

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 14, 2016
Eleven O'clock*



Entrance and Praise

Greeting in the Name of Christ

Rev. Jimmy Towson

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

Opening Voluntary

Rolando Fernandez, Trumpet
Giuseppe Torelli

“Allegro I Concerto in D”

Call to Worship

Ron Knight

Come, let us give thanks to the Lord!
Let us bow down before our Maker!
Let us tell of God’s love and greatness.
Let us serve him with joy and gladness.

* Entrance Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

HYFRYDOL

**Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down;
Fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.**

**Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temple leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.**

**Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

* Opening Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

We thank you, O God,

for calling us into your church to be your people.

We have gathered because we have heard your call.

You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ,

you have touched us with your Spirit,

and we have turned toward you,

seeking to love as we have been loved.

We call upon your holy name:

empower us to worship and serve you,

walking gently on this earth,

through the grace of Jesus Christ,

who taught us to pray

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Act of Praise

Ainsworth Choir

“Forever Blest is He Who Serves the Lord” G. F. Handel

Forever blest is he who serves the Lord,

the loving God of all mankind.

Joy shall be his reward;

living to serve the Lord.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

William Sherwood James

Son of Baxter and Christi James

Do you, as Christ’s body, the Church,

reaffirm both your rejection of sin

and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith

and include Sherwood now before you in your care?

With God’s help, we will proclaim the good news

and live according to the example of Christ.

We will surround Sherwood

with a community of love and forgiveness,

that he may grow in his trust of God,

and be found faithful in his service to others.

We will pray for him that he may be a true disciple

who walks in the way that leads to life.

* Commendation and Welcome

Members of the household of God,
We commend Sherwood to your love and care.
Do all in your power to increase his faith,
confirm his hope, and perfect him in love.

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ
and at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the church
by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service, and our witness
that in everything God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ.**

* Hymn of Baptism No. 611

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

STUTT GART

**Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit’s sign;
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.**

**Child of God your loving Parent,
learn to know whose child you are.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship,
trust and love God more than all.**

Proclamation and Response

Children’s Moments

Pam Johnston

*Children are invited to meet Pam on the chancel steps.
K-4 and K-5 children will leave for
Children’s Church after Children’s Moments.*

Psalm 51:10-17

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

**Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your holy Spirit from me.**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

**Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.**

Deliver me from death, O God, God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

**O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth shall show forth your praise.**

For you have no delight in sacrifice;

were I to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.

**The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart,**

O God, you will not despise.

* Gospel Reading Ron Knight
Matthew 5:14-16 (NLT)

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

Sermon Rev. Jimmy Towson
Saved People Serve People: Inside Out

Offering of our Gifts Chris Abbott, Tenor
“My God, How Endless is Thy Love” Gordon Young

* Doxology OLD 100TH

**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

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Invitation to Christian Discipleship

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 581
“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service” BEACH SPRING

The Light of Christ Goes Into the World
Please be seated after the cross and light pass your pew.

Closing Voluntary Rolando Fernandez
“Allegro III *Concerto in D*” Giuseppe Torelli

* Benediction

* *Please stand as you are able.*



Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Rev. Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor
Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries
Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist
Ainsworth Choir
David Keith, Ainsworth Choir Director
Pam Johnston, Director of Children's & Family Ministries
Ron Knight, Lay Reader
Micah Johnston, Lead Acolyte
Hayden Martin, Crucifer
Elizabeth Sellers & Alex Stone, Candlelighters
Matt Newberry, Aquifer

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Charles E. Shipe
by Eleanor Castellaw and Beth Castellaw.*

*The rose on the altar is in honor of the birth of
Margaret "Maggie" Reeves Carroll
daughter of Josh and Ashley Carroll
born on August 10, 2016.*

Welcome All Visitors

*We welcome you to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.
Please make sure you sign the **Attendance Register** as it is passed.
Nursery Care is provided for children under 4 years of age.
Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.*

Up & Coming Events & Prayer List

*Mulberry's Up & Coming Events and Prayer List
is located in the Registration Pads on your pew.*

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Today's Sermon

Saved People Serve People: Inside Out

Today's Scripture

Matthew 5:14-16 (NLT)

14 You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. 15 No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

Sermon Notes

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