



City Road Chapel
United Methodist Church
Madison, Tennessee

May 17, 2026

Ascension Sunday

3rd Sunday

*We invite you to silence your phones before the start of worship.
Please stand during the sections marked with an **

Gathering

Lighting of the Candles – Acolytes

** Please stand*

Welcome and Ministry Updates

The Chapel Chronicle Headline Highlights:

- Church calendar
- Prayer requests
- Birthdays/Anniversaries

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Praise

***The Call to Worship**

Leader:

Jesus presented himself alive with many convincing proofs.

Congregation:

He is Risen! He is with us.

Leader:

He has commanded us to wait for the gift the Father promised.

Congregation:

Come Holy Spirit. Fill us with your power.

Leader:

John baptized with water, but we shall be baptized with the spirit.

All:

Let us worship the Lord and wait upon Him!

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Songs of Praise

- ♪ **All Hail King Jesus** - 2069 - The Faith We Sing
- ♪ **How Majestic Is Your Name** - 2023 - The Faith We Sing
- ♪ **We Will Glorify the King of Kings** - 2087 - TFWS
- ♪ **All Your Anxiety** - (on screen)

***Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified dead and buried;
The third day he rose from the dead,
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen

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***Giving Glory to God (The Gloria Patri)**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to
the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is
now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.

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Listening for God to Speak

Acts 1:1-5

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all
that Jesus did and taught from the beginning
until the day when he was taken up to heaven,
after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit
to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his
suffering, he presented himself alive to them by

many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

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The Word in Song *Jim Neely*

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The Word Proclaimed *Pastor Rena Knight*

"What's Next! After the Ascension"

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Invitation to Christ

Hymn of Response

♪ **Change My Heart, O God** - 2152 - The Faith We Sing

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Tithes and Offering Stewards

Celebrating God's Gifts

Our mission to serve God and share His love in Madison is supported by the faithful generosity of our members and friends. Your gifts help feed the hungry, care for neighbors, nurture children and youth, and keep our church a welcoming place. Offerings may be given during worship or online at www.cityroadchapel.org/give.

***Giving Thanks for God's Gift**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen*

Prayers of the Community

Please wait for a microphone so everyone can hear you clearly - including our online viewers.

- ▶ Sharing of Joys & Concerns
- ▶ The Prayers of the People
- ▶ The Lord's Prayer

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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Our Choral Benediction

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
And we pray that our unity will one day be restored
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love

Yeah they'll know we are Christians by our love

We will work with each other, we will work side by side

We will work with each other, we will work side by side

And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love

Yeah, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

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Welcome to City Road!

We're so glad you're here today and pray that this time of worship encourages your heart, refreshes your spirit, and draws you closer to God and to one another. Whether you are visiting for the first time or have been part of our church family for many years, we are grateful to share this time of worship and fellowship with you.

If you're new to City Road Chapel, we would love the opportunity to meet you. Please feel free to introduce yourself after the service. We invite you to visit one of our Sunday School classes as a wonderful way to get to know our church family better.

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