

# The View

Madison Presbyterian Church

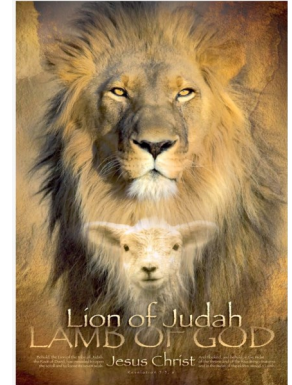
March 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ –

In like a lion, out like a lamb...

In like the Lion of Judah, out like the Lamb of God...

We march forth, through the rest of Lent, to the Son rise of Easter, knowing that its coming – looking forward to spring flowers and hallelujahs. To everything there is a season...



What season of your life are you in? Do you feel a sense of calling from God? Is it a time for rest, a time for leadership, a time to care for others, a time to deepen your walk?

One of the outstanding things about God's church at Madison is that a way is made for all these things, no matter where you are in your journey. We all go through seasons. It's never too early to heed God's call to the next right thing, and never too late.

You are prized, you are loved, you are created for a purpose. The great gift of Easter is the assurance that you are so valuable, so precious to God, that he went to the cross for you – so that one day you can go home to him.

As we come to the time we will rejoice in new life – I encourage you to consider what may need renewal in you, and allow God to plant a garden in your heart that will overflow with love to the neighborhoods you find yourself in day to day. You are part of The Way for someone else.

Be a Blessing,

*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.



**In the Office** M, Tu, 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.

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



## Heidi Piper, Church Administrator

I am in the office 8:00am - 1:00pm Monday through Thursday. Please leave me a message on the phone or send an email if there's anything I can help with. If you have changes to your Address, Phone, or Email please send updated information to [office@madisonpresbyterian.com](mailto:office@madisonpresbyterian.com).



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



## Madison Presbyterian Church

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

# LENT 2024

## Sundays of Lent

*Sermon Series based on  
"The Hope of Glory" by John Meacham*

### **Third Lent 3/3**

"Woman, Behold Thy Son!  
Behold Thy Mother!"  
*(Communion Served)*

### **Fourth Lent 3/10**

"My God, my God,  
Why Hast Thou Forsaken Me?"

### **Fifth Lent 3/17**

"I Thirst"

## Holy Week

**3/24 Palm Sunday**  
"It Is Finished."

## Good Friday

**Friday, March 29**  
Sanctuary 6:30  
"Father Into Thy Hands  
I Commend My Spirit"  
*Communion*

## Easter Sunday

**The Resurrection of the Lord**  
**March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024**  
*Communion*



## **Book Study Through Lent**

**"Hallelujah Anyway:**

**On Hallowing One's Diminishments"**

*continuing until Wed/Thurs March 20/21.*

**Wednesday Evenings 6:00pm or  
Thursday mornings 10:00am**

THE SEASON OF **Lent**



**PRAY**



**FAST**



**GIVE**



## Breakfast Buzzzzzzzzzz



### GOT DRUGS?

**Join us Friday, March 15th at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. Following breakfast, our speaker, John Seymour, will talk about the current situation in the world of medications, pharmacies, and why are we paying so much for our essential prescriptions.**

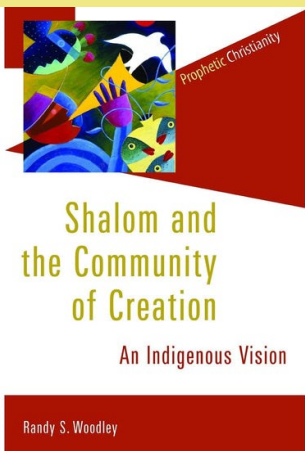
John Seymour, RPh received his B.S. in Pharmacy from Medical College of Virginia/VCU School of Pharmacy in 1983. In 2005, John ventured into the world of independent pharmacy after working for various corporations for 22 years. John currently co-owns, with Willie Lamar, two stores: Orange Pharmacy and Elkton Family Pharmacy. He also owns Your Gordonsville Pharmacy. He has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Virginia Pharmacists Association and has been, and continues to be, legislatively active to further healthcare and the profession of pharmacy over the years, and has been an advocate for pharmacists and patient care. He was most recently interviewed by the national news about the current drug shortage and how it is affecting patients and pharmacies. John has been active in local and state associations over the years; working on the PBM task force, and several DMAS groups. He serves on the Pharmacy Liaison Committee and serves on the VPHA finance committee.

As a pharmacist at all three pharmacies, he is actively involved in immunizations, glucose monitoring, patient education and counseling, Medicare D counseling, MTM, and community outreach. John has a passion for his patients and promoting independent pharmacy. To that end, he has served for many years as Chairman of the Academy of Independent Pharmacists and been a National Advisor for the buying group Compliant Pharmacy Alliance and mentors with other independent pharmacies to improve their businesses.

John and his wife, Mary, live in Ruckersville Virginia. They have two adult sons. In his spare time, he enjoys time with family and friends, disc golf, traveling, hiking, and sports.



### Brown Bag Book Study



We meet the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 11 am in the Tack Room. Our new book is *Shalom and the Community of Creation (An Indigenous Vision)* by Randy S. Woodley. (We began discussions on February 21 and will continue through June.)

**We welcome any and all who would like to join us!**

Contact Bobbie Carroll if you have any questions. 540-948-9922

## Attention Women of the Church!



Join the Presbyterian Women for the 2023-2024 bible study, which meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. The bible study this year is titled Sacred Encounters - The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke - Acts. 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, whether or not you have participated before!! Any questions contact Sharon Weakley.

Thank you!!

### 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.



## Counters March 2023 - May 2024

### March

Heidi Sage

Allan McLearen

### April

Dana Edelman

Art Pearson

### May

Nick Humphrey

Joyce Humphrey

**The Card Group** makes greeting cards for nursing home residents and church members that are home bound, and for other occasions. They meet Fridays (March 1, 8, 22, and 29) in the Fellowship Hall at 10am. All are welcome to join!

**The Brown Bag Book Study** meets the 1st (3/6) and 3rd (3/20) Wednesdays at 11AM. If you have any questions, please contact Bobbie Carroll at 540-948-9922.

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

**Breakfast Buzz** meets on the third Friday, March 15th, at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall.

**Presbyterian Women** meet the 2nd Wednesday (3/13) each month at 10am in the Fellowship Hall.

**Lenten Study** continues on Wednesdays at 6pm in the Tack Room and Thursdays at 10am in the Fellowship Hall).  
*Please see pages 3 & 4 for more information.*

### March

#### Communion Servers and Pew Guides

Art Pearson      Tim Woodward

Audrey Sarate      Clarissa Berry

Heidi Sage



On Communion Sundays,  
the first Sunday of each month,  
**the outside ring is Wine,**  
**the inside is Juice.**

March	Liturgists	and	Greeters
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March 3	Jan McKinney		Corrine & Harvey Stanley
March 10	Art Pearson		Ruth Miles
March 17	Tim Woodward		Bill & Ann Tidball
March 24	Nancy Preston		The Dooley Family
March 31	Mary King		Charles & Sharon Carter



### Social Services Needs for Families for March

#### Needs of the Month: Families

**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.**





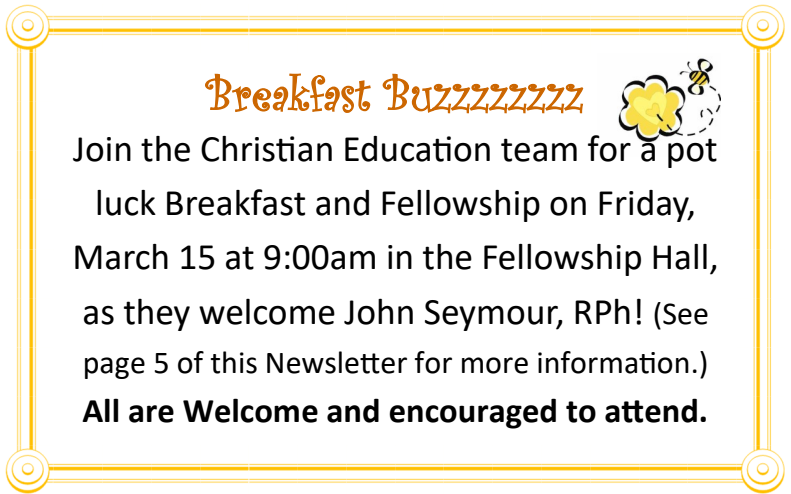
### March Birthdays

- Bill Pattie III 03/04
- Heidi Rees 03/06
- Allen McLearn 03/07
- Heidi Piper 03/08
- Sharon Weakley 03/09
- Sandra Powell 03/12
- Sue Strahan 03/16
- Bettie Berry 03/17
- Rachel Strahan 03/21
- Joyce Humphrey 03/22
- Wilma Myers 03/23
- Cindy Pattie 03/25



### March Anniversaries

- Holly & Tom Thomas 03/01 44 years
- George & Bobbie Carroll 03/07 54 years
- Nick & Joyce Humphrey 03/26 60 years
- Valerie & Jose Cruz 03/29 49 years



### Breakfast Buzzzzzzzzzz

Join the Christian Education team for a pot luck Breakfast and Fellowship on Friday, March 15 at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall, as they welcome John Seymour, RPh! (See page 5 of this Newsletter for more information.)  
**All are Welcome and encouraged to attend.**



SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
 ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

### IN A WORLD OF DISASTER, HUNGER, AND OPPRESSION...

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People
- all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

**The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected on Easter Sunday. Please give generously!**

*For more information, see Frank King, chair of Mission and Outreach.*



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# MARCH 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
February 25, 2024	26 Quilt Guild	27	28 Lenten Study 6pm Choir 7pm	29 Lenten Study 10am	March 1 Card Group 10am	2
3 Communion Worship 10am AA 5:30pm	4	5	6 Book Club 11am Lenten Study 6pm Choir 7pm	7 Lenten Study 10am	8 Card Group 10am	9 Friends of Appalachia 9am - 1pm
10 Worship 10am AA 5:30pm	11 Quilt Guild 6:30pm	12 Session 6:30pm	13 Pres Women 10am Lenten Study 6pm Choir 7pm	14 Lenten Study 10am (Sanctuary) Garden Club 9am (Fellowship Hall)	15 Breakfast Buzz 9am	16 Grounds Cleanup & Pruning 9am
17 Worship 10am AA 5:30pm	18	19	20 Book Club 11am Woman's Club 1p Lenten Study 6pm Choir 7pm Woman's Club 7p	21 Lenten Study 10a Garden Club 11a Woman's Club 5p	22 Woman's Club 8am (Fellow Hall) Card Group 10am (Tack Rm)	23
24 Worship 10am AA 5:30pm	25 Quilt Guild	26	27 Choir 7pm	28 Maundy Thursday	29 Good Friday Card Group 10am	30 Rain date Grounds Cleanup & Pruning 9am
31 Worship 10am AA 5:30pm Easter Sunday	April 1	2	3 Book Clup 11am	4	5 Card Group 10am	6

←————— Pastor Karen on Vacation —————→  
 Heidi on Vacation (office closed)  
 Choir 7pm

**March 3 - Third Sunday of Lent:** Psalm 19; John 2:13-22

**March 10 - Fourth Sunday of Lent :** Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22; John 3:14-21

**March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent:** Psalm 51: 1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16; John 12:20-33

**March 24 - Palm Sunday:** *Liturgy of the Palms* - Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16;

*Liturgy of the Passion* - Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15: 1-39 (40-47)

**March 29 - Good Friday:** John 13:1-17, 31b-35; Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22:1-31; John 18:1-19:42

**March 31 - Easter Sunday/Resurrection of the Lord:** Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8