

MADISON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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Welcome to Madison Church! We are glad you have joined us today. We are here to worship the great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who died for our sins that we may have forgiveness, and who rose from the dead that we may have blessed lives here and eternal life hereafter!

If you are a guest, we are especially glad to have you. Make yourself at home! Our prayer is that you will sense the love of God and the love of God's people. If you have questions or concerns, please speak with any of our people. We will be glad to talk with you. After our worship service, we will enjoy a meal together called a SALAD (Sunday Afternoon Lunch and Devotion) in our gymnasium downstairs. We hope you will attend.

Upcoming Events

SALAD	Today	Gym
R & D Group	Resumes in new year	
Candlelight Service	December 24, 6:00	Church
Wednesday Bible Study	December 31, cancelled	

Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Children's Class (ages pre-K–1st grade)

Children's Class (6th grade–up) - By Copy Room

Adult I - Room 216 Adult II - Room 214

Ladies' Class - Conference Room

Children's Class (2^d–5th grade) - Room 212

Children's Church – 10:45 AM

Madison Catechism

WHAT HAPPENED AFTER JESUS DIED AND WAS BURIED?

On the third day Jesus rose from the grave, never to die again (Luke 24:1–8). This rising is called the resurrection.

Sundays

Sunday School	9:30 AM
Morning Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday Afternoon	Lunch Noon

Wednesdays

Adults	6:30 PM
Youth	6:30 PM
Children	6:30 PM

Our SALAD (Sunday Afternoon Lunch and Devotion) today will be in the gym. This week's menu is variety of casseroles. Feel free to bring your favorite casserole, desserts, and drinks. Everyone is invited.

The condolences of our congregation are extended to the Hawkins family over the passing of Victoria's aunt, Michelle Pritchett. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Thanks to Mike and Beth Rogers, Dianna Walls, and Rodney and Mary Yerby who all hosted Christmas parties in recent days. Your hospitality is much appreciated!

Thanks to our youngsters who played their instruments during our SALAD last Sunday. You all did a great job! Those playing included Seth Ford, Alora Friesen, Rainy Friesen, Abigail Morgan, Clara Morgan, Emma Morgan, and Ryne Puckett.

As our Christmas focus this year, our ladies are adopting Denny, Matthew and Arry Puckett's foster child. This precious, little fellow is growing, and his needs are increasing as he develops. We want to partner with Matthew and Arry to help provide for those needs. A registry is being set up, or donations may be given to Mary Yerby or Beth Rogers. Thanks for your help with this ministry.

The **Reading and Discussion Group (R & D Group)** just wrapped up its focus on C. S. Lewis's book, *The Great Divorce*. If you are interested in being a part of this group, let Mitchell Moody (919-724-0070) know. Early in 2026 we will begin Randy Alcorn's *Heaven: A Comprehensive Guide to Everything the Bible Says about Our Eternal Home*. The church will provide all participants with a free copy.

All are invited to our Wednesday night Bible study. We begin at 6:30. The adult class includes a song, prayer time, and a study of Scripture. We are currently examining the lives of Isaac and Jacob. We dismiss about 7:30.

On Wednesday, December 24, at 6:00 P.M. we will gather in our sanctuary for our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. The service is brief (perhaps thirty minutes), so don't be late. We will sing, read Scripture, reflect on the coming of our Lord Jesus, pray, and light candles in our darkened sanctuary to remind us of the coming of our great Light. Please join us for this special occasion.

We just wrapped up another round of our **Introduction to the Church class**. If you are interested in attending its next cycle, let me know, and I'll print up curriculum for you. The class meets during Sunday school (9:30–10:15) in my office. We expect the new class to kick off January 11. Pastor Paul (615-506-7913)

Sunday School Refreshments—Mike and Rick's class is providing refreshments for December.

Don't forget your mailbox! Your personal church mailbox is in the front office (Room 203), and we frequently put church announcements, cards, and other items in these boxes.