



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 7, 2016

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## REALIGN SMALL GROUPS OFF TO GREAT START!

The reports from the Week 1 of the *ReAlign* small groups have been very positive! We have several new groups and new people doing life together! That's simply great!

Here's the good news! It's not too late for you to be part of this study. Here are your options:

1. **Join an existing group.** Each lesson stands on it's on, so it's okay if you missed the first one. You'll find the list of existing groups in this newsletter! Just give the host a call to let them know you're coming! You can catch up by going to the Mulberry website ([www.mulberrymethodist.org](http://www.mulberrymethodist.org)) and watching the first video. Be sure to grab a guidebook in the atrium or church office.
2. **Start your own group.** This is really easy. All you have to do is gather a few friends, family, co-workers, neighbors, classmates and invite them to watch the DVD with you. We'll give you the DVD and all the guidebooks you need. Just call the office and we'll make this happen!

Honestly, if you don't do this study, you are missing a great opportunity. It's that good, we promise you! Just ask someone who is already doing the study!

We want all of us to grow closer to Christ, and the best way to do that is by joining with others to study, listen, learn and do life together!

Thanks for helping make *ReAlign* a huge success!

# Sunday Worship

February 7, 2016

9:00 am Chapel

11:00 am Sanctuary

*ReAlign: Doubt & Worry*

*Jeremiah 29:4-14 (NIV)*

*Rev. Bill Culpepper*



## Assisting with Worship

### Usher for Nine O'clock

Sam Henley & David Ivey

### Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Steve Allen, Jeff Amerson, James Berg, J.B. Easterlin, Eric Hefner, Bill Henderson, Bill Jarrard, Bob Lovett, Bob McCormick, David Morris, Wesley Rauls, Rader Sellers, Russ Vaughn

### Children's Church

Jeremy & Brandi Hinshaw (2K/3K)



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.

### Attendance Last Week

Nursery	6
Nine O'clock Worship	54
Eleven O'clock Worship	286
Total Worship Attendance	346



Cam Bishop, Director of Music

Children's Choirs – 6:15 pm  
Ainsworth Choir – 7:15 pm



## SHROVE TUESDAY February 9 - 5:30 pm

Shrove Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time of personal introspection and fasting leading us to Holy Week. Tradition has Lent as a time of abstinence from meat, fat, eggs and dairy product. Shrove Tuesday is also called Fat Tuesday (in French, Mardi Gras) because it is said on that day a thrifty homemaker uses up the fats that have been kept for cooking, but that will not be used during Lent. Since pancakes are a standard way of using up the fats in the house, the day is also called Pancake Tuesday!

Join us on Tuesday, February 9 at 5:30 p.m. for our celebration of Fat Tuesday or Pancake Tuesday. Let's help Doris use up a lot of fats and enjoy a pancake supper.

Then come back for our weekly Church Family Supper on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> as we begin our journey into the season of Lent. Our dinner will be a contrast from the evening before as we enjoy a simple dinner of soup and cornbread. Afterwards we will have our service of the imposition of ashes in the sanctuary.



February 10  
6:30 pm  
Sanctuary



February 10

Menu: Soup & Cornbread  
Program: Ash Wednesday Service



Rev. Bill Culpepper,  
Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

### Anchored

Sundays - 5:00 pm

### Youth Fellowship

Wednesdays – 6:15 pm

## ReAlign Small Groups

Contact the host(s) to sign up.

### Host: Judy Hodgens

Sundays – 5:00 pm

3379 Osborne Pl.

478-361-0216

### Hosts: Steve & Rozelle Rumford

Mondays – 10:30 am

Catherine Daughtery

Sunday School Classroom

478-256-7108

### Host: Cater Thompson

Tuesdays – 6:00 pm

Katherine Court Apartments

Apartment 303 - 855 Mulberry Street

478-719-5817

### Host: Jimmy Towson (All Men)

Tuesdays – 7:00 am

Taste & See Coffee Shop

478-538-9067

### Host: Allison Hawkins (All Women)

Tuesdays – 7:00 pm

First Meeting: Home of Kris Vaughn

(639 Lokchapee Ridge)

Allison's #: 478-808-3967

### Hosts: Don & Heidi Ream

Tuesdays – 7:00 pm

2848 S. Hillandale Circle

478-542-2895

### Host: Doris Mountjoy – Cottage 111

Cottages on Wesleyan

Wednesdays – 10:30 am

478-621-4547

### Hosts: Rader & Kate Sellers

Thursdays – 7:00 pm

130 Treyburne Way

478-361-8802

## Paula Motes Circle

Paula Motes Circle will meet  
Wednesday, February 10 at 4:00 pm  
in the Conference Room.



Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries

**Children's Council Meeting**

Sunday, February 7

12:15-1:30

Children's Assembly Room - Snacks/ childcare provided.

**Lent Mission Project**

Bring snacks and personal hygiene supplies for "Blessing Bags". Sign up at

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084baaaf29abf49-blessing>

Deadline (we'll stuff bags in Sunday school on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.)



Saturday, February 27

7:45 am – 4:00 pm

Confirmations and Mentors Invited!

Come visit an interactive, outdoor museum of archeology from Biblical times – including a working olive press, tomb, cross, sheepfold, mummies, etc. We'll make bread over a fire and be served a 4-course Passover meal. Cost: \$32 or scholarship available.

**Upcoming Events**

Children's Choir Awards – March 16

Easter Egg Hunt – March 26

Vacation Bible School – June 13-17

**Mulberry Endowment Receives \$311,600 Gift From Estate of Ann Henry**

Ann Henry was a member of Mulberry from 1944 to 2005, 61 years. At her death in 2005, Miss Henry's estate distributed a gift for the Mulberry Endowment. That gift has grown to \$33,000 today. In her will she made arrangements for the care of a relative. Upon his death the remaining trust balance was split evenly between Agnes Scott College, and Mulberry Street UMC. We are grateful to receive the church's portion totaling \$311,600. This will be added to the previously created fund established in 2005, titled *The Ann A. Henry Fund*.

Miss Henry was a 1937 graduate of A.L. Miller Senior High School, Agnes Scott College, and the University of Georgia. In her early career Miss Henry was Executive Director of the Girl Scouts of Middle Georgia. She is well remembered for her 30 years of service as a teacher and administrator in the Bibb County Public School System.

During her time at Mulberry she served as a youth counselor, Sunday School teacher, and as Church Historian. She was one of the first women to serve on the Administrative Board. Ann's countless hours of joyful service in Mulberry's History Room affords us the pleasure of discovering the rich history of our great church. Ann's creative leadership and stewardship will bless Mulberry Street UMC for generations to come.



**Pantry Needs:**  
Rice & Mac & Cheese

**Christmas Poinsettia Project**

A contribution was made to Macon Outreach for \$357.96 from the Christmas Poinsettia Project.



*There is a bucket in the atrium to receive donations to Daybreak.*

*Supplies Needed:  
Baking Soda  
Powdered Drink Mix  
Quick Oats*



**Thursday, February 11**

12:00 pm

\$6.00 - Fellowship Hall

All are invited to February's Young At Heart gathering on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. A noontime luncheon will be followed with a program by Mulberry's new member Jane Moore. Jane will be sharing on her experiences in the Peace Corp in her years of service in Malawi Africa. Please reserve your spot now by emailing [tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org](mailto:tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org) or call the church office (745-8601) no later than Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>.



**Memorial Fund**

*In memory of Eleanor Nicholson by  
Col. & Mrs. Joseph H. Jones Mr. & Mrs. Sam Henley, Jr.  
In memory of Judy Walker by Mr. & Mrs. Sam Henley, Jr.*



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Rev. Jimmy Towson (538-9067)  
 Rev. Tommy Perkins (615-691-3171)  
 Rev. Bill Culpepper (803-673-7860)

## This Week at Mulberry

### Sunday, February 7

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
 9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 9:45 am Mulberry 101/Conf Rm  
 11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
 5:00 pm Anchored  
 5:00 pm Confirmation Class

### Tuesday, February 9

8:30 am Prayer Group/Prayer Rm  
 10:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm  
 12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall  
 5:30 pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper/F-Hall

### Wednesday, February 10

9:15 am CCM Chapel  
 10:30 am M/O Worship  
 1:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service/Cottages on Wesleyan  
 4:00 pm Paula Motes Circle/Conf Rm  
 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper  
 6:15 pm Children's Choirs  
 6:15 pm Youth Fellowship  
 6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service/Sanctuary  
 7:15 pm Ainsworth Choir

### Thursday, February 11

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232  
 10:30 am Conference Personnel Mtg/Rm 323  
 12:00 pm Young at Heart/F-Hall

### Friday, February 12

6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal/Stewart-Warnock

### Saturday, February 13

6:00 pm Wedding/Stewart-Warnock

### Sunday, February 14

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
 9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 9:45 am Mulberry 101/Conf Rm  
 11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
 5:00 pm Anchored  
 5:00 pm Confirmation Class

## SOUL FRIENDS MINISTRY GATHERING

(Formerly known as Gazelles)

Wednesday, February 24 at 4:00 pm in the Conference Room

All who are interested in a "blessed-to-be-a-blessing" ministry for the Mulberry congregation are invited to the re-launch of Mulberry's Soul Friends Ministry (formerly known as The Gazelles). Soul Friends Ministry will continue to be one way we as the Mulberry Street congregation connect with our home-bound members. Soul Friends pair up with people who are no longer able to come to church connecting with each shut-in member. Soul Friends visit, call, and send cards to their assigned member and encourage them with the love of Christ. If you know of anyone in the church who needs a special Mulberry minister - a Soul Friend, please contact Marilyn Armstrong [marilyn@cox.net](mailto:marilyn@cox.net) or Rev. Tommy Perkins [tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org](mailto:tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org)

## Budget Report 2015

Month	Revenue	Expense	Net	Endowment	
				Revenue	Net
Jan	65,946	96,592	(30,646)	0	(30,646)
Feb	83,166	105,627	(22,462)	0	(22,462)
Mar	102,146	113,483	(11,337)	6,000	(5,337)
Apr	86,112	107,031	(20,919)	6,000	(14,919)
May	98,658	99,700	(1,042)	6,000	4,958
Jun	74,263	113,841	(39,578)	6,000	(33,578)
Jul	80,661	104,878	(24,217)	6,000	(18,217)
Aug	97,141	106,791	(9,650)	6,000	(3,650)
Sep	96,572	120,975	(24,403)	6,000	(18,403)
Oct	81,881	112,297	(30,416)	6,000	(24,416)
Nov	189,412	156,812	32,600	6,000	38,600
Dec	216,305	116,569	99,736	(12,833)	86,903
<b>Total YTD</b>	<b>1,272,262</b>	<b>1,354,596</b>	<b>(82,334)</b>	<b>41,167</b>	<b>(41,167)</b>

## Mulberry Street UMC Staff

Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor  
 Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor  
 Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries  
 Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist  
 Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries  
 Betsy Abbott, Director of Hospitality Karen Carter, Connections Director  
 Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary  
 Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian  
 Clifton Carswell & Jeffrey Smith, Custodians  
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