

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

*Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 26, 2019
Eleven O'clock*

*As you enter this holy space and begin to make the transition from "getting here" to "being here,"
you are encouraged to use these moments to become aware of the quiet places within
so that you are ready to worship God. Please silence your cell phones.
Come, let us worship God.*



Entrance and Praise

Greeting in the Name of Christ

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Voluntary

God of the Ages

David Schak

Call to Worship

May God be gracious to us and bless us, and make God's face to shine upon us,
that God's way may be known upon earth, God's saving power among all nations.

Let all the people praise God; let all the people sing praise!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for God judges the peoples with equity
and guides the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise God; let all the people sing praise!

from Call to Worship

Christi James

*** Entrance Hymn No. 698**

God of the Ages

NATIONAL HYMN

Confession and Pardon

The Spirit of God helps us in our weakness,
interceding with sighs too deep for words. Romans 8:26

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

God of mercy, hear our prayers.

**We want to be generous like your servant Lydia,
but we fear that we will not have enough.**

**We want to be transformed like your servant Paul,
but we worry that we are beyond your grace.**

**We want to be loving like our savior Jesus,
but we wonder whether we are good enough for your call.**

God of mercy, forgive our sins.

God of mercy, hear our prayers.

Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.
Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Acts 2:17, 21

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Thanks be to God.

Christi James

Choral Response*Psalm 139*

Allen Pote

Lord, you have searched me and known me. O Lord, you know everything I do. When I rise up, when I lie down, you are with me through and through. Before a word is on my tongue, you know what I will say. Your presence follows me day by day.

Where can I flee from your spirit? Where can I go to run away? If I go to heaven, or live in hell, you are there.

Search me, O God, and know me; try me and know my heart. See if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

Proclamation and Response**Children's Moment**

Doris Granum

Children are invited to meet on the chancel steps.

After the Children's Moment, K-4 and K-5 children are invited to Children's Church in the prayer room and then will be escorted to the nursery. Please ask an usher for directions to retrieve your children after worship.

Solo*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

John B. Dykes

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

*** Hymn (back page)***Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

MELITA

First Reading

Acts 16:9-15

Chris Abbott

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-10, 22-22:5

Chris Abbott

Hymn No. 723*Shall We Gather at the River*

HANSON PLACE

Please rise in body or spirit when indicated.

Stanza 1 – soloist

Please rise in body or spirit.

Stanza 2 – all

Stanza 3 – men and boys

Stanza 4 – all

*** Gospel Reading**

John 14:23-29

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.****Sermon***A Peace Like No Other*

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

*** Affirmation No. 887***Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39**This affirmation is No. 887 in the hymnal.***Offering of our Tithes and Gifts** *Shall We Gather at the River*

Charles Callahan

*** 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. Dr. Matt Woodbery
- * **Hymn of Discipleship No. 706** *Soon and Very Soon* VERY SOON
- * **Benediction** Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery
- * **Congregational Response**
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King...
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.

Please feel free to remain seated for the closing voluntary. If departing, please be sensitive to those remaining for the concluding music.

Voluntary *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Paul Manz

* *Please rise in body or spirit.*

*Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**.*


Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery, Lead Pastor
Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Ainsworth Choir
Chuck Huber, Bass-Baritone
Christi James, Lay Reader
Matt Newberry, Lead Acolyte
Austin Carter, Crucifer
Jack Carter & Stebin Horne, Candlelighters
Melinda Powell, Children's Church

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Rev. William H. Hurdle, Jr. and Betty Hurdle by their daughter Harriet Hurdle Wade.*

Celebrate the Day of Pentecost (June 9)!

Please plan to wear red on June 9, the Day of Pentecost. We'll celebrate the Holy Spirit's descending on the disciples 10 days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection. The color red reminds us, "They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them" (Acts 2:3).

Please plan to worship at Mulberry Street UMC (or another church if you're traveling) on June 9.

Welcome to Mulberry

Thank you for worshiping with us today! We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in Mulberry's worship and our opportunities for growing through education, fellowship, and mission. We hope you find our congregation to be a warm and caring community.

Please sign the Attendance Register as it is passed.

Nursery Care is available for children younger than age 4. Please ask an usher for directions.

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.

Please speak to one of the pastors if you are interested in knowing more about membership at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.

Our 11:00 am worship service is broadcast live over radio station AM 940 WMAC. You can download the Sunday bulletin at <https://mulberrymethodist.org/media>.