

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church

Macon, Georgia

October 18, 2020

In-Person Sanctuary Worship

11:00 a.m.

Gathering

Greeting in the Name of Christ

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Rev. Dr. Nita Crump

Voluntary

God of Grace and God of Glory

Paul Manz

Call to Worship

based on Psalm 99:4-5

O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and fall down before God's footstool;

God is the Holy One.

Come, let us worship this Holy One, the God of grace and glory.

Hymn 577

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;

crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;

let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore.

Proclaiming

Prayer for Illumination

Lord Jesus Christ, your light shines within us.

Let not my doubts nor my darkness speak to me.

Lord Jesus Christ, your light shines within us.

Let my heart always welcome your love. Amen.

Scripture

Matthew 22:15-22

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

Sermon

THRIVING

Rev. Dr. Nita Crump

3. God's Imprint on Our Lives

Stewardship is less about what we give and more about who and whose we are. This sermon explores the spiritual responsibility of every person in the household of God.

Responding

* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Call to Prayer

Come and Fill Our Hearts

CONFITEMINI DOMINO

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!

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

Discipleship-in-Action

The Renewed Vision of Mulberry St. UMC

Katie Griffis

Sharing the heart of God from the heart of downtown Macon

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Hymn

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred:
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

Benediction

Voluntary

Trumpet Tune

Giovanni Coperario

* *Please rise in body or spirit.*

*Those part of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in spoken word are noted in **bold type**.*

Worship Leadership:

The Reverend Dr. Nita Crump, Senior Pastor

Katie Trotter, soloist

Tom Granum, Director of Music Ministries and Organist