

Dear Madison Family,

We regret to inform you that as of May 20, Anthony Dickerson resigned as Executive Director of Ministries. Anthony is a man of Christian character and there are no moral or character concerns. Pastor Dave and Anthony have lately come to a mutual agreement that some of their priorities for church leadership were quite different from each other. Anthony gave his heart and soul to our ministry over the past two years. We thank him for his service to us. We wish him and his family well. Please pray for the Dickersons as they seek God for next steps in their life. The church has provided them with a transitional severance package for three months. We pray as we move forward that God will give us grace to continue without Anthony's presence and leadership. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dave at pastor.dave@madisonsquarechurch.org.

WELCOME

May 30, 2010

MORNING WORSHIP

Square: 8:30, 10, 11:30 am
Ford: 10 am

Growing Gospel-Centered Children

Colossians 3:12-21

Square: Pastor Joy Bonnema

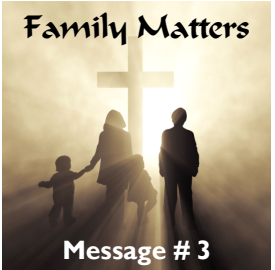
Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Ford: Pastor Brad Knetsch

OUR GIVING

Today: General Fund and Deacons' Fund

Next Week: General Fund and Christian Education



EVENING WORSHIP

Square: 6 pm

Soul Revival

Psalms 145

Square: Paula Seales

OUR GIVING

Today: Health Intervention Services

Next Week: Mel Trotter Mission

GET IN TOUCH!

Madison Square Church

Monday - Friday, 9:30 am - 5 pm 616.245.7791

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One Church in Many Locations: Madison at Ford and Madison at the Square

UNITED IN CHRIST AS A DIVERSE COMMUNITY



Colossians 3:12-21

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¹²Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Instructions for Christian Households

¹⁸Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

¹⁹Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

²⁰Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

²¹Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.

FAMILY MATTERS STAGE SET for May 9 - June 6

God designed us to live in relationship with one another. The woven wall tapestries on either side of the cross with intertwining strands represent our lives beautifully weaving in and through one another, relying on our relationship with our heavenly Father for his strength and wisdom.

YOU ASKED FOR IT! UPCOMING SERIES

Our summer series will explore tough questions about God and faith. E-mail Audrey at audrey.laniga@madisonsquarechurch.org by June 20 with your questions. No question is too tough!

RESTORERS JOB OPENING

Restorers, our partner ministry with the neighborhood, is seeking a new **Economic Empowerment Coordinator**. 3-5 years experience and an ability to work in a diverse environment are required. A bachelor's degree in social work or public administration is a plus. Send resume to: Restorers Inc., 1413 Madison Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49507 or info@restorersinc.org. For info, call Sandra Hardy at 243-1984 x21.

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 3:12-21

OBSERVE

In verse 12, note the 3 ways that Paul addresses the Colossians. These descriptors are particularly startling when seen in contrast to who they used to be (see verses 5-11). How does this contrast reflect the Gospel story? How does it reflect your story? Why is it significant that Paul addresses them as 'holy' and 'dearly loved' **before** instructing them how to live? What significance is that to those who are raising children? What does it mean to 'let the message of Christ dwell among you richly'? Apply it to your household situation and/or other relationships.

APPLY

Slowly read the passage one more time, asking the Holy Spirit to highlight one key word or phrase for you to meditate on.

PRAY

Write out a prayer based on your meditation.

USE S.O.A.P. DAILY

M: Deuteronomy 6

T: Psalm 78:1-7

W: Joshua 4

TH: Mark 10:13-16

F: Ephesians 5:1-20

SA: Ephesians 5:21-33

SU: Exodus 2

UPCOMING

Budget Q&A

The Budget Q&A has been rescheduled for June 6 after each morning service. Copies of the proposed budget for 2010-2011 are available at the Information Center.

Budget Votes

Vote your heart to advise Council to approve or not on June 13. Absentee ballots are at the Info. Center today.

Children's Ministries Finished

Children's Church, Sunday School, Cadets, and Madison Girls are finished for the season. Please thank our terrific teams who have served so faithfully all year in these children's ministries.

Meet and Greet

We're sorry, but this June 13 event has been canceled. :(

Sidewalk Construction

A planned sidewalk renovation was begun sooner than expected thanks to a gift from a gracious donor. Thanks!

Understanding Racism

Madison's next Understanding Racism workshop will be held June 17-19 at Madison. For more info, contact Kris Vander Stelt at 456-6419 or kris.vanderstelt@gmail.com.

Freshfire Time Change

Wednesday evening Freshfire will now run from 7 to 8 pm.

Adult Sunday School

Classes are finished until September except Men's Recovery at 8:30 am and Men's Accountability at 10 am.