

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 28, 2019
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.*



Entrance and Praise

Voluntary

The Church's One Foundation

Charles Callahan

Greeting in the Name of Christ

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

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Call to Worship

Come, O God, and fill this space.

Come, Holy Spirit, and fill our hearts.

Come, Lord Jesus, and lead the way.

Teach us to worship the living God.

from Call to Worship

Gail Springstead

* **Hymn No. 545**

The Church's One Foundation

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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.

Gail Springstead

**Holy God, hear our prayers.
Your love is constant and your grace abundant.
Forgive us of the help we have not given,
the hospitality we have not offered,
the prayers we have not spoken,
and the faithful steps we have not taken.
Forgive us, God, and through your forgiveness
embolden us to be your servants
in your reign of peace.**

Now stand firm in your faith,
covered by the saving grace of God
and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.

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

Congregational Prayer for Illumination

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Prayers of the People

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

This morning's Prayers of the People are based on the Lord's Prayer, the model prayer for all Christians.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

We draw near to you with all holy reverence and confidence, coming as children to a father able and ready to help us as we pray together and for others. Enable us and others to glorify you in all that we do as we live and work in the creation that displays your power and mercy, and be pleased to dispose all things to your own glory.

Your kingdom come.

We pray that evil's reign may be destroyed and that your grace may be advanced, ourselves and others brought into it, and kept in it, and that the reign of glory may be hastened.

Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

We pray that you, by your grace, would make us able and willing to know, obey, and submit to your will in all things, as the angels do in heaven.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

We pray that you, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins – and we are encouraged to ask this because by your grace we are able from the heart to forgive others.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

We pray that you would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.

For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

We take our encouragement in prayer from you only, and in our prayers we praise you, ascribing kingdom, power, and glory to you.

And to testify of our desire and assurance to be heard, we say, **Amen.**

from The Worship Sourcebook

Epistle Reading

Colossians 2:6-19

Gail Springstead

Psalm

Psalm 85

Doris Granum

Please sing the psalm refrain when indicated:

**Righteousness and peace, righteousness and peace
shall go before the Lord, before the Lord.**

*** Gospel Reading**

Luke 11:1-13

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

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

Sermon

All You Have to Do Is Ask

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

*** Hymn 405**

Seek Ye First

SEEK YE

We will sing the hymn twice.

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 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>.

Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build Saturday, August 3 – 8 a.m.-12 p.m. 2056 Sycamore Street, Macon, GA

Mulberry UMC is joining Mercer University and several other interdenominational congregations from around Macon to build a home in the historic Pleasant Hill Neighborhood this summer and we need your involvement & support. Mulberry has committed to \$5,000 in financial support to be raised primarily through our Sunday school classes. To volunteer for this project, please call the church office at 745-8601 or email Linda at lparker@mulberrymethodist.org. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, July 31. Contact Jim Manley if you have any questions.

Celebration of Holy Communion Sunday, August 4

Promotion Sunday & Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday, August 11

11 a.m. Worship Service

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 a.m. worship service.
Kids, bring your backpacks!

Third Grade Bible Presentation Sunday, August 18

11:00 a.m. Worship

Congregational Luncheon following the 11:00 a.m. service.

Midweek at Mulberry Wednesday, August 21

Supper Line begins at 5:30 p.m.

Children's Choirs - 6:15 p.m.

Youth Fellowship - 6:15 p.m.

Ainsworth Choir – 7:15 p.m.

Pathways

August 24, 2019 @ Trinity UMC, Warner Robins, GA

Join us for new ideas, networking opportunities and quality training at this year's Pathways event.

For more information and to register, go to

www.sgaumc.org/pathways.