



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 28, 2020

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Hello Mulberry!

It is with great excitement that I begin my appointment as the Senior Pastor at Mulberry Street UMC. Mulberry is an amazing congregation with a long history of serving Christ and his kingdom in downtown Macon. I am honored to become a part of that faithful journey. I am grateful to Rev. Creede Hinshaw for his leadership in the last few months, in what has been the most difficult time imaginable for churches, a time when we have not been able to gather as a congregation. I am also grateful to Rev. Jeff Cook for his years of service to Mulberry and the Macon community. I wish him well as he moves forward in his service to the South Georgia Conference by serving as Senior Pastor at Trinity UMC in Warner Robins.

While two staff members are moving on – one moving back into retirement and one to another congregation – there are many staff members who remain at Mulberry. I am grateful to all the persons who have served this congregation so faithfully, both in pastoral and administrative roles, and who will continue to do so going forward. I look forward to becoming a part of this amazing team.

One of the most pressing questions this team is working to try to answer is when we will return to in-person worship. The staff and advisory committees are working together to develop a plan that allows for in-person worship in the safest manner. We are monitoring the latest developments in the spread of Covid19. We have purchased the necessary cleaning and disinfecting supplies. We hope to be able to announce the details of our plan for re-opening the offices and resuming in-person worship and other activities later this week. Please understand that worship will not be quite the same, at least not at first. There will be new practices instituted to help keep us safe and well. There will be pieces of worship such as congregational singing that we will have to postpone until later. Please continue to pray for the persons working to create this plan so that we make wise decisions.

Many people have contacted my husband, Jackson Posey (yes, we do have different last names), and me over the last few weeks. We want to say, “Thank you!” to all who have welcomed us to Mulberry. Your warm welcome in such a difficult time has been received gratefully. We look forward to years of service to and with the people of Mulberry Street UMC.

Nita



Becky Donovan
June 20, 2020



Joyce Martin
June 21, 2020

Link to Joyce's obituary:

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/joyce-martin-obituary?pid=196378018>



Memorial Fund

In memory of Gloria Wynn by

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Riley Mrs. Hariot Lippmann Mr. & Mrs. Gil Thelen
Mrs. Nancy Hiatt Mr. Robert Kane Mrs. Diane Moffett Kellum
Mrs. Lauren Coker Mrs. Cindy Kemp Mr. Bertrand Muller
Ms. Meagan Geza

In memory of Gloria Wynn and in honor of Katie Griffis by

Dr. & Mrs. James Upshaw

In memory of William Sparks by Ms. Rebecca Melton

Macon Outreach Fund

In honor of 2020 High School Graduates from Mulberry Street

UMC by Dr. & Mrs. John Tripp

In memory of Gloria Wynn by Mr. James Rush

The Link

Below is the link to "The Link", a way to keep you informed and connected with what's happening in South Georgia United Methodism and beyond! The Link is published every two weeks, full of Conference news, resources, and event information to keep you up to date and in the know.

<http://sgaumc-email.brtaapp.com/viewinsite/aca974bff983b292ac50e946f1abfc86?>

South Georgia Advocate

The South Georgia Advocate, a twice monthly online news publication, is the official news source of the South Georgia Annual Conference and a ministry of the Office of Connectional Ministries. Here is the link.

<http://sgaumc-email.brtaapp.com/viewinsite/e6df10e030a106bdf9dd01446088c9db?>

Family and Children's Ministry for Summer 2020:

We have great Summer Sunday School resources that we'll be sending out each Sunday morning for your family with children to do at home! Please make sure you are signed up for the Family and Children's Newsletter so you can receive these resources. To sign up click here and fill out the form: <https://www.mulberrymethodist.org/community/children>

We will also send information to that email list with Vacation Bible School resources in July and when we come back for regular scheduled programs it is used for information monthly. Everyone is welcome to sign up and see what the children are learning each week. You can also share it with your family members or neighbors who want updates about Mulberry St. UMC Family and Children's Ministry activities.

Opportunity to Join Mulberry Street United Methodist Church

Are you interested in joining Mulberry Street United Methodist Church? Even during these challenging times with online worship, you may join MSUMC. Please contact the Reverend Creede Hinshaw if you're interested.

**SEEKING A PART TIME
MINISTRY POSITION**

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is seeking one more part time position (15-20 hours/week) to fill Jeff Cook's role. This will be an interim (6-12 months) job. This would involve organization of small groups, developing congregational care teams and prayer teams, coordinating Wednesday Night Suppers, etc. Applicants could be church members. If you are interested, contact Dr. Warren Dunn, Staff Parish Relations Committee, or Nita Crump.