

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*November 1, 2015
Eleven O'clock*



ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

Gathering and Greeting

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Grace to you and peace from God,
who is and who was and who is to come,
and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead,
and the ruler of the kings of the earth. **Amen.**

Opening Voluntary
“Andante” (Violin Sonata 2)

Betsy Fitzgerald, Harp
Bach/Grandjany

Procession of the All Saints Banner

Please stand as the banner passes your pew.

* Entrance Hymn No. 711
“For All the Saints”

SINE NOMINE

* Opening Prayer

Rev. Bill Culpepper

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

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship,
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord.
Grant us grace
so to follow your holy saints
in all virtuous and godly living,
that we may come to those unspeakable joys,
which you have prepared for those
who sincerely love you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Act of Praise

Ainsworth Choir

“Then We’ll Sing Hallelujah”

Mack Wilberg

*I have some friends before me gone who love to sing hosanna,
And I’m resolved to travel on, for I love to sing hosanna,
For we have but the one more river to cross,
And then we’ll sing hosanna,
For we have but the one more river to cross,
And then we’ll sing hosanna.*

*One army of the living God, we love to sing hosanna,
Part of the host have crossed the flood who love to sing hosanna.
For we have but the one more river to cross,
And then we’ll sing hosanna,
For we have but the one river to cross,
And then we’ll sing hosanna.*

*Amen, amen, my soul replies, I love to sing hosanna,
I’m bound to meet you in the skies, where we will sing hosanna.
For we have but the one more river to cross,
And then we’ll sing hosanna,
Hosanna, hosanna, and then we’ll sing hosanna,
hosanna, hosanna, and then we’ll sing hosanna.*



*Children age 6 and under are invited to leave for
children’s church at this time.*

REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

A Jewish Prayer

Mary Hurt

In the rising of the sun and in its going down,
we remember them.

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,
we remember them.

In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring,
we remember them.

In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer,
we remember them.

In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,
we remember them.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends,
we remember them.

When we are weary and in need of strength,
we remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart,
we remember them.

When we have joys we yearn to share,
we remember them.

So long as we live, they too shall live,
for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.

Naming of the Saints

Rev. Jimmy Towson

*Let us remember those from this congregation
who now share the triumph of Christ.*

Jean Etheridge Chafin

November 21, 2014

George Erwin Jones, Jr.

April 16, 2015

Charles Jackson Castellaw

December 11, 2014

Frances Smith Kite

April 21, 2015

Joyce Paul

January 3, 2015

Bena Ballard Williamson

May 9, 2015

William H. Hurdle, Sr.

January 24, 2015

Pinkney "Pink" Persons, Jr.

May 25, 2015

James Fowler "Jim" Lawton

February 13, 2015

Margaret J. Tucker

June 18, 2015

Walter Warren Cox

February 18, 2015

Maitland McCord Hudson

August 5, 2015

Alton "Al" D. Greenway, Sr.

March 13, 2015

Lillian Kelly Mahone

September 11, 2015

C. W. "Handy" Hancock

March 13, 2015

Marie Doss Harris

September 22, 2015

Wendell Wright Barnes

March 15, 2015

Christen Elizabeth "Betsy" Lewis

September 27, 2015

Mary Jane League

April 15, 2015

Frank Edwards

October 6, 2015

Prayer of Remembrance

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Let us pray.

We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who,
having finished their course, now rest from their labors.

Give us grace to follow the example
of their steadfastness and faithfulness,
to your honor and glory;
through Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

* Hymn No. 702

"Sing With All the Saints in Glory"

HYMN TO JOY

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Old Testament Lesson

Mary Hurt

Isaiah 25:6-9

Response: The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Homily

Rev. Jimmy Towson

"No Flashlights!"

Invitation to the Table

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

**We confess our inclination, O God,
to sense that we are alone in the faith.
We neglect the history of those who have gone before us;
we take for granted their perseverance;
we have lost touch with the wisdom
that would lead us to life.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord.
Call to mind our mothers and fathers in the faith,
who ran the race before us,
and let us draw strength from their examples.**

Silence

God has not given us a spirit of fear,
but of love and power and self-discipline.
Let us remember the goodness of God
in the lives of the saints,
and let us draw strength
from the cloud of witnesses that surrounds us.
Thanks be to God!

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Offering of our Gifts Harry Ward, Violin
“Siciliano” (Sonata I) J. S. Bach

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

* The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal Page 13
(Communion responses are spoken.)

The Lord’s Prayer

Breaking the Bread

Giving of the Bread and Cup

*Communion will be served by intinction.
The altar is open for prayer.
Please let an usher know if you need to be served in your pew.*

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.
**Eternal God,
we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

* Closing Hymn No. 715

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

DARWALLS’S 148th

* The Light of Christ Goes Into the World

* Benediction

Rev. Jimmy Towson

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
Amen.

* *Please stand as you are able.*



Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries
Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist
David Keith, Conductor
Ainsworth Choir
Betsy Fitzgerald, Harp
Harry Ward, Violin
Taylor Yasui, Cello
Mary Hurt, Lay Reader
Savanna Stone, Lead Acolyte
Emma Johnston, Communion Steward
Sara Kate Sellers, Crucifer (All Saints)
Will Smith, Banner Bearer
Elizabeth Sellers & Alex Stone, Candlelighters

*The floral arrangement is given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of those who are so reverently honored today.*

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.*

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

Gospel Reading for the Week

Mark 13:27-37

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
“No Flashlights!”

Today's Scripture
Isaiah 25:6-9 (NRSV)

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Sermon Notes

Previous Sermons Available Online

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