

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*



Palm Sunday

*March 20, 2016
Eleven O'clock*

Palms and Praise

Greeting

Rev. Jimmy Towson

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

Songs of Praise

“Jesus, the King”
“Look! Look!”

Cherub Choir
Ruth Elaine Schram
Nan Grantham

* Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem
Luke 19:28-40

Pam Johnston

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

* Opening Prayer

Georgia Mercer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ,
on this day you received the worship
of those who hailed you as their King.
Accept our praise and adoration,
our worship and love;
and grant that we,
who now confess you with our lips,
may never fail to give you
the service of our lives,
for the honor of your holy name,
for you live and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end. **Amen.**

* Procession with Palms
“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Hymn No. 280
ST. THEODULPH

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. 278
“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

ELLACOMBE

Confession and Pardon

Rev. Tommy Perkins

In honesty and hope, let us now confess our sins to God.

**Jesus, our Lord,
we shout hosannas to praise you.
With eager hands,
we place our cloaks and palms
on the path before you.
Yet Lord,
we confess that the mouths
that seek to praise you often deny or defy you.
And we confess that the hands that seek to serve you
often become fists.
Lord here us as we confess.**

Silent Confession

For Christ came into the world not to condemn the world,
but that the world through him should be saved.

Hosanna! Amen!

Act of Praise
“Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates”

Ainsworth Choir
William Mathias

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates;
and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors;
and the King of Glory shall come in.*

*Who is the King of Glory?
The Lord strong and mighty,
the Lord mighty in battle.*

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates;
and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors;
and the King of Glory shall come in.*

*Who is the King of Glory?
The Lord of Hosts,
He is the King of Glory.*

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Psalms 118:19-29

Madelyn Fackler

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.

**This is the gate of the Lord,
the righteous shall enter through it.**

I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

**The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.**

This is the Lord's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

**This is the day which the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God,
who has given us light.

**Lead the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar!**

You are my God, I will extol you.

**O give thanks to the Lord, who is good;
for God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Sermon
"Lifted Up as King?"

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Prayers of the People

Rev. Bill Culpepper

Minister: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Offering of our Gifts
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Ainsworth Choir
Gilbert Martin

* Hymn of Response

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

TRURO

**Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here!**

* Invitation to Christian Discipleship

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 296

“Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle”

PICARDY

The Light of Christ Goes Into the World

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

Closing Voluntary

March on Handel’s “Lift Up Your Heads”

A. Guilmant

* Benediction

Rev. Jimmy Towson

** Please stand as you are able.*



Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor

Rev. Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor

Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist

Ainsworth Choir

Eldon Lundin, Conductor

Caroline Perkins, Cherub Choir Director

Pam Johnston, Director of Children’s & Family Ministries

Sara Kate Sellers, Lead Acolyte

Micah Johnston, Crucifer

Isabella Ewing & Alex Stone, Candlelighters

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by the Flower Guild.*

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

*Mulberry's Up & Coming Events and Prayer List
is located in the Registration Pads on your pew.*

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Today's Sermon

“Lifted Up as King?”

Today's Scripture

Luke 19:28-40 (NLT)

²⁸ After telling this story, Jesus went on toward Jerusalem, walking ahead of his disciples. ²⁹ As he came to the towns of Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives, he sent two disciples ahead. ³⁰ “Go into that village over there,” he told them. “As you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks, ‘Why are you untying that colt?’ just say, ‘The Lord needs it.’”

³² So they went and found the colt, just as Jesus had said. ³³ And sure enough, as they were untying it, the owners asked them, “Why are you untying that colt?”

³⁴ And the disciples simply replied, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵ So they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments over it for him to ride on.

³⁶ As he rode along, the crowds spread out their garments on the road ahead of him. ³⁷ When he reached the place where the road started down the Mount of Olives, all of his followers began to shout and sing as they walked along, praising God for all the wonderful miracles they had seen.

³⁸ “Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the LORD! Peace in heaven, and glory in highest heaven!”

³⁹ But some of the Pharisees among the crowd said, “Teacher, rebuke your followers for saying things like that!”

⁴⁰ He replied, “If they kept quiet, the stones along the road would burst into cheers!”

Sermon Notes

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