

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
November 17, 2019
Eleven O'clock



Entrance and Praise

Greeting in the Name of Christ

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Mulberry Moment

Being Followers of Jesus

John & Marlina Rogers

Voluntary

Call to Worship

Psalm 136:2, 4-9

Doris Granum

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

**All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.**

Give thanks to the God of gods, **for God's mercy endures forever;**
who alone does great wonders, **for God's mercy endures forever;**
who by wisdom made the heavens, **for God's mercy endures forever;**
who spread out the earth upon the water, **for God's mercy endures forever;**

**All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.**

who made the great lights – **for God's mercy endures forever;**
the sun to govern the day, **for God's mercy endures forever;**
the moon and the stars to govern the night, **for God's mercy endures forever.**

* **Entrance Hymn No. 147**

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

* **Opening Prayer**

Doris Granum

Loving God, we come to worship you today.

We come to sing, pray, and listen.

You always hear us. Help us to hear you. Amen.

from the Worship Sourcebook

Act of Praise

Everywhere I Go

Natalie Sleeth

Everywhere I go the Lord is near me. If I call upon him, he will hear me.
Never will I fear, for the Lord is near everywhere I go.

In the dark of night should things alarm me, ever in his sight, no ill may harm me.
I will be of cheer for the Lord is near everywhere I go.

He is with me day by day. He will be my strength and stay.
From his path I will not stray but follow in his way.

In the coming days of joy or sadness I will praise his name with songs of gladness,
for to me it's clear that the Lord is near everywhere I go.

Proclamation and Response

Children's Moment

Rev. Julia Norman

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.

Congregational Call to Prayer

**O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

**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.**

Prayer for Illumination

Mark Dehler

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we will hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

*** Gospel**

Luke 21:5-19

Mark Dehler

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Old Testament

Isaiah 65:17-25

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Sermon

*BEING FOLLOWERS OF JESUS
11. Followers' Faith Is Known by All*

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Come Dwell in Solomon's Walls

Z. Randall Stroope

When the final timber lay 'gainst the measured stones, when the doorposts in their place overlaid with gold, the Lord appeared to Solomon, blessing all the house, also the temple of the ark of God, pure and whole.

Come dwell in Solomon's walls. Come and dwell in the house of the Lord, where the humble bow down, seeking wisdom and strength, for the Lord dwells within and heals their land.

Come dwell in Solomon's walls. Come and dwell in the house of the Lord, where wisdom and righteousness, justice and holiness, join at the feet of God.

When the people of this house kneel and humbly pray, when they turn from dark to light and your will obey, O Lord of heaven and Lord of earth, show favor on this house, and heal, restore, forgive, and bless, Lord, we pray.

*** Doxology**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Please note we are using the Doxology from Hymn No. 94.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sending Forth

*** Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

*** Hymn No. 729**

O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines

JERUSALEM

Welcome of New Members

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* **Benediction**


Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* **Congregational Response**

**Then enemies shall learn to love, all creatures find their true accord;
the hope of peace shall be fulfilled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.**

* *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. Julia Norman, Minister for Families & Children
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Cherub, Wesley, and Ainsworth Choirs and Assistants
Caleb Esmond, Piano
Avery Morris, Flute
Doris Granum, Liturgist
Mark Dehler, Reader
Akins Manley, Lead Acolyte
Katherine Dent, Crucifer
Mary Caroline Bushway & Piper Bushway, Candlelighters*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Clare and Wesley Rauls.*

Being Followers of Jesus

Worship/Sermon Series:

November 17: ***Followers' Faith Is Known by All*** – Isaiah 65:17-25

November 24: ***Followers Follow Christ Jesus*** – Colossians 1:11-20

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. The church newsletter is sent out electronically to all members for whom we have email addresses. If you are not receiving the electronic newsletter, please share your email address on the Attendance Register as it is passed. You may also include other changes or additions for contact information.

Children's church is open to children in Kindergarten and under after the Children's Moment each week. Please see our nursery staff or volunteer on the front row to check your child in and receive your Nursery pickup tag. Nursery is available for the entire service for children below Prekindergarten. Please see an usher for assistance in locating our 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.

Please speak to one of the pastors if you are interested in knowing more about membership at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church. If you would like to join with a group, today is Joining Sunday.

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

Up and Coming at Mulberry Street UMC

Wednesday, November 20

Midweek at Mulberry

Program: Give Thanks for the Past – Carolyn Kennedy Dominy
5:30 p.m. Serving line begins
6:15 p.m. Children's Choirs (grades K4 – 5)
Youth Fellowship (grades 6-12)
Family Connection Group
7:15 p.m. Ainsworth Choir

Sunday, November 24

Being Followers of Jesus: November 24: ***Followers Follow Christ Jesus*** – Colossians 1:11-20

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 26 – 7:00 p.m. – Temple Beth Israel



Celebrating Advent and Christmas at Mulberry

Theme: What Can't Wait?

Hanging of the Greens Service

Wednesday, December 4

Supper at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Service at 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Join your Mulberry family in this beautiful service of prayer, scripture and music as we prepare our hearts and minds for Christ's coming. Please bring your favorite dessert to share after the service in the Parlor.

Christmas Camp

Friday, December 6

5:00-9:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

Dinner and Christmas crafts included - \$10 per child or \$20 per family
RSVP to Julia Norman at jnorman@mulberrymethodist.org by December 4.

Special Music

Sunday, December 8 – 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Advent Masterworks for Choir & Orchestra

Sunday, December 15

Family Caroling – 4:00 p.m.

Wear your festive Christmas outfits and come caroling to spread some Christmas cheer to our elderly and homebound members! We'll meet at Springdale Elementary school parking lot, caravan together to carol and then gather for "Dutch treat" dinner at Ingleside Village Pizza.

Sunday, December 22

Children's Nativity

11:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Eve Services – Sanctuary

3:00 p.m. – Candlelight Communion Service (*especially mindful of children*)

4:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Prelude

5:00 p.m. – Candlelight Communion Service

Sunday, December 29

One Worship Service @ 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. – Fellowship for All – (Sweet Rolls & Coffee) – Fellowship Hall

11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary