

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*First Sunday after Pentecost
May 27, 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

Mickey Pope

To God be all glory,
the One who visits us in three persons,
the Holy Trinity of hope and love.

For there is no place which is without you, O God,
and no time when you are not there.
**For you are the beginning and the end,
the source of all that is.**

You take us by the hand and lead us,
**and show us that life
is stronger than death.**

In the Holy Spirit, we are gifted, again and again,
and are called onwards toward a future
**in which we are surrounded
with love and grace.**

We praise and worship you, O God,
for there is no other God like you.

* Entrance Hymn No. 64
“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

* Opening Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

O God,
we are gathered here
under the shelter of your wings,
nurtured by your motherly love,
and encouraged, then,
to fly by faith on the wind of your spirit.
You have spoken to us, saying
“They that wait upon the Lord,
shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings as eagles.”
Teach us how to wait, then,
that we may learn how to fly.
May this nest we call “family”
be built with sturdy materials.
Don’t let us forget, though,
that this nest was not created
as a fortress behind which to hide,
but as a perch from which to take off.
And strengthen us with the assurance
that we do not fly alone.
This we pray, in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**
(written by Peter L. Haynes)

* 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

GREATOREX

**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.**

Proclamation and Response

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.*

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

**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.**

Old Testament Lesson
Isaiah 40:28-31

Rev. Jimmy Towson

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

Sermon
"Soaring"

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Act of Praise

"On Eagle's Wings"

Ainsworth Choir

Michael Joncas

(Please join the refrain UMH #143)

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts
"Morning Has Broken"

BUNESSAN

* Doxology

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Sending Forth

* Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Rev. Jeff Cook

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 159
"Lift High the Cross"

CRUCIFER

Sacrament of Holy Baptism
Billy King

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church,
reaffirm both your rejection of sin
and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith
and include Billy now before you
in your care?

**With God's help, we will proclaim the good news
and live according to the example of Christ.**

**We will surround Billy
with a community of love and forgiveness,
that he may grow in his trust of God,
and be found faithful in his service to others.**

**We will pray for him that he may be a true disciple
who walks in the way that leads to life.**

Reception into Membership
Billy and Sandra King

Commendation and Welcome

Members of the household of God,
We commend Billy and Sandra to your love and care.
Do all in your power to increase their faith,
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**We give thanks for all that God
has already given you
and welcome you in Christian love.
As members together with you in the body of Christ
and at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the church
by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service, and our witness
that in everything God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ.**

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
Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries
Mickey Pope, Lay Reader
Matt Newberry, Lead Acolyte
Graham Johnston, Crucifer
Evan Bogle & Austin Carter, Candlelighters*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given
to the glory of God and “Love for the sheer joy of loving”
in memory of Bill Hurdle by his wife Betty S. Hurdle,
Harriett Wade, Caroline Calvert,
Bill Hurdle, Jr. and John Lough Hurdle.*



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.*

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

Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.

*To keep up with Mulberry Street UMC's events, services and more
we invite you to visit us at www.mulberrymethodist.org
and find us on Facebook.*

Connect with us Online

*You can learn more about our church community,
staff and other events by visiting our website at
www.mulberrymethodist.org.*

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Today's Sermon

“Soaring”

Today's Scripture

Isaiah 40:28-31 (NIV)

²⁸ Do you not know?

Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary,
and his understanding no one can fathom.

²⁹ He gives strength to the weary
and increases the power of the weak.

³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary,
and young men stumble and fall;

³¹ but those who hope in the LORD
will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.

Sermon Notes

Previous Sermons Available Online

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on the home page click on “Media” and sermons
are found on the right side of the page.