

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

Baptism of the Lord
January 13, 2018
Nine O'clock

*As you enter this holy space and begin to make the transition from "getting here" to "being here,"
you are encouraged to use these moments to become aware of the quiet places within
so that you are ready to worship God. Please silence your cell phones.
Come, let us worship God.*



Voluntary

Aria

Flor Peeters

Greeting in the Name of Christ

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

*Please sign the Attendance Pad as it is passed, and then return it to the center aisle,
noting the names of those who are seated on your pew.*

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

Call to Worship

Psalm 29:2-4

Rush Peace

Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name,

worship the Lord in holy splendor.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

the God of glory thunders,

the Lord, over mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful;

the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

Come, let us worship God!

* **Hymn No. 57** (Stanzas 1-4)

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

Opening Prayer

Rush Peace

Congregational Prayer for Illumination

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

**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.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

Rush Peace

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Be Not Afraid

Taylor Davis

Be not afraid, for I have redeemed you.
Be not afraid, I've called you by name.
My love for you is everlasting.
my love for you shall have no end.
When you pass through the waters, I will surround you.
When you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er.
When you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed.
You are my child, you are so precious to me.
You are my child, and I'll love you always.
Just hold my hand, and I'll lead you home.
When you feel lost, always remember:
I am right here, just call out my name.

Isaiah 42:1-7

* **Doxology**

OLD 100TH

**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.**

* **Gospel Reading**

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

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

Solo

The Lone, Wild Bird

arr. David Johnson

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight
is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight.
And I am thine! I rest in thee.
Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.
The ends of earth are in thy hand,
the sea's dark deep and far-off land.

Sermon

When Jesus Said "Yes"

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Remembering Our Baptism

*You are invited to come forward and have a minister make the sign of the cross
on your forehead with water from the font.*

Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**
**O Lord our God, we give you thanks for the faith, hope, and love you
give to us through the blessing of our baptism – claiming us as your
beloved children, calling us to the path of discipleship, revealing to us
the light of your glory. By the power of your Holy Spirit, poured out
upon us in baptism, help us to follow you with faith, to trust in you
with hope, and to serve you with love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

* **Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

* **Hymn of Discipleship No. 529**

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

* **Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* *Please rise in body or spirit.*

*Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word
or song are noted in **bold type**.*



*Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery, Lead Pastor
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Rush Peace, Lay Reader
Katie Trotter, Soprano*

The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in honor of Doris Andrews.



Welcome to Mulberry

Thank you for worshipping with us today! We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in Mulberry's worship and our opportunities for growing through education, fellowship, and mission. We hope you find our congregation to be a warm and caring community.

Please sign the Attendance Register as it is passed.

Nursery Care is provided for children younger than age 4. Please ask an usher for directions.

To keep up with Mulberry Street UMC's events, services, and more, we invite you to visit us at www.mulberrymethodist.org and find us on Facebook.

Please speak to one of the pastors if you are interested in knowing more about membership.

Our 11:00 am worship service is broadcast live over radio station AM 940 WMAC. You can download the Sunday bulletin at <https://mulberrymethodist.org/media>.