



MADISON HEIGHTS  
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the  
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## FAITH THROUGH YOUNG EYES

It was a week full of winter sports-themed games! I encouraged children to throw snowballs in worship. I hosted sled race relays, cross country skiing relays, and wore hockey jerseys outside in 90-degree weather. But alongside the winter sports were summer festivities as well. I launched hundreds of water balloons at kids playing games. I supervised (and went down multiple times) a two-story inflatable water slide. I filled up on popsicles, sandwiches, and lemonade. In so many ways, it was a week to be a kid again at Vacation Bible School!

But as you know, it was of course so much more than that. I watched kids memorize Philippians 4:13, and recount the details of multiple stories in the Bible that remind them of God's love for us that gives us strength in trying situations. I saw adults give their time and effort to love kids in the name of Jesus at almost a 1:1 ratio! I received the blessing of a "prayer prank" where kids came and left me notes of prayer throughout my office—went tons of balloons alongside of course! And I witnessed kids come together to raise about \$1200 to bless people through the Helping Hands ministry! VBS isn't just a week to be a kid—**it's a week to LEARN from kids again how to be a joy-filled disciple of Jesus**. Thank you to everyone who gave time, effort, and resources to make it happen—it was a great week.

AND, it was a week that culminated in a substantial milestone for our own family—Sunday, June 28 was the 5-year anniversary of our adoption of Jayden and Brody! As anyone who has watched kids grow up knows, looking back on those early photos with the boys is incredible in regard to the changes they've gone through. And to be sure, we've been through all sorts of milestones, storms, and accomplishments! But days like this remind me to pause, and have some perspective not just from my own eyes, but from theirs. One of the great joys of having kids, and sharing life with kids, is the opportunity to see the world through their eyes. To remember what it was like to discover truths, to walk through struggles, and to deal with challenges. Kids offer us perspective we've often forgotten for experiencing life—and specifically life with Jesus.

Of course, we are trying to keep the emphasis on faith lived alongside children front and center with our Sermon Series this summer too—All-Time Bible Classics! For the next two Sundays, our family will be on vacation, so I'm excited for Rev. Amy Hall and Paul Dakin to lead you in worship and bring a word on Zaccheus and Joseph! These are beloved stories among our children, and I imagine they have something to teach us as adults still as well—if we are but willing to see!

Thank you for all the ways you support our church, care for our community, and love me and my family. As always, it is my joy to serve as your pastor. **-Josh**

### SUNDAY MORNING

9:45 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL  
11:00 AM - MORNING WORSHIP

### SPECIAL ELEMENTS

Rev. Amy Hall | "All Time Bible Classics" series  
"Zaccheus" | Luke 19:1-10  
Chancel Choir |  
"New Name Written Down in Glory"

## CHURCH LIFE

### DEACONS OF THE WEEK

July 5 Irene White & Beth Freeman

### DEACONS SERVING JULY 5

|              |                  |
|--------------|------------------|
| David Bryant | Marvin Hensley   |
| Mike Garrett | Ann Irvin        |
| Luke Hamel   | Marvin Jefferson |

### DEACONS FOR HOME COMMUNION

|                  |              |
|------------------|--------------|
| J.C. Fore        | Irene White  |
| John Grieser     | Beth Freeman |
| Carl LaFerney    | Jesse Staton |
| Lesley McPhatter | Steve Owen   |

### JUNE 28, 2026 OFFERINGS

|                                         |             |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Budget Envelopes.....                   | \$ 4,386.00 |
| <b>(Weekly Budget Needs \$9,424.06)</b> |             |
| Plate Offering.....                     | \$ 143.00   |
| Designated Offering.....                | \$ 2,505.00 |
| Miscellaneous.....                      | \$ .00      |
| TOTAL DEPOSIT.....                      | \$ 7,034.00 |
| Find Us Faithful.....                   | \$ 110.00   |

## FELLOWSHIP

### SUMMER BIBLE STUDY



Wednesdays at 7:00pm  
July 1, 8, 29, and August 5

**MUSIC & WORSHIP  
ARTS CAMP  
JULY 13-17, 2026**



## MISSIONS

### CHRISTMAS CHEER BASKETS

Macaroni & Cheese

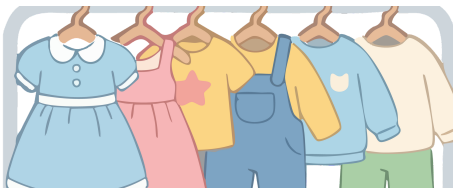


### WOMEN ON MISSION

Helping with **Mission Serve**  
and

### **Klothes 4 Kids**

Setting up and Working Sale  
at Randolph Memorial Baptist Church  
**July 31 - August 1**



Shopping for Boys Size 7 / 8 (jeans/joggers,  
shirts, and boxer style underwear)

School supplies can include:

#2 pencils, erasers, wide rule paper,  
backpacks, blunt scissors, marble  
composition books, gluesticks/elmers  
glue, dry erase boards/markers,  
headphones, crayola crayons, colored  
pencils, washable markers, pencil  
sharpeners/boxes/pouches, pocket folders,  
and 1" or 2" 3-ring notebooks.

## MISSIONSERVE

**JULY 19-25**

Visit the Church Facebook to find the  
signup sheet to help daily with  
cleaning!