

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*First Sunday after Pentecost
June 11, 2017
Eleven O'clock*



Entrance and Praise

Greeting in the Name of Christ

The grace of our Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us worship God.

Opening Voluntary

Komm, Gott, Schöpfer, heiliger Geist, BWV 667 J.S. Bach

Call to Worship

Heidi Ream

No one has ever seen God;

if we love one another,

God lives in us,

and his love is perfected in us.

* Entrance Hymn No. 547

“O Church of God United”

ELLACOMBE

* Opening Prayer

Heidi Ream

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Everlasting God:

You have revealed yourself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
and ever live and reign in the perfect unity of love.

Grant that we may always hold firmly

and joyfully to this faith,

and, living in praise of your divine majesty,

may finally be one in you;

who are three persons in one God,

for ever and ever. **Amen.**

* Affirmation of Faith
The Apostles' Creed

Heidi Ream

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* Gloria Patri No. 71

GREATOREX

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Act of Praise

“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

Ainsworth Choir

arr. Stan Pethel

Proclamation and Response

Children's Moments

Pam Johnston

*Children are invited to meet Pam on the chancel steps.
K-4 and K-5 children will leave for
Children's Church after Children's Moments.*

* Hymn No. 555

“Forward Through the Ages”

ST. GERTRUDE

Prayer for Illumination

Heidi Ream

Let us pray,

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

New Testament Lesson
John 18:15-18; 25-27
Acts 2:36-41

Heidi Ream

The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Belonging to a Victorious Church” Rev. Steve Rumford

Responding to the Word

Prayer

Heidi Ream

Offering of our Gifts

“A Fantasy, Op. 59”

Harold E. Darke

* Doxology

OLD 100TH

**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

Heidi Ream

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 545

“The Church’s One Foundation”

AURELIA

The Light of Christ Goes Into the World

Please be seated after the cross and light pass your pew.

Closing Voluntary

Fantasy on the Hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Piet Post

* Benediction

Rev. Steve Rumford



Rev. Steve Rumford, Guest Preacher
Pat Crowe, Guest Organist
Richard Kosowski, Director of Music
Ainsworth Choir
Lisa Shepard, Ainsworth Choir Conductor
Heidi Ream, Lay Reader
Micah Johnston, Acolyte
Austin Carter & Graham Johnston, Candlelighters

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of her husband Wilton E. Foster
and her sister Esther Ussery and in honor of the members
of the Joy Sunday School Class by June Foster.*

Today's Sermon

“Belong to a Victorious Church”

Today's Scripture

John 18:15-18; 25-27

¹⁵ Simon Peter and another disciple were following Jesus. Because this disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the high priest's courtyard,¹⁶ but Peter had to wait outside at the door. The other disciple, who was known to the high priest, came back, spoke to the servant girl on duty there and brought Peter in.

¹⁷ “You aren't one of this man's disciples too, are you?” she asked Peter. He replied, “I am not.”

¹⁸ It was cold, and the servants and officials stood around a fire they had made to keep warm. Peter also was standing with them, warming himself.

²⁵ Meanwhile, Simon Peter was still standing there warming himself. So they asked him, “You aren't one of his disciples too, are you?”

He denied it, saying, “I am not.”

²⁶ One of the high priest's servants, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, challenged him, “Didn't I see you with him in the garden?”

²⁷ Again Peter denied it, and at that moment a rooster began to crow.

Acts 2:36-41

³⁶ “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”³⁷ When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”³⁸ Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Sermon Notes

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Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.*