# The Communicator

# MADISON HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

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# THE PASTOR'S NOTE...

What a Sunday worship service! I'm not sure about you all, but I'm still full of energy and excitement for the opportunities that are before us to celebrate sharing the gospel around the world as we partner with CBF through the Global Missions Offering and the support of our new Encourager Church partners. If you missed the service, or if you've already forgotten how our initial offerings for each will be collected (I get it—it was a LOT of information!), I wanted to use this space this week to make sure we are all on the same page.

Global Missions Offering – From now through Easter, we will collect our Global Missions Offering. We will be doing this at Lent/Easter go forward, because there are already SO many collections going on at Christmas. Plus, what better time to celebrate the sharing of the gospel and supporting it financially then at the time of Jesus' resurrection!? We will collect this offering for three more weeks. There are special envelopes for it around the church, and you can also use the Global Missions Offering envelopes you have in your envelope boxes. Any gifts to this offering will support ALL CBF missionaries around the globe!

**Encourager Church Offering** – This Sunday, March 17, we will take up our first offering to support our new Encourager Church partners – the Hearnes in Danville, VA and the Ackers in Kampala, Uganda. *These offerings are IN ADDITION to our Global Missions Offering*, and will fund the work of these two missionaries that we will build intentional relationships with over the course of the next few years. There will be other opportunities to give to this end, but for now, grab one of the "Encourager Church" envelopes you can find in your Sunday School class, or outside of the sanctuary, and plan to support these partnerships this week!

Finally, we put **Easter Invite postcards** out at the sanctuary entrances. We've already printed and paid for them, so we need to get them out! There are a lot of exciting things coming up in worship in the next few weeks, so now is a great time to invite a friend, neighbor, or coworker to come to church with you to meet the Risen Christ!

It's my great joy to serve as your pastor, and I look forward to walking towards Easter together!

# <u>SUNDAY SERVICES</u>

9:45 A.M. – SUNDAY SCHOOL – There's a class for everyone!

11:00 A.M. – MORNING WORSHIP – Reverend Josh Beeler's sermon is entitled "Jesus' Claim to Fame," Hebrews 5:1-4), 5-10.

The Chancel Choir's anthem is "When Christ Chose the Cross" and there will be special music by the Children's Choir.

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#### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

#### **DEACON OF THE WEEK**

March 17 – 23 Irene White & Caren Jefferson

# **DEACONS SERVING MARCH 17**

Irene White Sharon Walters-Bower
Caren Jefferson Jerry Mayberry
Allen Ashwell Lesley McPhatter

#### **MARCH USHERS**

Steve Owen & Justin Owen

#### **IN THE HOSPITAL**

Kay Layne – VB 5<sup>th</sup> floor Rm 8

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Dear MHBC Family,

Please accept our sincerest thanks for your donation to Neighbors Helping Neighbors of Amherst County in memory of Rovetta. She never liked to see anyone go hungry so your donation to combat food insecurities could not have been more representative of her loving nature. We truly appreciate your love and kindness.

In God's love, Kenneth Ratliff and Family

#### **FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

The menu for the Fellowship Dinner on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> is:

Baked Spaghetti, (Alpha Gal – Turkey Spaghetti) Tossed Salad, Dessert & Beverage

There will be Hot Dogs & Chips for children who don't want spaghetti.

Please sign up on board in the main hallway by Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Building & Grounds Committee will be having a work week, March 25-29, 9:00 a.m. each day. David Bryant has a to do list but if anyone has any requests you can let him know.

#### March 10, 2024

Budget Envelopes\$	7,772.00
(Weekly Budget Needs \$9199.06)	
Plate Offering\$	450.00
Designated Offering\$	145.00
Miscellaneous Receipts\$	.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT\$	8,367.00

#### FIND US FAITHFUL - \$145.00

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#### **MARCH WOM MISSION PROJECT**

We will be collecting undergarments for ACPS Sizes needed are Youth Small - Adult Medium. Most needed are for females.

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For the month of March we will be collecting Spaghetti and Meat Sauce.

#### FINAL UNION LENTEN SERVICE

March 20 – Madison Heights Baptist Church – Reverend David Garrison, speaker The Thief Gives Nothing – Luke 23:32-43

Meal to follow service

### **MUSIC & WORSHIP ARTS CAMP**

**WHAT:** A week-long camp at Eagle Eyrie with creative workshops exploring ways to express our faith through the arts, such as music, watercolor, drama, dance, etc. There is also plenty of free time to use the pool, gaga ball pit, arcade, and coffee house/ice cream parlor.

WHEN: Monday, July 15 – Friday, July 19, 2024

WHERE: Eagle Eyrie Conference Center

**WHO:** Tweens and teens **currently active** in MHBC's Children's Choir or Youth Praise, and have completed at least the 4<sup>th</sup> grade (up through 12<sup>th</sup> grade eligible)

**HOW MUCH:** \$175.00 per camper! (music budget will cover the balance plus food and chaperones)

\$75.00 deposit to secure reservation by March 30.

MORE INFO: See Catherine

#### **MEALS ON WHEELS**

Thank you to those who will be delivering Meals on Wheels Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.

