

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*Pentecost Sunday
May 24, 2015
Eleven O'clock*



ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

Gathering and Greeting

Rev. Tommy Mason

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us worship God!

Opening Voluntary

“O Day Full of Grace”

Caitlin Dowling

Michael Burkhardt

Call to Worship

Amy Dever

In rushing wind, in cleansing fire...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

In courage found, in strength renewed...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

In visions born, in dreams restored...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

In hopes rekindled, in fears released...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

In the church's sudden birth, in possibilities untold...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

In rushing wind, in cleansing fire...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

* Entrance Hymn No. 539

“O Spirit of the Living God”

FOREST GREEN

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God of wind and flame,
ignite a fire in our hearts
on this day of Pentecost,
and fill us with your courage and power.

Pour out your Holy Spirit
on your people around the world,
that our young people may have visions,
and our elders dream dreams.

Blow into our lives,
and renew us as a people of faith,
that we might spread the good news
of your saving love,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who taught us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

* Affirmation of Faith

A Modern Affirmation

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is the one true church,
apostolic and universal,
whose holy faith let us now declare:

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed
to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance
from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God
may come upon the earth. Amen.**

Act of Praise
"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

Ainsworth Choir
arr. Johnson

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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. 420

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

TRENTHAM

* Gospel Lesson

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Amy Dever

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

Sermon

Rev. Tommy Mason

"Pentecost: Back to the Beginning...Now!"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Response to the Word

"Abide, O Spirit of Life"

David Haas

Chris Abbott, Soloist

Congregation may sing the refrain as directed.

Bill Huebsch

David Haas

Let peace fill our hearts, let love fill our minds.
 Make us lov - ing dis - ci - ples of Christ. So
 may we be one, so may we be yours. A -
 bide, O Spir - it of life!

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Prayer

Rev. Tommy Perkins

Offering of our Gifts

* Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, 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

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 331

“Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us”

FOR THE BREAD

* The Light of Christ Goes Into the World

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

*As the light of Christ is carried out into the world,
you are invited to remain seated for a few minutes
of personal reflection to prepare to re-enter that world.*

*Consider prayerfully how God has been present to you
in worship this morning and how you can be present for him
in the world this week.*

“Veni Creator Spiritus” - Benoit

* Benediction

* *Please stand as you are able.*



Rev. Tommy Mason, Senior Pastor

Rev. Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor

Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor of Youth Ministries

Caitlin Dowling, Assistant Organist

Ainsworth Choir

Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Amy Dever, Lay Reader

Trey Powell, Lead Acolyte

Savannah Stone, Crucifer

Micah Johnston & Alex Stone, Candlelighters

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Mr. Andrew Lyndon.*

It has been a joy to have Caitlin Dowling with us at Mulberry for the past five years as she pursued her undergraduate and graduate degrees at Mercer. During her time here she has been active in the Ainsworth Choir, served as organ assistant and assisted with both children's choir and youth choir. We are grateful to Caitlin for the time and talent that she has so graciously shared with us.

Caitlin will be leaving at the end of this month to begin a position as organ intern at West End UMC in Nashville. Though she'll be here through the last Sunday in May, today is the last time she'll be playing the organ for us. I'm certain you join me in sending her off wrapped in our love and prayers and best wishes as she begins this new chapter in her life.

Cam Bishop

Gospel Reading for the Week

Mark 7:1-23

Up & Coming Events & Prayer List

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

Welcome All Visitors

*We welcome you to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.
We are glad you have joined us this morning and hope
that through word, music, fellowship and prayer,
you will experience the presence of God today.*

*Please make sure you sign the **Attendance Register** as it is passed
so that we can share with you about what's happening
in the life of this church.*

***Nursery Care** is provided for children under 4 years of age.
Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.*