

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*Transfiguration of the Lord
February 7, 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

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

Powell

Call to Worship

Mary Keith

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous;
praise befits the upright.
**Our souls are waiting for you, O Lord;
you are our help and our shield.**
In you do our hearts find joy;
we trust in your holy name.
**Let your love be upon us, O God,
as we place our hope in you.**

* Entrance Hymn No. 127

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

CWM RHONDDA

* Opening Prayer

Rev. Tommy Perkins

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Bless us, O God,
with a reverent sense of your presence,
that we may be at peace and may worship you
with all our mind and spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Act of Praise

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

(Text by Elisha A. Hoffman (1887) UMH 133)

Ainsworth Choir

arr. Eric Nelson

*Children age 5K and under are invited to leave for
children’s church after the Act of Praise.*

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 29:4-14 (NIV)

Mary Keith

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Homily

ReAlign: Worry and Doubt

Rev. Bill Culpepper

* Hymn No. 142

“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee” WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

Invitation to the Table

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,

who earnestly repent of their sin

and seek to live in peace with one another.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you

with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love,

we have not loved our neighbors,

and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

that proves God’s love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God! Amen.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Offering of our Gifts

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

* The Great Thanksgiving

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Sung responses – Congregation echoes the cantor.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blest is the One who comes, in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Amen. Amen. Amen.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking the Bread

Giving of the Bread and Cup

*Communion will be served by intinction.
The altar is open for prayer.
Please let an usher know
if you need to be served in your pew.*

Prayer after Communion

Rev. Tommy Perkins

Let us pray.

**Loving God,
we thank you that you have fed us
in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
in your eternal kingdom.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn of Discipleship
“Trust and Obey”

TRUST AND OBEY

**When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.**

Refrain

**Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

**Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey. *Refrain***

**Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,
or we'll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go;
never fear, only trust and obey. *Refrain***

The Light of Christ Goes Into the World

Please be seated after the cross and light pass your pew.

Closing Voluntary

“All My Hope is Firmly Grounded”
(Text UMH No. 132)

Burkhardt

* Benediction

Rev. Bill Culpepper

* *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, Conductor

Sophia Harlan, Flute

Taylor Yasui, Cello

Mary Keith, Lay Reader

Freedra Chapman, Bread Baker

Hines & Barbara Wommack, Communion Servers

Savannah Stone, Lead Acolyte

Maddie McClure, Crucifer

Emma Johnston, Communion Steward

Elizabeth Sellers & Alex Stone, Candlelighters

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. N. A. Powers and
Mrs. Allene McCall by Doyle & Lullene Powers.*

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

ReAlign: Worry and Doubt

Today's Scriptures

Jeremiah 29:4-14 (NIV)

⁴This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵“Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. ⁷Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.” ⁸Yes, this is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: “Do not let the prophets and diviners among you deceive you. Do not listen to the dreams you encourage them to have. ⁹They are prophesying lies to you in my name. I have not sent them,” declares the LORD.

¹⁰This is what the LORD says: “When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. ¹¹For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. ¹²Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. ¹³You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. ¹⁴I will be found by you,” declares the LORD, “and will bring you back from captivity. ^[a]I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you,” declares the LORD, “and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile.”

Sermon Notes

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