

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
November 5, 2017
Eleven O'clock*



Entrance and Praise

Greeting in the Name of Christ

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.**

“Processional”

Grayston Ives

Procession of the All Saints Banner in Silence
Please stand as the banner passes your pew.

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

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* Opening Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

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

Loving God,
we your saints gather to worship
and praise you this day.
We celebrate the saints who have served you
and have been an example for us
throughout the past.
We give you thanks for the joy of being a part
of the communion of saints
with those who have gone before
and those scattered around the globe.
Open us to your Spirit to continue being the saints
you have called us to be.
In Christ’s name we pray. **Amen.**

Act of Praise
"Agnus Dei" from *Requiem*

Ainsworth Choir
Gabriel Fauré

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world:
Grant them eternal rest.
Eternal light shine upon them, O Lord,
With your saints forever, for you are kind.
Eternal rest give them, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them.*



***Children age 5K and under are invited
to leave for children's church after the Act of Praise.***

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.*

Grace Elizabeth Hix
November 17, 2016

Geraldine Hogue
March 31, 2017

Cubbedge Snow, Jr.
December 4, 2016

Ruth Jennings
April 14, 2017

Jace Moss
December 9, 2016

Jason Borage
May 13, 2017

Jeanette Gunn
December 13, 2016

Dole Donovan
May 15, 2017

Henry Tucker Clay
December 23, 2016

Mary Elizabeth Phillips
June 2, 2017

Gloria Hall
February 24, 2017

Ben Bowdre
June 15, 2017

Jim Weldon
February 12, 2017

Mac Stout
June 15, 2017

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.**

Proclamation and Response

* New Testament Lesson
Matthew 5:1-12

Mary Hurt

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

Sermon Rev. Jimmy Towson
What's the Good News?: "Blessedness"

Invitation to the Table Rev. Jimmy Towson

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.

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you
with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news:
 Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
 that proves God’s love toward us.
 In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God! Amen.

The Peace

Rev. Jimmy Towson

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

Offering of our Gifts

Ainsworth Choir Interns

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Giovanni Pierluige da Palestrina

Thanksgiving and Communion

* The Great Thanksgiving

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Sung responses. Musical Setting C.

Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blest is the One who comes, in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Breaking the Bread

Giving of the Bread and Cup

Communion will be served by intinction.
After receiving communion,
you are welcome to go to the altar for prayer.
Please let an usher know
if you need to be served in your pew.

Prayer after Communion

Rev. Jeff Cook

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

* Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Jeff Cook

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 614
“For the Bread Which You Have Broken” FOR THE BREAD

The Light of Christ Goes Into the World
Please be seated after the cross and light pass your pew.
Postlude on “All Saints New” Healey Willan

* Benediction Rev. Jimmy Towson

* *Please stand as you are able.*

Gluten-free Communion Wafers

*Gluten-free communion wafers are available
on the chancel steps pulpit side.*

Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor

Pat Crowe, Organist

Richard Kosowski, Director of Music

Mary Hurt, Lay Reader

Bill & Cindy Jarrard, Lay Communion Servers

Louise Watson, Bread Baker

Matt Newberry, Banner Bearer

Maddie McClure, Lead Acolyte

Elizabeth Sellers, Crucifer

Mary Caroline Bushway & Graham Johnston, Candlelighters

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

If You Are New

*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!

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Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.

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Today's Sermon

What's the Good News?: "Blessedness"

Today's Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12

- ¹One day as he saw the crowds gathering, Jesus went up on the mountainside and sat down. His disciples gathered around him,
²and he began to teach them.
³"God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him,
for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.
⁴God blesses those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
⁵God blesses those who are humble,
for they will inherit the whole earth.
⁶God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice,
for they will be satisfied.
⁷God blesses those who are merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
⁸God blesses those whose hearts are pure,
for they will see God.
⁹God blesses those who work for peace,
for they will be called the children of God.
¹⁰God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right,
for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.
¹¹"God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie
about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are
my followers. ¹² Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward
awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were
persecuted in the same way.

Sermon Notes

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click on "Media" and scroll down to "Sermons".