



City Road Chapel
United Methodist Church
Madison, Tennessee

September 6, 2026

1st 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:

Teacher, what good thing must we do to have eternal life?

Congregation:

We look to God, for only One is truly good.

Leader:

Jesus calls us to love our neighbors, keep His commandments, and follow Him with an undivided heart.

Congregation:

**It is hard to let go of the things of this world,
and our possessions often weigh us down.**

Leader:

What is impossible for mortals is possible with God.
He offers us treasure in heaven and grace that
frees our souls.

All:

**Come, let us worship the Lord, releasing our
burdens to find true life in Him! AMEN.**

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Songs of Praise

♪ *Blessed Be the Name of the Lord* (on screen)

♪ *O Worship the King* - 73 - UMH (Verses 1,3,4,5)

♪ *I'll Fly Away* - 2282 - The Faith We Sing

♪ *Awesome in this Place* (on screen)

*** A Time of Confession and Pardon**

Merciful God,

**We confess that we have not loved You with
our whole heart.**

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will.

We have broken your law.

We have rebelled against your love.

We have not loved our neighbors,

And we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Take a moment of silence to confess your
personal sins to God.*

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while
we were yet sinners; That proves God's love
toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ you are
forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ you are
forgiven!**

Glory to God. 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

Matthew 19:16-24

Then someone came to him and said, 'Teacher,
what good deed must I do to have eternal life?'
And he said to him, 'Why do you ask me about
what is good? There is only one who is good. If

you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments.' He said to him, 'Which ones?' And Jesus said, 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; Honour your father and mother; also, You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' The young man said to him, 'I have kept all these; what do I still lack?' Jesus said to him, 'If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When the young man heard this word, he went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'Truly I tell you, it will be hard for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.'

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

Thanks be to God.

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The Word in Song

Brian Hanson

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The Word Proclaimed

Pastor Rena Knight
"Godunaire"

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Invitation to Christ

Coming to the Table

Communion Stewards

The table of our Lord is open to all persons who are seeking after the presence of God in their lives.

The Great Thanksgiving Page 13 - UMH

The Sharing of the Meal

As you come forward for communion, you are welcome, if you choose, to leave a special offering to support neighbors in need on the altar rail. ***The bread is gluten-free.*

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Hymn of Response

♪ **Where He Leads Me** - 338 - UMH (Verses 1,4)

Tithes and Offering Stewards

Celebrating God's Gifts

Offerings may be placed in the collection during worship, or you can give 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*

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Prayers of the Community

Please wait for the microphone - and remember to say your name so everyone will know you.

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

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

SPIRIT SONG

Oh let the Son of God, enfold you
With His Spirit and His love
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul
Oh let Him have the things that hold you
And His Spirit, like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Chorus:

Jesus, oh Jesus
Come and fill Your lambs
Jesus, oh Jesus
Come and fill Your lambs

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Welcome to City Road!

We're so glad you're here today! We hope you feel at home, find encouragement in our worship, and experience the love of God and the warmth of this church family. If you are new, please introduce yourself so we can get to know you!