

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church  
Macon, Georgia*

# *The Church at Worship*

*Pentecost Sunday*

*June 4, 2017*

*Nine O'clock*



Greeting in the Name of Christ

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us worship God.

Opening Voluntary

“Prelude in Classic Style”

Gordon Young

Call to Worship

And in the last days it shall come to pass, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,

**And your sons and daughters shall prophesy,  
your old shall dream dreams,  
and your young shall see visions.**

When the Day of Pentecost had come,  
they were gathered together in one place.

**And suddenly a sound came from heaven  
like the rush of a mighty wind,  
and it filled all the house where they were sitting.**

And there appeared to them tongues as of fire,  
distributed and resting upon them.

**And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.**

\* Hymn of Praise No. 539

“O Spirit of the Living God”

FOREST GREEN

\* Opening Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

God of grace,

you sent the promised gift of the Holy Spirit  
upon the apostles and the women,  
upon Mary the mother of Jesus and upon his brothers.

Fill your church with power,  
kindle flaming hearts within us,  
and cause us to proclaim your mighty works  
in every tongue,  
that all may call on you and be saved;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

\* Affirmation of Faith  
The Apostles' Creed

**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.**

New Testament Lesson  
Acts 2:1-12 (Selected Verses)

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

Homily  
“Longing to Belong”

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Invitation to the Table

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,  
who earnestly repent of their sin  
and seek to live in peace with one another.  
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God  
and one another.

Confession and Pardon

**Merciful God,  
we confess that we have not loved you  
with our whole heart.  
We have failed to be an obedient church.  
We have not done your will,  
we have broken your law  
we have rebelled against your love,  
we have not loved our neighbors,  
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Free us for joyful obedience,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

Hear the good news:  
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
Glory to God! Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Offering of our Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal Page 13  
*(Communion responses are spoken.)*

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

**Eternal God,  
we give you thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.  
Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

\* Hymn of Discipleship No. 614

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

FOR THE BREAD

\* Benediction

\* *Please stand as you are able.*



*Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor*

*Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries*

*Carol Goff, Guest Organist*

### ***Welcome All Visitors***

*We welcome you to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.*

*Please make sure you sign the **Attendance Register** as it is passed.*

***Nursery Care** is provided for children under 4 years of age.*

*Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.*

### ***Up & Coming Events & Prayer List***

*If you would like to have a copy of*

*Mulberry's Up & Coming Events and Prayer List,*

*please see an usher.*

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**Today's Sermon**  
“Longing to Belong”

**Today's Scripture**  
Acts 2:1-12 (Selected Verses)

<sup>1</sup>When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place.

<sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak. <sup>5</sup>There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. <sup>7</sup>They were surprised and amazed, saying, “Look, aren’t all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them?” <sup>8</sup>How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language?...we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!” <sup>12</sup>They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, “What does this mean?”

**Sermon Notes**

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