

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2018
Nine O'clock*



Gathering Music Fifth Sunday
"Amazing Grace"

Greeting Pam Johnston

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us worship God.

Call to Worship Anne McCrary

God of goodness and mercy,
of gentleness and kindness,
of righteousness and faithfulness:
**be the light of our salvation
and sustain our souls.**

We offer the daily tasks that consume us to you,
**for we accomplish nothing
without your grace.**

We submit to your will,
that we should love you with our everything
**and love our neighbors,
and even our enemies,
as ourselves.**

**Renew us and transform us
by your steadfast love
into the people of God.**

Opening Hymn Medley Fifth Sunday
"Wonderful Words of Life" (UMH No. 600)
"Thy Word is a Lamp" (UMH No. 601)

Act of Praise Fifth Sunday
"Peace in the Valley"

Prayer Hymn No. 496
"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Fifth Sunday

Pastoral Prayer

Marilyn Armstrong

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.**

* Gospel Lesson
John 15:1-5

Pam Johnston

The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon
"Well Connected"

Pam Johnston

Offering of our Gifts and Tithes

* Doxology

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**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.**

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Marilyn Armstrong

* Closing Hymn No. 672
"God Be with You till We Meet Again"

* Benediction

Pam Johnston

* *Please stand as you are able.*

Our Speaker

Pamela Johnston, serving her 10th year as the Director of Family and Children's Ministries at Mulberry Street UMC attends the Candler School of Theology, Emory University. She plans to graduate with a Master's of Divinity in 2020. She is pursuing ordination in the United Methodist Church with a calling to minister in the areas of discipleship, Christian education and community connection. Before entering into ministry, she taught English full-time at Mercer University and worked as an editor for an academic journal. She and her husband, Dr. Gordon Johnston, have been members at Mulberry Street UMC for over 20 years. They have three children, Emma, Micah and Graham.



Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor

Fifth Sunday

Johnny Hathcock

Barbara Henley

Sam Lamback

Sean McCarty

Jerry Stinchcomb

Lynneth Whitten

*The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God
and in honor of
Mickey and Carol Pope's 59th Wedding Anniversary.*

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN PLEDGE

We pledge our prayers, that we may experience growth and renewal in our relationship to God and to our sisters and brothers; our time; that we may respond to human need through study, action and reflection; our gifts, through United Methodist Women, that we may share in the Global ministries of the Church.

PURPOSE OF THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The organization of the United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship and to expand concepts of mission through participation and funding of global ministries of the church.

MULBERRY UNITED METHODIST WOMEN BOARD

*President - Mary Leonard Hurt
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CIRCLE MEETINGS - SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY

Esther Circle

*Meets 1st Thursday of the month at 12 noon in the Parlor,
Mary Anne Gaudry, Leader*

Paula Motes Circle

*Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4:00 pm
in the Conference Room, Dianne Greene, Leader*

Grace Circle

*Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month
at 6:30 pm at members' homes,
Marilyn Armstrong, Leader*

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
March 18, 2018*

Today's Sermon
"Well Connected"

Today's Scripture
John 15:1-5

"I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. ² He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn't produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more. ³ You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you. ⁴ Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me.

⁵ "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.

Sermon Notes

Previous Sermons Available Online

If you are interested in listening to previous sermons, please visit our website at www.mulberrymethodist.org on the home page click on "Media" and sermons are found on the right side of the page.

If You Are New

*Please make sure you sign the Attendance Register
as it is passed.*

Welcome to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

*We are grateful for your presence and invite you to
participate in our worship, growth opportunities
and service life here at Mulberry. Our hope is that you
will find this church to be a warm,
caring community that you can call home.*

Nursery Care is provided for children under 4 years of age.

Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.

*To keep up with Mulberry Street UMC's events, services and
more we invite you to visit us at www.mulberrymethodist.org
and find us on Facebook.*

Joining Mulberry Street UMC

*New Members are welcomed into the congregation
during our Sunday morning worship services
at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 am.*

*You may transfer from another Methodist church,
transfer from another denomination or join for the first time
by Profession of Faith (committing your life to Christ).*

*For more information, please contact Karen Carter
at 478-745-8601 or kcarter@mulberrymethodist.org.*

Connect with us Online

*You can learn more about our church community,
staff and other events by visiting our website at
www.mulberrymethodist.org.*