



# Madison Square Church

*United in Christ as a Diverse Community*



## **Madison Place Breaks Ground**

Some of the interior demolition has already taken place with your help. The heavy demolition and construction by Pinnacle Construction will begin soon. Join us for a Ground Breaking Celebration after the morning services today (1 p.m.). We'll also enjoy a potluck lunch together during this time, so please bring a dish to pass according to the first letter of your last name: A-K main dish, L-S side dish, T-Z dessert.

**February 28, 2010**

- ◆ standUP! Celebration
- ◆ Newcomers' Class
- ◆ Men Needed

Our Vision: To build a community of diverse people who are being transformed by Christ.



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## ◆ Welcome Guests

We're glad you're worshipping with us today. Invite a friend or neighbor to our 8:30, 10, or 11:30 a.m. services At the Square or 10 a.m. At Ford. We have plenty of room for new faces.

Questions about Madison? Please call the church office Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 245-7791. For more information, go to [www.madisonsquarechurch.org](http://www.madisonsquarechurch.org).

## ◆ Worship

### Morning

1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1

"Real Freedom"

Square teaching by Pastor Dave

Ford teaching by Pastor Cisco

### Evening

Psalm 40

"Wait"

Teaching by Pastor Dave

Worship at 8:30, 10, 11:30 a.m. at the Square; 10 a.m. at Ford

## S.O.A.P. Bible Study

### "Real Freedom"

**S=Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1

**O=Observation:** After carefully reading this text, answer the following questions: What is the main theme of these verses? Why is the meat offered to idols such a big deal in this church? What does verse 31 have to do with the flow of thought in Paul's advice? Is Paul recommending people-pleasing in verse 33? If not, what is the difference between people-pleasing and what Paul is recommending? How does seeking the good of others bring freedom? Why would Paul think of Christ when he is dealing with these issues of freedom and people-pleasing? What might Matthew 18:1-3 have to do with what Paul is teaching here?

**A=Application:** Who in your life needs to be served? How can you become more self-forgetful and more like Christ?

**P=Prayer:** Write out a prayer based on your meditation on this passage:

#### Daily Devotionals

Mon.: Psalm 24

Tues.: Acts 10

Wed.: Colossians 3:15-17

Thurs.: Ephesians 5:15-21

Fri.: 1 Peter 2

Sat.: 1 Corinthians 4:14-21

Sun.: 1 Corinthians 11:11-33

# 1 Corinthians

## 10:23-11:1 (TNIV)

<sup>23</sup> "I have the right to do anything," you say—but not everything is beneficial. "I have the right to do anything"—but not everything is constructive. <sup>24</sup> No one should seek their own good, but the good of others. <sup>25</sup> Eat anything sold in the meat market without raising questions of conscience, <sup>26</sup> for, "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it." <sup>27</sup> If an unbeliever invites you to a meal and you want to go, eat whatever is put before you without raising questions of conscience. <sup>28</sup> But if someone says to you, "This has been offered in sacrifice," then do not eat it, both for the sake of the one who told you and for the sake of conscience. <sup>29</sup> I am referring to the other person's conscience, not yours. For why is my freedom being judged by another's conscience? <sup>30</sup> If I take part in the meal with thankfulness, why am I denounced because of something I thank God for? <sup>31</sup> So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. <sup>32</sup> Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God— <sup>33</sup> even as I try to please everyone in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved.

<sup>1</sup> Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.

## ◆ Today

### Nursery

For newborn through 3 years old at 8:30, 10, and 11:30 a.m. downstairs.

### Kindergarten and Preschool Ministry

Downstairs in Room 104-105 at 8:30 and 10 a.m. There is no 11:30 a.m. session.

### Children's Church (8:30 and 11:30 a.m.) Sunday School (10 a.m.)

1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders meet in the MultiPurpose Room.

### Special Needs Ministry

Trained staff provides your child with one-on-one attention in Room 314. Call Ken at 245-7791 ext. 214 for reservations.

### High School Sunday School

10 a.m. in Room 203.

### Men's Addiction Recovery

Meets at 8:30 a.m. in Room 307.

### High School Youth Group: 5 to 7 p.m.

## ◆ This Week at Madison

Children's Praise Dance: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Mon.

Adult Praise Dance: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Mon.

Drum Circle: 6:30-8 p.m. Mon.

Madison Girls: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mon. for 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade girls

Cadets: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tues. for 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade boys

Men's Addiction Recovery: 8-9 p.m. Tues.

Men's Bible Study: 8-9 p.m. Tues.

Fresh Fire Prayer Service: 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wed.; noon Thurs.

Madison Moms: 9-11 a.m. Wed.

Women's Addiction Recovery: 7-9 p.m. Wed.

Middle School Youth Group: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thurs. Jason Botbyl will share his testimony with us. God has moved mightily in the life of this man of God. Come on out to hear how.

## Bulletin Redesign

We're redesigning the layout of the bulletin. Check out a sample of the new layout inserted in today's bulletin. Also be aware that you can find information about regular weekday ministries at the Information Center and on our web calendar.

## ◆ Our Giving

Today's morning offerings:

1. General Fund
2. Deacons' Fund

This evening's offering:

Oakdale Neighbors

Next week's morning offerings:

1. General Fund
2. Christian Education

Next week's evening offering:

Volunteers In Service

## standUP! Celebration

March 14, our church family will celebrate the faith commitments of children and teens who want to go public and standUP! for their faith. We will celebrate at all morning services with testimonies and baptisms. Invite a friend and join us for this great celebration.

## Newcomers' Class

If you're new to Madison and wonder what makes us unique, check out the one-day Newcomers' Class March 20 for Madison At the Square and Madison At Ford. This will be a combined class with breakouts for each site. Madison At Ford will also be starting its own five-week class beginning April 11.

## Men Needed

The Cadet leaders would like to invite all dads of participating Cadet boys or any other men who are interested to come from 7 to 8:30 p.m. March 2 to help young boys build their pinewood derby cars. For more details, call Ken Schripsema at 245-7791 ext. 214.

## ◆ Our Ministries

### Madison Choir Concert

Please join us at our evening service on Mar. 14 for a Madison choir concert. Come be blessed and worship God.

### Grace Race Disciplines

If you did not receive a copy of the Grace Race Disciplines, the list of things to do during Lent to keep you spiritually strong, please ask for one at the Information Center or download from our website under the sermon series link.

### New Community Living Conversation

The next meeting will be 6 to 9 p.m. Mar. 18 in Room 305-306. Dinner will be served. We'll have part two of our discussion about transracial adoption. If you are in a transracial adoptive family, or if you are considering it, you'll want to be a part of this conversation.

### Madison At the Y

Pastor Cisco is looking for a good used drum set and mixing board for Madison At the Y gathering events. For more information, contact Pastor Cisco at (616) 745-2875 or [cisco.gonzalez@madisonsquarechurch.org](mailto:cisco.gonzalez@madisonsquarechurch.org).

### Ford Meals

Tala and Valerie Sakala and Sam and Michele Williamson recently gave birth to babies. Are you willing to provide a meal while they adjust to their new life together? Please contact Brad Knetsch at [brad.knetsch@madisonsquarechurch.org](mailto:brad.knetsch@madisonsquarechurch.org) or 245-7791 ext. 207.

### Worshipping Well

If you feel a Holy Spirit nudge to lead worship, we encourage you to attend our upcoming workshops for potential leaders and those who wish to grow in leading. We'll meet in the sanctuary from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Feb., March, and April. For more information, email Audrey at [audrey.laniga@madisonsquarechurch.org](mailto:audrey.laniga@madisonsquarechurch.org).

### Soul Pantry

The Soul Pantry has books Jim Martin brought along when he spoke at Madison Jan. 24. The price is \$11 each with \$10 going back to IJM. The Soul Pantry also pays the sales tax. Thank you for helping us support IJM.

### Deacons

Marques Beene has resigned from his position as a Deacon due to a need and desire to focus more on his family.

## ◆ Joys and Concerns

Thanks to everyone who attended the women's retreat, the prayers that went up for the retreat, all those who offered to give so others could attend, and each person who served to make the Women's Retreat come to fruition.

Madison At the Y thanks God for the 25 people who participated in the J.A.M. on Saturday. Please pray for our first mission project, serving at In the Image from noon to 3 p.m. March 20.

Prayer servants are available after the service at the altar. You may also pray privately in the Prayer Room off the Lobby.

If you have prayer requests for the prayer chain, contact Marty Meyne at [meynman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:meynman@sbcglobal.net) or 241-5027.

## Prayer Request Form

Please check. I would like to:

- Give my life to Christ  
 Recommit my life to Christ

Please Pray for: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to have your request in:

- The Bulletin  
 The confidential Prayer Chain

If you would like us to, how can we best reach you? \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please tear off and place in the offering basket. You may also call Paula Seales at 245-7791 ext. 212.