



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 3, 2016

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## MOVING FROM FEAR TO FREEDOM

Many of us memorized the opening lines to the Declaration of Independence, but do you know the final line? Here it is:

*“And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.”*

Thomas Jefferson, and the other writers, showed tremendous courage and bravery by intentionally placing their names on a document that could result in their deaths. But fear of death did not stop them. They were willing to risk everything because they saw a better future. They were not afraid of the changes and challenges that would follow this monumental decision.

THEIR MOTIVATION: Faith in a better way of life. FREEDOM from tyranny.

The day after this historic document was signed, **John Adams** wrote this to his wife Abigail:

*The second day of July, 1776 (when the motion for independence was passed by the Second Continental Congress), will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.*

Faith in the way things could be lead to one of the most courageous acts in American history. INDEPENDENCE!

*Ships in a harbor are safe, but that's not what ships are built for.*

— John Shedd

What lessons can we learn from these courageous acts of our forefathers who believed in the Divine Providence of God?

Happy 4th of July!





Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries



**WOW Wednesdays!**

**Kid's Summer Fun at Mulberry Street UMC**

**July 6**

**10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Mission Work/Lunch/Sky Zone**

**Ages 6 and up or accompanied by parent**

**Cost: \$15**

**July 20**

**5:00-8:00 pm**

**Free Pizza/Pool Party/Popsicles**

**Ages 6 and up or accompanied by parent**

**Location: TBA**

**RSVP required to**

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

**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**

**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
Total YTD	406,052.00	107,278.00	572,860.00	(59,531.00)



**Watermelons Needed!**

Macon Outreach needs 20 watermelons for their Celebration America Day on Thursday, June 30. Watermelons and be delivered to Macon Outreach or be put in the Macon Outreach basket in the atrium on Sundays!



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**

**Details soon!**

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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, July 3

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary

### Monday, July 4

Church Office will be closed.

### Tuesday, July 5

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 6

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

### Thursday, July 7

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232  
2:00 pm Middle School Bible Study

### Sunday, July 10

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary



## 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*  
*Erin Frazier, Director, Children's Center*  
*Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach*