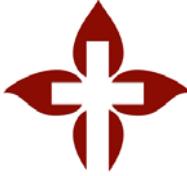


*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*Third Sunday after the Epiphany
January 22, 2017
Nine O'clock*



Greeting in the Name of Christ

Rev. Jimmy Towson

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

Opening Voluntary

“Be Thou My Vision”

Hal Hopson

Call to Worship

Our hearts are ready, O Lord,
our hearts are ready!

We will sing and make melody!
We will awaken the dawn!

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,
we will sing praises to you among the nations.

For your steadfast love is great above the heavens,
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

* Hymn No. 139

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

LOBE DEN HERREN

* Opening Prayer

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

O gracious and holy God,
give us diligence to seek you,
wisdom to perceive you,
and patience to wait for you.

Grant us, O God,
a mind to meditate on you,
eyes to behold you,
ears to listen for your Word,
a heart to love you,
and a life to proclaim you,
through the power of the Spirit
of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

* Affirmation of Faith

A Modern Affirmation

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is the one true church,
apostolic and universal,
whose holy faith let us now declare:

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed
to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance
from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God
may come upon the earth. Amen.**

Act of Praise

Krysta Therieau, Soprano

"If You Search With All Your Heart"

Craig Courtney

Pastoral Prayer

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.**

Offering of our Gifts

**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.**

Scripture Reading

Proverbs 13:12 (NLT)

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Hopes and Dreams”

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 451

“Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

* Benediction

* *Please stand as you are able.*



*Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Rev. Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor
Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist*

*The flowers on the altar in the chapel
are given to the glory of God and in appreciation to the fifteen
Macon, Georgia churches for their participation in the 6th Annual
Old City Flower Festival.*

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Today's Sermon
"Hopes and Dreams"

Today's Scripture
Proverbs 13:12 (NLT)

¹² Hope deferred makes the heart sick,
but a dream fulfilled is a tree of life.

Sermon Notes

Previous Sermons Available Online

*If you are interested in listening to previous sermons,
please visit our website at www.mulberrymethodist.org
and click on "Listen" on top right.*

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

*If you would like to have a copy of
Mulberry's Up & Coming Events and Prayer List,
please see an usher.*