

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church  
Macon, Georgia

# The Church at Worship

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 14, 2019  
Eleven 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.*



## Entrance and Praise

### Greeting in the Name of Christ

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

### Voluntary

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

J. Bert Carlson

### Call to Worship

We serve the Creator, who loves us into life.

**We follow Christ, who loves us unto death.**

We listen for the Spirit, who loves us into transformation.

**We worship God, whose love knows no bounds.**

*from Call to Worship*

Chris Abbott

### \* Hymn No. 577

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDDA

### Confession and Pardon

It is only by the power of God that we are able to stand against evil.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

**Holy God,**

**we have heard your command to love you,**

**to love our neighbor, and to love ourselves,**

**yet we fall into patterns of shallow devotion,**

**false kindness, and self-doubt.**

**We have heard your call to do justice,**

**to love kindness, to walk humbly with you,**

**yet we're drawn to safety, not justice;**

**apathy, not kindness;**

**pacing, not walking.**

**Hear our prayers, O God.**

**Forgive us for what we have done**

**and for what we have left undone.**

**Hear our prayers, O God,**

**and move us to deeper trust and more faithful action.**

Now stand firm in your faith,

covered by the saving grace of God

and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.

Chris Abbott

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**  
**Thanks be to God.**

## *Proclamation and Response*

### **Children's Moment**

Rev. Julia Norman

*Children are invited to meet on the chancel steps.*

*After the Children's Moment, K-4 and K-5 children are invited to Children's Church in the prayer room and then will be escorted to the nursery. Please ask an usher for directions to retrieve your children after worship.*

### **Choral Call to Prayer**

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

arr. Mark Hayes

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, every joy.

O Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

### **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.**

### **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.**

*Daniel Iverson, OneLicense.net #A-712041*

### **Epistle Reading**

Colossians 1:1-14

Chris Abbott

### **Psalm**

Psalm 82

Doris Granum

Psalm 82 is found on page 804 of the hymnal.  
Please sing the response when indicated and read responsively.

### **\* Gospel Reading**

Luke 10:25-37

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

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

### **Sermon**

*Finding Grace in Unexpected Places*

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

### **\* Hymn 356**

*Pues Si Vivimos (When We Are Living)*

SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

*Please sing the stanzas in English.*

### **\* Affirmation No. 883**

A Statement of Faith  
of the United Church of Canada

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

*This Affirmation is No. 883 in the hymnal.*

### **Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts**

*Invocation*

Charles Callahan

\* **Doxology**

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

**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.**

*Sending Forth*

\* **Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

\* **Hymn of Discipleship No. 419**

*I Am Thine, O Lord*

I AM THINE

\* **Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

\* **Congregational Response**

**Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious bleeding side.**

*Please feel free to remain seated for the closing voluntary. If departing, please be sensitive to those remaining for the concluding music.*

**Closing Voluntary**

*Trumpet Processional in G*

David German

\* *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  
Rev. Julia Norman, Minister for Families & Children  
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist  
Greg Elliott, Soloist  
Chris Abbott, Liturgist  
Alex Stone, Lead Acolyte  
Wilson Brown, Crucifer  
Stebin Horne, Candlelighter  
Julia Magda, Children's Church*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Bill and Cindy Jarrard  
in loving memory of their fathers, James Thomas and Howell Jarrard.*

*Welcome to Mulberry*

Thank you for worshiping 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 available 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](http://www.mulberrymethodist.org) and find us on Facebook.

Please speak to one of the pastors if you are interested in knowing more about membership at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.

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>.

### **Picnic in the Park**

**Amerson River Park – Sunday, July 21 – Eat at 5:30 p.m.**

Come join us for our picnic at Amerson River Park on Sunday, July 21. We'll gather at "The Bluffs," our covered picnic area 2:30-7:00 p.m., and we plan to eat at 5:30 p.m. You might bring a chair or quilt, as well as a snack or soft drinks to share. Hamburgers, hot dogs, lemonade, and water will be provided. No reservations are needed. There is no charge for the picnic, but you will have the opportunity to make a donation. Contact Betsy Abbott for more information.

### **Dominican Republic Mission Team**

Please continue to pray for the Dominican Republic Mission Team, who will return July 17: Steve Allen, Kelsey Andrews, Emily Cadle, Mary Carson, Davis Clark, Elizabeth Clark, Celia Dann, Caroline Dunn, Tyler Giles, Creede Hinshaw, Audie Norman, Hunter Pettis, Katie Ward, and Trevor Ward. Our worship services next Sunday, July 21, will focus on their experiences.

### **Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build**

**2056 Sycamore Street (Pleasant Hill)**

**Saturday, August 3 – 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon**

Our congregation is joining with other groups, including Mercer University and local congregations, to build a home in the historic Pleasant Hill neighborhood this summer. We need your involvement and support. We have committed to giving \$5,000 to support the project; you can mark your gift "Habitat." On Saturday morning, August 3, we will meet to landscape the home. Please contact Jim Manley (478-960-2678) if you are willing to assist with the August 3 landscaping.

### **School Supplies Drive – The Mentor's Project**

Please bring the following school supplies for the The Mentor's Project by Sunday, July 21, and drop them off in the Atrium:

notebook paper – pens (blue or black) in packs of 10 – spiral (1 subject) notebooks – three-hole folders with inside pockets – mesh book bags.

Monetary donations are also accepted. Please make checks payable to Mulberry Street UMC and designate "The Mentor's Project." This opportunity is sponsored by Vibrant Ministry.

### **Mulberry Student Ministries' Summer Food Drive**

Please bring food for the Mulberry Student Ministries' Summer Food Drive by Sunday, July 21, and drop them off in the Atrium. Items especially needed include: cereal, powdered milk, coffee, tea, mayo, mustard, ketchup, pork & beans, canned fruit, rice, pasta, hamburger helper, spaghetti sauce, brownie mix, cake mix, and frosting. Contact Trevor Ward for more information.

### **Youth Week – July 22-25**

Our youth will share the love of Christ by serving others. Service opportunities are Monday-Thursday with morning/afternoon events: July 22, Community Garden; July 23, Macon Outreach Day; July 24, Yard Work and Home Projects. On Thursday the group goes to Wild Adventures! Contact Trevor Ward for more information.