

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 13, 2018

Eleven O'clock



Entrance and Praise

Greeting in the Name of Christ

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us worship God.

Opening Voluntary

Call to Worship

Lee Triesenberg

Come, quench your thirst in the love of God.

**We come, hungering for a place
in which we can be gently nourished.**

Be like trees planted by the streams of living water,
ready to receive God's nourishment.

**Strengthen us, O God,
to receive your blessed peace.**

Hallelujah!

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* Entrance Hymn No. 312

"Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"

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* Opening Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

God of all ages,
the success of your kingdom
does not depend on any one of us,
but on Jesus Christ.

Help us hold firmly on to Jesus
so that neither death,
nor the evil one,
nor our own sin,
nor love of the world can separate us from him.

Your Son stands at your right hand
to pray for each one of us personally,
and not only for us
but for all your followers
still living here on earth.

Give us patience as we wait for your word
to control us and lead us.

Bless those who spread the good news about Christ
to people whose hearts are hardened and cold,
so that they can respond
to the warmth of your love and care. **Amen.**

* Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Jeff Cook

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.**

* Gloria Patri No. 71

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**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

“Shall We Gather at the River”

Ainsworth Choir

HANSON PLACE

arr. John Carter

Celebration of New Life

Recognition of our Infants

Pam Johnston

Patton Emory Hawkins – February 15, 2018
Son of Jason & Allison Hawkins

Caroline Josie Heuman – June 5, 2017
Daughter of Nick & Ashley Heuman

Lisbon Kaye Horne – September 10, 2017
Daughter of Stebin & Roos Horne

Wade Austin Myers – January 4, 2017
Son of Billy & Callie Myers

Luke Oscar Swain – September 8, 2017
Son of Jason & Jayme Swain

Call to Thanksgiving

Rev. Jimmy Towson

As the family of God
we rejoice in God's gift of life
through the miracle of birth.
We join with these families,
as their extended family here at Mulberry,
in embracing these children
with open arms,
just as Jesus welcomed little children,
and their parents with grace and blessing.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

**Loving God,
we give you thanks for your presence with us
in the presence of these children and families.
We celebrate that your abounding love
is already at work in these families.
Strengthen us to be the Body of Christ
that together,
we all may be formed
into the very image of our Risen Lord;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

* Hymn No. 445

"Happy the Home When God is There"

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*Children age 5K and under are invited to leave
for children's church after the Hymn.*

Proclamation and Response

Scripture Reading

Lee Triesenberg

Psalm 1:1-6

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Jimmy Towson

"Never Withering"

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Ainsworth Choir

"Devotion"

John Ness Beck

* Doxology

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Sending Forth

* Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Jeff Cook

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 526
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" CONVERSE

The Light of Christ Goes Into the World
Please be seated after the cross and light pass your pew.

Closing Voluntary

* Benediction Rev. Jimmy Towson

* *Please stand as you are able.*



*Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor
Richard Kosowski, Director of Music
Pat Crowe, Organist
Ainsworth Choir
Lee Triesenberg, Lay Reader
Matt Newberry, Lead Acolyte
John Morgan Manley, Crucifer
Wilson Brown & Akins Manley, Candlelighters*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of their grandson, James A. Berg IV
and their parents, Anne and James Berg
and Mary and Tom Williams by Martha and Jimbo Berg.*

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Today's Sermon
"Never Withering"

Today's Scripture
Psalm 1:1-6

- ¹ Oh, the joys of those who do not
follow the advice of the wicked,
or stand around with sinners,
or join in with mockers.
- ² But they delight in the law of the LORD,
meditating on it day and night.
- ³ They are like trees planted along the riverbank,
bearing fruit each season.
Their leaves never wither,
and they prosper in all they do.
- ⁴ But not the wicked!
They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind.
- ⁵ They will be condemned at the time of judgment.
Sinners will have no place among the godly.
- ⁶ For the LORD watches over the path of the godly,
but the path of the wicked leads to destruction.

Sermon Notes

Previous Sermons Available Online

*If you are interested in listening to previous sermons,
please visit our website at www.mulberrymethodist.org
on the home page click on "Media" and sermons
are found on the right side of the page.*

If You Are New to Mulberry

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

Welcome to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

*We are grateful for your presence and invite you to
participate in our worship, growth opportunities
and service life here at Mulberry. Our hope is that you
will find this church to be a warm,
caring community that you can call home.*

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staff and other events by visiting our website at
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