

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church  
Macon, Georgia*

# *The Church at Worship*

*Transfiguration of the Lord  
February 11, 2018  
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

“The Archbishop’s Fanfare”

Francis Jackson

Call to Worship

Sarah Inzetta

The Lord is Sovereign;  
let the people tremble in awe.  
**God is enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth shake.**  
The Lord is great in Zion,  
and is high above all peoples.  
**Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God,  
and worship Yahweh upon the holy mountain.**

\* Entrance Hymn No. 103

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

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\* Opening Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

God of glory and mercy,  
before his death in shame  
your Son went to the mountain top,  
and you revealed his life in glory.  
Where prophets witnessed to him,  
you proclaimed him your Son,  
but he returned to die among us.  
Help us face life with courage,  
knowing that all things, even death,  
are subject to your transforming power.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

\* Affirmation of Faith  
The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Jeff Cook

**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.**

\* Gloria Patri No. 71

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**Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Act of Praise

“This Glimpse of Glory”

Dillon Watkins, Trumpet

Ainsworth Choir

David Ashley White

Responsive Reading  
Psalm 50:1-6

Rev. Jimmy Towson

The Mighty One, God the Lord,  
speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
God shines forth.**

Our God comes, and does not keep silence,  
before whom is a devouring fire,  
round about whom is a mighty storm.

**God calls to the heavens above  
and to the earth, that the people may be judged:**

“Gather to me my faithful ones,  
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

**The heavens declare God's righteousness,  
for God alone is judge!**

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.*

Morning Prayer Rev. Jimmy Towson

The Lord's Prayer Rev. Jimmy Towson

**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.**

### *Proclamation and Response*

Epistle Lesson Rev. Jimmy Towson  
2 Corinthians 4:3-6

\* Hymn of Preparation #176  
"Majesty, Worship His Majesty" MAJESTY

\* Gospel Lesson Bishop Lawson Bryan  
Mark 9:2-9

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

Sermon Bishop Lawson Bryan  
"Alive Together in Worship"

Offering of our Gifts Lynn DeShazo  
"Ancient Words"  
Peter Schultz, Tenor  
Katie Trotter, Violin  
Krysta Therieau, Soprano  
Adele Baumann, Mezzo-Soprano

\* Doxology OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

**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 Rev. Jeff Cook

## *Sending Forth*

\* Hymn of Discipleship No 163  
"Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know" HENDON

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

"War March of Priests" Felix Mendelssohn

\* Benediction Bishop Lawson Bryan

\* *Please stand as you are able.*

### **Bishop Lawson Bryan**

*Bishop Bryan is a gifted preacher and Episcopal leader. After receiving a B.S. from Tulane University, he attained his Master of Divinity and Doctorate of Ministry from Emory University. Bishop Bryan served a number of churches in Alabama before being appointed senior pastor of First UMC in Montgomery in 2007. In 2016, he was elected Bishop and assigned to the South Georgia Conference. He is married to Sherrill O. Cooper of Thomaston, AL. The Bryans have one son, Philip, who is married to Brittany Woodham, the proud parents of John Philip Bryan Jr. We are deeply honored to have Bishop Bryan stand in the pulpit at Mulberry St. UMC!*

  
*Bishop Lawson Bryan, South Georgia Annual Conference  
Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor  
Pat Crowe, Organist  
Richard Kosowski, Director of Music  
Ainsworth Choir  
Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries  
Sarah Inzetta, Lay Reader  
Maddie McClure, Lead Acolyte  
Matt Newberry, Crucifer  
Olivia Mann & Henry McClure, Candlelighters*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of our parents Sage and Robbie Harper  
and Arthur and Madeline Delores Curran  
by Ken and Jackie Harper.*

## *If You Are New to Mulberry*

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

*Welcome to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.*

*Thank you for worshipping 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](http://www.mulberrymethodist.org)  
and find us on Facebook.*

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staff and other events by visiting our website at  
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**Today's Sermon**  
"Alive Together in Worship"

**Today's Scripture**  
Mark 9:2-9

<sup>2</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup> and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one<sup>[a]</sup> on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup> And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings,<sup>[b]</sup> one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup> He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved;<sup>[c]</sup> listen to him!" <sup>8</sup> Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Sermon Notes**

**Previous Sermons Available Online**

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