



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 24, 2016

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## THE CHURCH AT WORK

So much is happening at Mulberry and in United Methodism that is very exciting. I want to report on a couple of recent events.

### SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

This past week Methodists from our Southeastern Jurisdiction Annual Conferences (which includes our South Georgia Annual Conference) met to elect 5 new Bishops. They also assigned Bishops to serve in each of the annual conferences. We are pleased that **Bishop Lawson Bryan** has been assigned as our new bishop!

Bishop Bryan brings a lot of experience and vision to our conference. Before his election, he has served faithfully in the Alabama/West Florida Annual Conference, most recently, as the Senior Pastor at First United Methodist Church, Montgomery, Alabama since 2007.

Bishop Bryan has a deep faith in Christ that is reflected in all that he has done to grow the Kingdom. We are honored to have him as our new bishop! For more information about his heart and life work, visit this website: <http://www.umc.org/bishops/dr-r-lawson-bryan>. or email him at [LBryan@fumcmontgomery.org](mailto:LBryan@fumcmontgomery.org).

We also express our gratitude to Bishop James King, our bishop for the past 8 years, who has led us with dignity, vision and grace. We wish him and Rose the best in retirement.

Bishop Bryan will officially begin his/her duties as our new bishop in September. We will want to warmly welcome him and his family to South Georgia!

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

We had a great Church Council meeting last week with a wonderful crowd. We heard reports and plans for many of our ministries! Exciting things are happening!

We also introduced our worship leaders for the new service, Trevor Ward and Tyler Giles, who led us in singing hymns and prayer.

We have much to be thankful for. The future of Mulberry Street UMC looks great! Hope you are excited about it all and are inviting your friends, co-workers, family and neighbors to come to Mulberry and join in the excitement!

A copy of the minutes from the meeting will be sent out via email or you can call Linda and ask for a hard copy.

Great things ahead for Mulberry and South Georgia!

Blessings,

# Sunday Worship

July 24, 2016

9:00 am Chapel  
11:00 am Sanctuary

Once Upon a Time:  
Bible Stories You Need to Know —  
‘I’ve Had Enough, Lord’  
1 Kings 19:1-8 (NIV)

Rev. Jimmy Towson

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## Assisting with Worship

### Greeters for July

Meredith Bridges, Judy Hodgens, Heidi Ream,  
Lenore Sell & Julie Yates

### Usher for Nine O'clock

Bill Jackson & Clay Washburn

### Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Art Banks, Waverly Golson, Mel Jamison,  
Martin Magda, Darin McClure, Jason Mott,  
Ed Powell, Doyle Powers, Bert Thompson,  
Ben Vaughn, Tom Woodcock

### Children's Church

Josh & Ashley Carroll (2K/3K)  
Reeves & Julie Minton (4K/5K)

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*The flowers in the chapel are given  
to the glory of God and memory of  
Mrs. Andrew J. Lyndon.*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given  
to the glory of God in loving memory  
of John H. Kennington  
by Charlotte and John Kennington.*

### Attendance Last Week

Nursery	10
Nine O'clock Worship	39
Eleven O'clock Worship	189
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>238</b>

**Mulberry 101**  
**Sundays, August 7, 14, 21 & 28**  
**10:00 am**  
**Conference Room**

Get a behind the scenes look at Mulberry Street UMC and get answers to questions you may have about our church and the Methodist denomination.

### Here's what will be covered:

- The rich history of Mulberry Street UMC.*
- The vision and mission of our church.*
- A brief history of John Wesley, our founder.*
- How are we connected to the United Methodist Church.*
- Why should I join Mulberry Street UMC?*
- What can I expect from the Church?*
- What is expected of me?*

If you have not already joined Mulberry and are interested in doing so, please call Karen Carter (745-8601) to sign up for the class.

**PATHWAYS to Discipleship**  
**Saturday, August 20, 2016**  
**Trinity UMC**  
**Warner Robins, GA**  
**9:30 am – 4:00 pm**

Churches looking for new ideas, networking opportunities and practical quality training for their pastors, members, staff and leaders need to look no further than this year's Pathways event. The 2016 event will kick-off with a special mission focus.

**Childcare:** Safe Sanctuaries compliant childcare for newborn-5<sup>th</sup> grade will be available in the nursery. The cost is \$10 per child, which includes lunch from Chick-fil-A. Please indicate your childcare needs when registering. Pre-registration is required for childcare.

**Registration fee:** \$20.00  
(includes lunch from Chick-fil-A)

Register online at [www.sgaumc.org/pathways](http://www.sgaumc.org/pathways).

**Deadline to register is Sunday, July 24, 2016.**

**Questions:** Please contact Allison Lindsey at [allison@sgumc.com](mailto:allison@sgumc.com) or 888-266-7642.



Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

**Anchored** – Sundays – 5:00 pm

**Anchored Book Club (ABC)**  
12:30pm – Tuesdays

**Middle School Bible Study**  
2pm – Buffalos – Zebulon Rd. – Thursdays



**Children's Center at Mulberry**  
**Needs Your Help!**

The beginning of our school year is fast approaching and we need your help to make this school year as successful as the ones before. The following items are always in high demand throughout the year:

- Copy Paper
- Glue Sticks
- Pens
- White Out
- Construction Paper
- Dry Erase Markers
- Masking Tape
- Scotch Tape
- Wash Cloths
- Paper Clips
- Bibs (New or Gently Used)
- Sharpie Markers
- Packaging Tape

A box in the atrium to collect items for the entire month of August. Donations are greatly appreciated.

memorials  
& gifts

## **M** **accn** **O** **utreach** **F** **und**

*In memory of Richard & Ruth Seegert*  
by Carole R. Seeger

*In memory of Brooks Peterson*  
by Jennifer Peterson

*In honor of Debbie Towson*  
by Dr. & Mrs. Charlie Cloaninger

*In memory of Mrs. Dallis Jones*  
by Mrs. Logan Weaver





Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries



**July 20**  
**5:00-8:00 pm**  
**Free Pizza/Pool Party/Popsides**

Ages 6 and up or accompanied by parent

Location: TBA

RSVP required to

[pjohnston@mulberrymethodist.org](mailto:pjohnston@mulberrymethodist.org)



**August 21, 2016**



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Join us as we celebrate the beginning of a new school year. All kids are invited to bring their backpacks for a blessing and prayer during our 11:00 am worship service.

Third graders will receive their own Bibles.

The following are the students we know who will be entering the third grade. Their names will be engraved on the Bibles, so please make sure we have spelled your child's name correctly.

Elizabeth Leigh Baskette  
Lillian Grace Bender  
Martha Susan Berg  
Abigail Camille Bishop  
Joseph Ellis Bridges  
Virginia Lawton Capps  
Henry Hathcock Carter  
Barbara Reynolds Hefner  
Margaret Waters Jamison  
Veronica Jane Perkins  
Blake Cameron Sharpton  
Lilly Singleton  
Alex Tharp

**If for any reason your child will not be participating in the service, please contact Pam Johnston (745-8601).**



16 oz. Peanut Butter  
Canned Fruit  
Oatmeal (box of individual packets)  
Cereal



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

**Supplies Needed:**

*Sugar Paper Towels Disinfectant Spray (Lysol)*



## **Mission Opportunities**

### **Domestic**

#### **G2G4**

**(Generation 2 Generation)**

*A Mulberry Intergenerational Mission Trip*

**January 13-16, 2017**

**Hinton Rural Center, Hayesville, NC**

**Details soon!**

### **International**

#### **Water Well Mission Trip to Guatemala**

**February 11-18, 2017**

Millions of families lack a nearby supply of fresh, safe water. For us, we simply turn on a faucet. For them, tremendous time and effort is required every single day to meet this basic survival need. Malnutrition, sickness, and shortened life expectancy are common in these areas.

February 11-18, 2017 Mulberry will send a team to drill a well and teach hygiene for a community in Guatemala. This will be Mulberry's 6<sup>th</sup> Living Water International water well installation! Men and women are needed to help out on the drill team, and women are needed to help out with hygiene instruction and arts & crafts. Youth are welcome with adult accompaniment.

Our team is forming now, and we need your help! This will be an incredible experience for all involved. The cost is \$650 plus a nonrefundable \$30 online LWI background check. This price includes all transportation, room, and board.

There are limited spots available!

Please contact Drew Mercer 478-919-3842

[drewmercerc@gmail.com](mailto:drewmercerc@gmail.com)

or Sam Lamback 478-550-3067 [lambacks@bellsouth.net](mailto:lambacks@bellsouth.net)

for more information.

Online resources can be found at LWI's website

[www.water.cc](http://www.water.cc) and at [mulberrymethodist.org](http://mulberrymethodist.org).

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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, July 24

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
 9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
 5:00 pm Covenant Bible Study/Children's  
 Assembly Rm

### Monday, July 25

1:00 pm Cottages on Wesleyan Communion

### Tuesday, July 26

8:30 am Prayer Group/Prayer Rm  
 9:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm  
 12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall  
 12:30 pm Anchored Book Club (ABC)/Buffalos

### Wednesday, July 27

9:15 am CCM Chapel  
 10:30 am M/O Worship/Chapel

### Thursday, July 28

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232  
 9:00 am Staff Planning Mtg/New Town Conf Rm  
 2:00 pm Middle School Bible Study

### Sunday, July 30

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
 9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
 5:00 pm Covenant Bible Study/Children's  
 Assembly Rm



## Budget Report 2016 Gifts and Endowment

Month	Other Revenue	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
<b>Total YTD</b>	<b>406,052.00</b>	<b>107,278.00</b>	<b>572,860.00</b>	<b>(59,531.00)</b>

## Mulberry Community Garden



### Volunteer Gardeners

#### Mondays in the Garden

8:00-10:00 am & 4:00-6:00 pm

#### Thursdays in the Garden

8:00-10:00 am & 4:00-6:00 pm

Questions? Call Jack Head 719-7455

## 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  
 Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian  
 Clifton Carswell & Jeffrey Smith, Custodians  
 Erin Frazier, Director, Children's Center  
 Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach