



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 22, 2015

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## Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 24, 2015

7:00 pm

Mulberry Street U M C

### **Bite Sized Desserts Needed!**

*Lemon squares, pecan sandies, brownies, wedding cookies...*

*please bring your favorite dessert to share after the Interfaith worship service.*

*Desserts may be brought to the church kitchen on Monday & Tuesday, November 23 & 24.*

*Call Betsy Abbott, 745-8601 if you have questions.*

**\*\*\* Nursery will be provided. \*\*\***

# Sunday Worship

November 22, 2015

9:00 am Chapel  
11:00 am Sanctuary

Invest & Invite Week 3 –“How To”  
John 1:40-44 (NIV)

Rev. Jimmy Towson

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## Assisting with Worship

**Usher for Nine O'clock**  
Clay Washburn

**Ushers for Eleven O'clock**  
Art Banks, Waverly Golson, Mel Jamison,  
Martin Magda, Darin McClure, Jason Mott,  
Ed Powell, Doyle Powers, Bert Thompson,  
Ben Vaughn & Tom Woodcock

**Children's Church**  
Clay & Hayes Capps (2/3K)  
Reeves & Julie Minton (4/5K)

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The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rita Heger by her son, Harold Downs.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joseph T. Jones by Col. and Mrs. Joe Jones.



**Gospel Reading for the Week**  
Mark 14:53-72

### Attendance Last Week

Nine O'clock Worship	50
Eleven O'clock Worship	246
Total Worship Attendance	296
Sunday School	179

# MUSIC News

Cam Bishop, Director of Music

## Christmas Dates for Calendars

**Sunday, December 6 at 5 PM**  
Children's Choir Plum Pudding Festival  
**Sunday, December 13 at 11 AM**  
Ainsworth Choir Christmas Music with Brass & Strings



**Sunday, November 22**  
**10:00 am - Fellowship Hall**  
**"Iris Cambodia"**  
Mary Grace Rumford will be speaking about her ministry in Cambodia.



Rev. Bill Culpepper,  
Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

**Anchored**  
Sundays - 5:00 pm  
**Youth Fellowship**  
Wednesdays - 6:15 pm



The Church Office will be closed  
Thursday & Friday,  
November 26 & 27  
for Thanksgiving Holidays.  
See back page for pastoral contacts for emergencies.



## Poinsettias for Advent

Every Christmas the church is filled with beautiful poinsettias in honor and memory of those we love. The poinsettias are \$30.00 each and will be placed around the church during Advent and on Christmas Eve. If you would like to order a poinsettia please fill out and [submit the following form](#) by **December 7<sup>th</sup>**. Make checks payable to *Mulberry Street UMC* and remit with the form below to Lenore Sell, 387 Hines Terrace, Macon, GA 31204. If you have any questions, please call Lenore (745-6068) or Millie Murray (361-6004.) The poinsettias may be picked up after the 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Service or Lenore will make arrangements for you to pick them up earlier.

The deadline for poinsettia purchases is December 7.

Poinsettias will be placed in the church by  
December 12, 2015

**PROCEEDS TO GO TO MACON OUTREACH**

### Poinsettia Order Form (PLEASE PRINT)

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_ or in honor of (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given by: (PLEASE PRINT)  
(Please include a phone number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## memorials & gifts

### Memorial Fund

In memory of Lillian Kelly Mahone by  
Mr. & Mrs. Everett Drinnon

In memory of Frank Edwards by  
Mrs. Lois McLain



Joe and Christina Stephens presented their daughter Anna Jane Stephens for Holy Baptism on Sunday, November 15, 2015 at the 11:00 am worship service.



We received over **100** boxes for Operation Christmas Child! It's a beautiful sight from a giving congregation! **Thank You** from Marilyn Armstrong and the children who will receive these boxes!



Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries

# Christmas CAMP

**December 5**

9:00 am - 1:30 pm

Kids ages 3-10

Cost: \$15

Ornament making, Advent Devotion, Games, Singing,  
Lunch, Holiday movie

RSVP by December 2 - Space is limited!

## Family Advent at Mulberry

### Plum Pudding Festival

**December 6**

5:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

*Come hear the children's choirs sing and enjoy plum pudding cake by our beautiful family tree. It will be one of the best blessings you experience all year!*

### Family Caroling

**December 13 - 4:00 pm**

### Children's Nativity

**December 20 - 11:00 am** Worship

### Family Christmas Eve Service

**December 24 - 3:00 pm** - Sanctuary

*(If you want your child to participate in the Children's Nativity on December 20<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>, please let Pam know by Thanksgiving.)*

## Budget Report 2015

Month	Revenue	Expense	Net	Endowment	
				Revenue	Net
Jan	65,946	96,592	(30,646)	0	(30,646)
Feb	83,166	105,627	(22,462)	0	(22,462)
Mar	102,146	113,483	(11,337)	6,000	(5,337)
Apr	86,112	107,031	(20,919)	6,000	(14,919)
May	98,658	99,700	(1,042)	6,000	4,958
Jun	74,263	113,841	(39,578)	6,000	(33,578)
Jul	80,661	104,878	(24,217)	6,000	(18,217)
Aug	97,141	106,791	(9,650)	6,000	(3,650)
Sep	96,572	120,975	(24,403)	6,000	(18,403)
<b>Total YTD</b>	<b>784,664</b>	<b>968,918</b>	<b>(184,255)</b>	<b>42,000</b>	<b>(142,255)</b>



## Please help Macon Outreach this Thanksgiving Season

Donations of pies, turkeys or money are needed.

Lots of volunteers are also needed!

In order to make final meal preparations, please deliver your

Thanksgiving turkeys by Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Donations are accepted between 8:00 am and 3:00 pm.

Please call Debbie, 743-8026 if you are able to make a donation or to sign up as a volunteer.



### Macon Outreach Community Christmas Celebration

**Wednesday, December 16**

**11:00 am - Fellowship Hall**

## DAYBREAK

There is a bucket in the atrium to receive donations to Daybreak.

Supplies Needed:

Paper Towels Bathroom Tissue Spray Deodorant Disinfectant/deodorizing  
Spray (Lysol) Baking Soda Men's Crew Socks Disposable Razors



### *Celebrate the Season at Mulberry*

**Sunday, December 6**

**Plum Pudding Festival**

5:00 pm Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, December 13**

**Ainsworth Choir Christmas Music with Brass & Strings**

11:00 am Sanctuary

**Family Caroling**

4:00 pm

**Wednesday, December 16**

**Macon Outreach Community Christmas Celebration**

11:00 am Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, December 21**

**Service of the Longest Night**

5:00 pm Sanctuary

**Thursday, December 24**

**Christmas Eve Services/Sanctuary**

3:00 pm **Family Christmas Eve Communion Service**

4:30 pm **Music of the Season**

5:00 pm **Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service**

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Our 11 a.m. service is broadcast live  
over Radio Station AM 940 WMAC.



Rev. Jimmy Towson (538-9067)  
Rev. Tommy Perkins (615-691-3171)  
Rev. Bill Culpepper (803-673-7860)

## This Week at Mulberry

### Sunday, November 22

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
9:45 am Sunday School  
9:45 am Combined Sunday School –  
Mary Grace Rumford/F-Hall  
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
5:00 pm Confirmation Class  
5:00 pm Anchored

### Monday, November 23

1:00 pm Cottages on Wesleyan Communion  
5:00 pm Finance Committee Mtg/Conf Rm

### Tuesday, November 24

8:30 am Prayer Group/Prayer Rm  
10:00 am CCM Training/Parlor  
10:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm  
12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall  
7:00 pm Interfaith Thanksgiving  
Service/Sanctuary

### Wednesday, November 25

9:15 am CCM Chapel  
10:30 am M/O Worship  
12:30 pm Centering Prayer

### Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27

Church Office Closed – Thanksgiving Holidays

### Sunday, November 29

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
5:00 pm Confirmation Class



### Advent Study "Why This Jubilee?"

Advent Sundays: November 29<sup>th</sup>, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup>  
3:00-4:00 pm

Facilitated by Rev. Tommy Perkins

Individual daily readings for this group study will begin Black Friday (November 27<sup>th</sup>)  
and last through Longest Night Sunday (December 20<sup>th</sup>)

\*\*\*Introductory Session will be at 4:00 pm this Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>  
in the church parlor if you have questions\*\*\*

Book Cost \$12.00 and you must contact [tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org](mailto:tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org)  
to order your book before Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>.

No singing ability is required for this study.

From the Upper Room publishing description: Music is such an important part of  
Advent and Christmas. Can you imagine Advent without "O Come, O Come,  
Emmanuel"? How about Christmas without carols like "O Little Town of Bethlehem,"  
"Silent Night," and "Joy to the World"? It pleases the Lord Jesus when we sing of his  
coming with carols we know by heart, and it pleases him even more when we think  
about the words we are singing. With reflections on well-known carols and Christmas  
songs, Rev. Dr. James Howell explores the birth of Jesus. He ponders the meaning  
of certain phrases from these songs and relates them to our daily lives.

### Mulberry Street UMC Staff

Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor  
Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor  
Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries  
Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist  
Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries  
Betsy Abbott, Director of Hospitality Erin Frazier, Director, Children's Center  
Ann Smith, Spiritual Director Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach  
Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary  
Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian  
Custodians  
Clifton Carswell Jeffrey Smith