help with. If you have changes to your Address, Phone, or Email please send updated information to office@madisonpresbyterian.com. Donna will resume an office schedule of Monday through Thursdays in November.



2024 & 2025 Flower Calendars
are posted in the Narthex.
Send flower dedications for the
bulletin to
office@madisonpresbyterian.com
or call the office at (540)948-6972.



Madison Presbyterian Church

PIN: 22871 Presbytery: James ([150298](#)) Synod: Mid-Atlantic ([150](#))

Fall Bible Study Schedule – Gospel of Matthew Part III 10:00am -11:15am - Thursday Mornings - Tack Room

Nov 7	Chapter 24	Part b: Left Behind? (vs. 29-51)
Nov 14	Chapter 25	Part a: Always a bridesmaid, Always the bride (vs. 1-30)
Nov 21	Chapter 25	Part b: When? (vs.31-46)

Chapters 25 – 28 for Thursdays in Lent

Passover, Betrayal, Trial, Crucifixion, Passion, Resurrection

March 6, 13, 20, 27

April 3, 10

If interested in an evening Bible Study, please reach out to Pastor Karen!

Earth Care Pledge

Peace and justice is God's plan for all creation. The earth and all creation are God's. God calls us to be careful, humble stewards of this earth, and to protect and restore it for its own sake, and for the future use and enjoyment of the human family. As God offers all people the special gift of peace through Jesus Christ, and through Christ reconciles all to God, we are called to deal justly with one another and the earth.

1. Our **worship** and discipleship will celebrate God's grace and glory in creation and declare that God calls us to cherish, protect and restore this earth.

2. In **education**, we will seek learning and teaching opportunities to know and understand the threats to God's creation and the damage already inflicted. We will encourage and support each other in finding ways of keeping and healing the creation in response to God's call to earth-keeping, justice and community.

3. Our **facilities** will be managed, maintained and upgraded in a manner that respects and cherishes all creation, human and non-human, while meeting equitably the needs of all people. In our buildings and on our grounds we will use energy efficiently, conserve resources, and share what we have in abundance so that God's holy creation will be sustainable for all life and future generations.

4. Our **outreach** will encourage public policy and community involvement that protects and restores the vulnerable and degraded earth as well as oppressed and neglected people. We will be mindful that our personal and collective actions can positively or negatively affect our neighborhood, region, nation and world. We will seek to achieve environmental justice through coalitions and ecumenical partnerships.





Attention Women of the Church!

Join the Presbyterian Women for the 2024-2025 bible study, which meets on the second Wednesday of the month, from September to May, at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall, The bible study this year is titled *Let Justice Roll Down – God’s Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation.*

The study books are on the table outside the church office in the Fellowship Hall. Please pick up your book and either check your name off of the list or add your name to the list. This lets us know who to contact in case of any day or time changes. All are welcome, young and old, whether or not you have participated before!!

Any questions contact Sharon Weakley or Mary Haught.

Thank you!!

STEWARDSHIP

Please remember to send in your pledge cards for the 2025 fiscal year. Pledge cards allow the Finance Committee to estimate the budget for the coming year.

Thank you for your contribution!

NO. _____

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Financial Stewardship Commitment for 20_____

Grateful for God’s love in Jesus Christ, I (we) make the following commitment to support the mission of the church through our congregation.

\$ _____ per week month other _____

(This commitment may be increased or decreased due to changing circumstances)

I (we) wish to receive information about giving through Estate Planning

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Amount of quarterly gift: \$ _____ /4 = \$ _____ (C)

Keep this portion as a record of your financial stewardship commitment for the year 20____.

My (our) financial stewardship commitment \$ _____

per week month other _____

(This commitment may be increased or decreased due to changing circumstances)

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ’s gift. (Eph. 4:7)

20,000	30,000	35,000	40,000	45,000	50,000	55,000	60,000
15,000	43.00	29.00	20.00	17.00	14.00	12.00	9.00

BROWN BAG BOOK STUDY CONTINUES

“Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End”

By Atul Gawande

November 6 & 20 at 11am - Tack Room

In his bestselling books, Atul Gawande, a practicing surgeon, has fearlessly revealed the struggles of his profession. Now he examines its ultimate limitations and failures – in his own practices as well as others’ – as life draws to a close. And he discovers how we can do better. He follows a hospice nurse on her rounds, a geriatrician in his clinic, and reformers turning nursing homes upside down. He finds people who show us how to have the hard conversations and how to ensure we never sacrifice what people really care about.

Atul Gawande

Being Mortal

Medicine and What Matters in the End

Riveting, honest, and humane, *Being Mortal* shows that the ultimate goal is not a good death but a good life – all the way to the very end.

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Don't Forget to Fall Back!



Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday at 2am. Set your clocks back one hour!

Breakfast Buzz

Friday, November 15th
at 9:00 a.m.

Join the Christian Education team
Friday November 15th at 9:00am
in the Fellowship Hall
**for a pot luck breakfast
and some Trail Magic!**

The Appalachian Trail has always been well traveled, and to some, a little mysterious.

Tom and Holly Thomas will tell us what happens on the trail and how the magic happens.

There is more to hiking than one would realize. And from the little I've heard there are Angels on the trail as well.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Please join the Fellowship Team on Sunday, November 24, following worship in the Fellowship Hall, as we come together and give Thanks for each other here at Madison Presbyterian Church.

Sign up sheets will be available soon.



Modern Day **SUPERHEROES WANTED**



Serve the youngest to the eldest

Keep safe and secure

Nurture and train

Step up until EMS arrives to care for the wounded or ill

Step up to help with evacuation in case of emergency

Madison Presbyterian Church needs a few modern day superheroes to watch over the congregants and visitors to our facilities. In order to fill these positions, one must be trained in Basic First Aid, CPR (Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation), and/or AED (Automated External Defibrillator) usage in case of a medical emergency. These are valuable life skills that our heroes can use at home or in the community.

If you are already trained/certified in any or all of these skills, please let us know if you are willing to fill the role of a modern day superhero at Madison Presbyterian Church.

The Madison County Sheriff's Office has agreed to provide free training for up to twelve participants on a Saturday morning in the Fellowship Hall. We would like to schedule this training in October, if possible.

To volunteer or ask questions, please contact Audrey Sarate by phone or text message at 540/ 717-2878 or email at KilldeerAcres@gmail.com

CPR Training in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 2 from 8am- 4pm. The class is already full with 8 participants.

If you are interested in attending a class in the future, please speak with Audrey Sarate.

What Do You Need In A Survival Kit?

At a minimum, you should have the basic supplies listed below.

1. Water: one gallon per person, per day (3-day supply for evacuation, 2-week supply for home)
 2. Food: non-perishable, easy-to-prepare items (3-day supply for evacuation, 2-week supply for home)
 3. Flashlight
 4. Battery-powered or hand-crank radio (NOAA Weather Radio, if possible)
 5. Extra batteries
 6. [First aid kit](#)
 7. Medications (7-day supply) and medical items
 8. Multi-purpose tool
 9. Sanitation and personal hygiene items
 10. Copies of personal documents (medication list and pertinent medical information, proof of address, deed/lease to home, passports, birth certificates, insurance policies)
 11. Cell phone with chargers and battery packs
 12. Family and emergency contact information
 13. Extra cash
 14. Emergency blanket
 15. Map(s) of the area
- Medical supplies (hearing aids with extra batteries, glasses, contact lenses, syringes, etc.)
 - Baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers)
 - Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl)
 - Two-way radios
 - Extra set of car keys and house keys
 - Manual can opener

Depending on the [types of disasters that are common where you live](#), also consider adding these things to your kit:

- After you gather those basic supplies for your kit, add unique things each member of your family may need, such as:
- Games and activities for children
 - Whistle
 - N95 or surgical masks
 - Matches
 - Rain gear
 - Towels
 - Work gloves
 - Tools/supplies for securing your home
 - Extra clothing, hat and sturdy shoes
 - Plastic sheeting
 - Duct tape
 - Scissors
 - Household liquid bleach
 - Entertainment items
 - Blankets or sleeping bags

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Counters November 2024 - January 2025

November	December	January 2025
Dana Edelman	Nick Humphrey	Elizabeth Anne Storey
Art Pearson	Joyce Humphrey	Nancy Preston

The Card Group makes greeting cards for nursing home residents and church members that are home bound, and for other occasions. They meet Fridays (November 1, 8, & 22) in the Fellowship Hall at 10am. All are welcome to join!

Choir Practice meets every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. Please contact Elizabeth Anne Storey with any questions.

Breakfast Buzz meets at 9am on November 15, the third Friday of the month, in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Bobbie Carroll with any questions.

Presbyterian Women meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday (November 13), at 10am in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Group meets each Tuesday at 9am in the Tack Room. All men welcome!

Bible Study discussing the Gospel of Matthew, Part III, meets Thursdays at 10am in the Tack Room. It will continue through November 21, and then resume for Lent on March 6, 2025.

November

Communion Servers and Pew Guides

Berta Storey Mary King

Audrey Sarate Sharon Weakley

Frank King



On Communion Sundays, the first Sunday of each month, **the cups contain only Juice.**

November Liturgists and Greeters

Nov 3	Ruth Miles	Harvey & Corrine Stanley
Nov 10	John Quinley	Mary & Frank King
Nov 17	Jean Pearson	Beverly Bartczak
Nov 24	Nancy Preston	Charles & Sharon Carter



Social Services Needs for Families



Needs of the Month: **NOVEMBER**

Canned vegetables and fruit, soup, rice, dried beans, hot and cold cereals, packages of macaroni and cheese, crackers.

**Please place your donations in the red container in the Fellowship Hall.
Items will be taken to Madison Social Services to help neighbors in need.**

November Birthdays

Holly Thomas 11/01
Jeanne Bruton 11/03
Tommy Berry 11/06
Tom Thomas 11/06
George Carroll 11/08
Dianna Albrect Allen 11/12
Amy Dooley 11/17
Alan Place 11/23
Brett Titman 11/25
Harvey Stanley, Sr 11/28

November Anniversaries

Nan & Dennis Coppedge 11/20 (48 years)

The First Sunday of each month we collect a special offering for **5¢ a Meal**.

Please consider contributing to this worthy cause in the effort to end hunger.



Men's Group

meets each Tuesday at 9:00am in the Tack Room.
Bring your breakfast and enjoy some coffee and conversation.
All men are welcome!

Have something you would like to contribute to the Monthly Newsletter?

Send your articles, pictures, or information to the church office at:
office@madisonpresbyterian.com



Deadline for **December** is **November 22.**

Thank you!

Breakfast Buzzzzzzzzzz

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Brown Bag Book Study

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NOVEMBER 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
October 27 Worship 10am AA 5:30pm	28 Quilt Guild 6:30pm PK Vacation	29 Men's Group 9am PK Vacation	30 Choir Practice 7pm PK Vacation	31 Bible Study 10am Madison Woman's Club 8a-1p	November 1 Madison Woman's Club 8a-1p Card Group 10am	2 CPR Training 8am-4pm
3 Communion Worship 10am Nominating Comm Congregational Mtg AA 5:30pm 	4	5  Men's Group 9am	6 Readiness Team 10am Brown Bag Book Study 11am Choir 7PM	7 Bible Study 10am	8 Card Group 10am	9
10 Worship 10am Mission Team 11am AA 5:30pm	11 Office Closed 	12 Men's Group 9am Session mtg 6:30 pm	13 Presbyterian Women 10am Choir Practice 7pm	14 Bible Study 10am Boys & Girls Club 12pm	15 Breakfast Buzz 9am 	16
17 Worship 10am AA 5:30pm	18 Worship Team Mtg 10am	19 Men's Group 9am Woman's Club 9am-3pm	20 Brown Bag Book Study 11am Choir Prac 7pm Woman's Club 1-8pm	21 Bible Study 10am Garden Club 11am	22 Card Group 10am	23
24 Worship 10am Thanksgiving Fellowship Dinner AA 5:30pm	25 Quilt Guild 6:30pm	26 Men's Group 9am	27 Choir Pract 7pm	28 	29 Card Group 10am	30

All Saints' Day—November 1: Isaiah 25:6–9; Psalm 24:1–10; Revelation 21:1–6a; John 11:32–44

Sunday, November 3 (Proper 26) Semicontinuous: Ruth 1:1–18; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:11–14; Mark 12:28–34
 Complementary: Deuteronomy 6:1–9; Psalm 119:1–8; Hebrews 9:11–14; Mark 12:28–34

Sunday, November 10 (Proper 27) Semicontinuous: Ruth 3:1–5, 4:13–17; Psalm 127; Hebrews 9:24–28; Mark 12:38–44
 Complementary: 1 Kings 17:8–16; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24–28; Mark 12:38–44

Sunday, November 17 (Proper 28) Semicontinuous: 1 Samuel 1:4–20; 1 Samuel 2:1–10; Hebrews 10:11–14 (15–18) 19–25; Mark 13:1–8 / Complementary: Daniel 12:1–3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11–14 (15-18) 19–25; Mark 13:1–8

Sunday, November 24 - Christ the King (or Reign of Christ): Semicontinuous: 2 Samuel 23:1–7; Psalm 132:1–12(13–18), Revelation 1:4b–8; John 18:33–37 / Complementary: Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b–8; John 18:33–37