

MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 22, 2017

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Cam Bishop's Retirement

Is it possible to be sad and joyful at the same time? With the announcement of Cam's retirement, both of those sentiments come to mind...at the same time. We will be sad that we will no longer have her ministry of music on a weekly basis, but joyful for the excellence that she has brought us to recognize. With joy too, we are excited for her ability to enjoy the next phase of her life.

A committee that will represent the varied musical interests of Mulberry is being formed at this very moment. The search committee, along with the Staff Parrish Relations Committee will endeavor, not to replace Cam, but identify someone who will continue the long and esteemed music ministry of Mulberry.

Following, is an excerpt from Cam's letter announcing her retirement.

David Baskette
Staff Parrish Relations, Chair

Dear Jimmy,

I can hardly believe the time has come for me to write this letter to officially inform you of my plans to retire from Mulberry Street United Methodist Church as Director of Music and Organist. As you are aware, I will celebrate 35 years of service to Mulberry next May, so I think it an appropriate time to conclude my tenure.

I can truly say with all of my heart that, for every single one of those 34 plus years, I have loved doing what I do! It has been a blessing to get up every morning knowing that I get to go through my day doing something that is so fulfilling and rewarding. I'm always hard pressed to know exactly which part of my job I enjoy most of all. Working with the children's choirs is always at the top of the list, but then so is making music with the Ainsworth Choir, planning our traditional worship services, and leading the congregation in song at the organ as we worship together.

Mulberry has brought such tremendous joy to my life! I cannot believe that I have had the honor of serving this great church for so many years. There are no words to express the depth of my appreciation for all that Mulberry has given to me through these years. It has truly been my privilege to share this journey with so many friends and saints whom I love and cherish.

Thank you, Jimmy, for all that you have done to support my ministry for the past two years. I will be praying for you as well as for the next person(s) who will be called to serve this amazing congregation with his or her gifts of music. If their experience is like mine, they could find no better place in the world to be!

With deep gratitude,

Cam Bishop

Sunday Worship

January 22, 2017

9:00 am Chapel

10:00 am NewRoom/Library Ballroom

11:00 am Sanctuary

"Hopes and Deams"
Proverbs 13:12 (NLT)

Rev. Jimmy Towson



Assisting with Worship

Nine O'clock Ushers

Warren Dunn & Scott Wangen

Eleven O'clock Ushers

Charlie Bridges, Austin Carter,

Ken Harper, Jason Hawkins,

Baxter James, David Mann, Don Ream,

Brett Toles, Bob Veto & Jim Wilson

Children's Church

Reeves & Julie Minton (2K/3K)

David & Shannon Morris (4K/5K)



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To Baron and Susie Gibson and family
upon the death of Baron's mother
Margaret Gibson on January 10, 2017.

Attendance Last Week

Nursery	10
Nine O'clock Worship	39
NewRoom Worship	68
Eleven O'clock Worship	189
Total Worship Attendance	306
Sunday School	180

MUSIC News

Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist

Choirs in January

Children's Choirs – Wednesdays – 6:15 pm

Ainsworth Choir – Wednesdays – 7:15 pm



Little Richard, Otis Redding, The Allman Brothers, James Brown and other artists are part of Macon's rich music heritage. In this sermon series we will explore Macon's music scene and how God can be found in the inspiring and engaging messages conveyed by these talented writers and musicians who helped shape the culture of our city and community.

January 22 - Hopes and Dreams (Proverbs 13:12)

January 29 - Pleads, Pleads, Pleads (Psalm 27:9)

February 5 - 3AM (Luke 24:28-34)



Director Position Opening

Mulberry is seeking a full-time director for its child care early learning ministry, The Children's Center at Mulberry (CCM). Priority among the Director's duties will be managing all facets of CCM as part of our ongoing ministry in the community, focusing on the children's social, emotional, physical, cognitive, and spiritual development. This person will be responsible for maintaining licensing and accreditation requirements, overseeing day-to-day operation, and hiring and supervising qualified staff. Agreement and comfort with UMC teaching are essential.

Applicants interested in applying for this position should send their résumé to Christi James at cjames@chrkglaw.com.

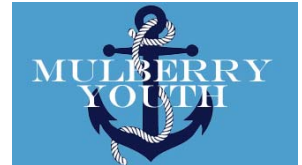


Love, Care and Share around the Table

January 25

Menu: Baked Chicken

Program: Humorist Sonny Harmon
of the Macon Telegraph



Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

Anchored

Sundays – 5:00 pm

Wednesdays

Youth Fellowship – 6:15 pm



Ladies Winter Retreat 2017
Friday-Sunday, February 3-5, 2107
Come Away Plantation,
Norwood, GA

Please join us for our Ladies Winter Retreat 2017.

There is no cost.

The speaker will be Krista Williams.

To register please contact Carole Lovett, Retreat Chair
at (478)335-8142. Space is limited to 25 women –
it's first come, first serve and will fill up fast.

Check your calendar and call to ensure your spot.



Memorial Fund

In memory of Jace Carter Moss by

Mr. & Mrs. J. Franklin Boyd

Ms. Sharon W. Cape

Mr. C. David Adams, Jr.

Ms. Bonnie Goble

In memory of Jeanette Gunn by

Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Halliburton

In memory of Cubbedge Snow, Jr. by

Ms. Lisa L. Horne

General Fund

In memory of Jaslone Jace Carter Moss by

Ms. Hilda Smith

Macon Outreach Fund

In honor of the birthday of Iris Jones by

Jim & Elois Bothe



Welcome
Our New
Members

Frank & Erskine James

128 Beverly Place

Macon, GA 31204



Flower Opening

The Flower Guild has an opening for
flowers in the chapel on February 26.
Please call Carolyn Dominy, 361-1012 or
email her at cken@cox.net if you would
like to fill this opening.

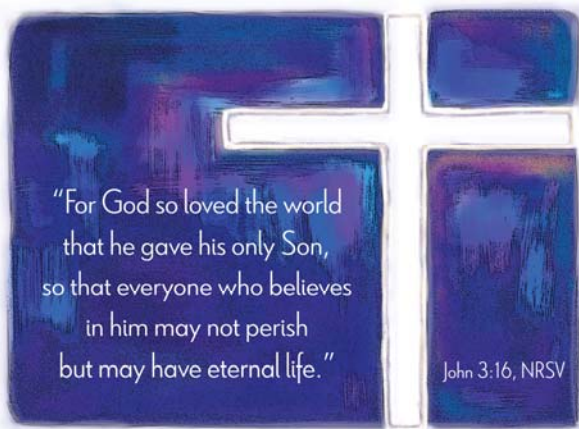


Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries



Friday, February 3

Come join us for a free night of family fun. We'll have light supper, and a movie in the Fellowship Hall from 5:30-8:00 pm. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Bring comfy chairs, blankets, pillows and even wear your PJs if you want! RSVP to Pam by February 3.



Budget Report 2016

Month	Gifts and Other Revenue	Endowment Revenue	Expense	Net
Jan	93,604.62	18,616.56	103,762.19	8,458.99
Feb	62,362.89	16,848.37	109,624.07	(30,412.81)
Mar	77,138.00	37,665.00	137,696.00	(22,893.00)
Apr	79,131.00	19,459.00	113,989.00	(15,399.00)
May	93,815.00	14,689.00	107,789.00	715.00
Jun	78,530.00	17,687.00	109,374.00	(13,157.00)
Jul	76,558.00	22,233.00	116,185.00	(17,394.00)
Aug	66,768.00	29,345.00	133,088.00	(36,975.00)
Sep	71,368.00	25,394.00	132,227.00	(35,465.00)
Oct	86,056.00	16,298.00	110,940.00	(8,586.00)
Nov	73,202.00	25,496.00	119,446.00	(20,748.00)
Total YTD	858,533.00	243,731.00	1,294,120.00	(191,856.00)



Worship Guild

The Communion Ministry of Mulberry's Worship Guild prepares for the celebration of Holy Communion. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve. If you are looking for a "quiet" way to serve God and Mulberry, there is a place for you in the Communion Ministry. Please contact Worship Guild Chair, Carol Head for details [478-731-5860](tel:478-731-5860) or carolc.head@gmail.com.



Clothing Closet Renovation

We are beginning a new adventure for the Clothing Closet at Macon Outreach. We will be renovating the Cheerios building in the next few months and are looking forward to opening a New Clothing Closet in early spring.

Until the renovation is complete, the Clothing Closet will be operating at a reduced level of service in the Macon Outreach Conference Room, located in the basement of Mulberry Street UMC. This service will be offered on Tuesday mornings. Vouchers from the Rescue Mission will be given for any additional clothing not stocked.

All donations of used clothing can be sent to the Macon Rescue Mission or non-profits of your choice.

Thank you for your support and prayers during our renovation.



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

Supplies Needed:

- Body Wash
- Spray Deodorant
- Creamer

Donations Needed for Water Well Mission Trip to Nueva Concepcion, Guatemala

Your Mulberry mission team will take your donated items to Central America as Mulberry's generosity extends by way of a 7th water well expedition - this time to Nueva Concepcion in Guatemala!

Donations may be dropped off in the atrium anytime until Sunday, February 5th.

The team is unable to accept or distribute clothing.

TOYS: Wham-O Frisbees, Playground grade jump ropes, soccer balls, footballs, tennis balls/solid rubber balls, ball pump & needles, bubbles

SUPPLIES: glue sticks, construction paper, plain white paper 8.5x11, brown paper lunch bags, paper plates/non-glossy, beads for gospel bracelets (different colors), twine, soap bars, toothbrushes/toothpaste, ziplock bags, playdough, white coffee filters

Mulberry Community Garden



Volunteer Gardeners

Tuesdays in the Garden – 1:30-3:30 pm

Thursdays in the Garden – 1:30-3:30 pm

Questions?
Call Jack Head 719-7455

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Our 11 a.m. service is broadcast live
over Radio Station AM 940 WMAC.



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

This Week at Mulberry

Sunday, January 22

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:30 am Blue Room Kids
9:45 am Sunday School
10:00 am NewRoom Worship/Library Ballroom
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
1:00-4:00 pm Old City Flower Festival

Monday, January 23

10:30 am Daughters of 1812 Mtg/Conf Rm
12:00 pm Daughters of 1812 Luncheon/F-Hall
1:00 pm Cottages on Wesleyan Communion
5:00 pm Finance Committee Mtg/Conf Rm

Tuesday, January 24

8:30 Prayer Group/Prayer Rm
9:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm
10:00 am – 4:00 pm Old City Flower Festival
12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall
5:30 pm SPR Mtg/Conf Rm

Wednesday, January 25

9:15 am CCM Chapel
10:30 am M/O Worship/Chapel
5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
6:15 pm Children's Choirs
6:15 pm Youth Fellowship
7:15 pm Ainsworth Choir

Thursday, January 26

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232

Friday, January 27

5:30-8:00 pm Family Movie Night/F-Hall

Sunday, January 29

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:30 Blue Room Kids
9:45 am Sunday School
10:00 am NewRoom Worship/Library Ballroom
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
5:00 pm Anchored



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In memory of Jeanette Gunn by Judy Hodgens
In memory of Doris A. Cable by Judy Hodgens
In honor of J. B. & Margaret Easterlin by Judy Hodgens
In honor of Shannon Fickling by Judy Hodgens
In honor of Billy & Cindy Jarrard by Judy Hodgens
In honor of Chris & Melinda McLendon by Judy Hodgens
In honor of Gordon & Pam Johnston by Judy Hodgens

Mulberry Street UMC Staff

Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor
Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries
Trevor Ward & Tyler Giles, Worship Leaders
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
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Annette Avant, Interim Director, Children's Center
Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach