

# ***Mulberry Street United Methodist Church***

*Macon, Georgia*

*July 19, 2020*

*Online Sanctuary Worship*

## ***Gathering***

**Welcome**

Rev. Dr. Nita Crump

**Call to Worship** from Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 and *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

**Prayer of the Day** from Matthew 13:37-38, 43

Sower of the Field,  
continue to be gracious with us  
that we may ripen into the children of God's realm  
and live with you forever,  
shining like the sun in God's heavenly home. **Amen.**

**Hymn**

*Come Ye Thankful People, Come*

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Come, ye thankful people come, raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin.  
God, our Maker, does provide for our wants to be supplied.  
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield.  
Wheat and tares (\*) together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.  
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;  
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the harvest home.  
From his field shall in that day all offenses purge away,  
give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast;  
but the fruitful ears to store in his garner (\*\*) evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come, to your final harvest home;  
gather all your people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there, forever purified, in thy garner (\*\*) to abide.  
Come, with all your angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home!

(\*) "Tares" are weeds that resemble wheat.

(\*\*) A "garner" is a storehouse for grain.

## ***Proclaiming***

**Prayer for Illumination**

Harvesting God, as we listen to your Word,  
by your Holy Spirit lead our hearts in the way everlasting. **Amen.**

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**Scripture**

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

*Waiting in the Weeds*

Rev. Dr. Nita Crump

## *Responding*

### Hymn

*What Is the World Like*

NEW WORLD

- Soloist:* What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Mustard seeds grow more than we can conceive:  
roots thread the soil; branches reach for the sun.  
This is how God moves us each to believe.
- Soloist:* What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Witness the wandering child coming home;  
watch as the parent breaks into a run.  
This is how God longs for us when we roam.
- Soloist:* What is the world like when God's will is done?  
No more is neighbor just ally or friend;  
peace thrives in places where once there was none.  
This is how God works when rivalries end.
- Soloist:* What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Ready for feasting, we watch through the night,  
tending our lamps till the new day's begun.  
This is how God readies us for the light.
- All:* These are the stories that Jesus imparts,  
filled with the Spirit who joins us as one.  
Born through our voices, our hands, and our hearts,  
this is a new world where God's will is done.

### Pastoral Prayer and 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, forever. Amen.**

## *Sending*

### Hymn

*Guide My Feet*

GUIDE MY FEET

*You are invited to sing.*  
***Guide my feet* while I run this race, (3 times)**  
***For I don't want to run this race in vain!***

*The soloist will begin each stanza with a different phrase.*

### Benediction

*The two roses on the altar honor the birth of Leonidas Orion Burton, born June 23, son of Travis (Randal) and Dana Burton, and the birth of Cater Snow Starling, born July 11, daughter of Kyle and Cater Starling.*

### **Worship Leadership:**

The Reverend Dr. Nita Crump, Senior Pastor  
Greg Elliott, Doris Granum, Chuck Huber, and Lisa Shepard, Ensemble  
Tom Granum, Director of Music Ministries and Organist  
Steve Moretti and Sarah Pounds, Production and Editing

### **Credits:**

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*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

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*What Is the World Like*

*Words: Adam Tice, 2009*

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*Guide My Feet*

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- online,
- auto-draft, or
- online bill-pay.

We are thankful for your continued support of the calling and mission of our church as we strive to shine the light of Christ across our community and to help those in need. To give online go to

[mulberrymethodist.org/give](http://mulberrymethodist.org/give).

You may contact the church:

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Staff email addresses are [here](#).

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A 60-minute service will also be broadcast at 11 a.m. on Sunday on 940 am radio. The sermon will be similar, but the radio broadcast will have more music, scripture, and liturgy.