

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 4, 2018

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 Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us prepare our hearts for worship.

Voluntary
"Shall We Gather at the River" Charles Callahan

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

* Entrance Hymn No. 79 (Stanzas 1-4)
"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" GROSSER GOTT

* Opening Prayer Rev. Jeff Cook

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.

* Congregational Response
*Children ages 5K-Grade 2 are invited to leave
for Children's Church during the Congregational Response.*

**Holy God, we praise thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before thee;
all the earth thy scepter claim;
all in heaven above adore thee.
Infinite thy vast domain;
everlasting is thy reign.**

Remembrance of the Saints

A Jewish Prayer

Mary Hurt

Naming of the Saints

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

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

Emily Parker

November 2, 2017

Tom Wagoner

April 25, 2018

Charles R. White

December 18, 2017

Joseph H. Jones

April 26, 2018

Cater Snow Clay

December 27, 2017

Rita Minter

May 17, 2018

Zenna Crawford

February 28, 2018

Richard “Rick” White, Jr.

July 6, 2018

Lolita Rutland

March 2, 2018

Nadine Simpson

August 5, 2018

Carlton Hunnicutt

March 3, 2018

Robert E. “Bob” Fountain

August 8, 2018

Mary Lovett

March 15, 2018

Ben Brannen

August 31, 2018

T. Baldwin Martin, Jr.

April 24, 2018

Eugene “Buzz” Walton

October 21, 2018

Barbara Every

April 25, 2018

Gostin Freeney

October 30, 2018

Prayer of Remembrance

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

**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

Congregational Prayer for Illumination

Hymn No. 598 (Stanza 1)

“O Word of God Incarnate”

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**O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O light of our dark sky:
we praise you for the radiance
that from the hallowed page,
a lantern to our footsteps,
shines on from age to age.**

Old Testament Reading
Isaiah 25:6-9

Mickey Pope

New Testament Reading
Revelation 21:1-6a

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Homily
“A Vision of New”

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Thanksgiving and Communion

* Hymn No. 723

“Shall We Gather at the River”

HANSON PLACE

Invitation to the Table

Rev. Jeff Cook

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

Rev. Jeff Cook

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!

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Glory to God! Amen.

The Peace

Rev. Jeff Cook

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

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

arr. Dan Forrest

*My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;
for thee all the follies of sin I resign.*

*My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

*I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death,
and praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath;
and say when the death dew lies cold on my brow,
if ever I loved thee, Jesus, 'tis now.*

*In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

William R. Featherstone, 1864

* The Great Thanksgiving

Hymnal, page 17

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.**

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Communion Music

“Elegy”

G. T. Thalben-Ball

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

Hymn No. 711

“For All the Saints”

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*Please remain seated for the extended introduction
and then stand with the choir to sing.*

* Benediction

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* Congregational Response

**From earth’s wide bounds,
from ocean’s farthest coast;
through gates of pearl streams
in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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

Closing Voluntary

“A Festive Trumpet Tune”

David German

* *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**.*

Gluten-Free Communion

Because our table is open to all,
we serve gluten-free communion bread.



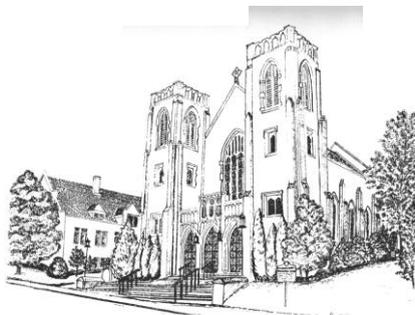
*Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery, Lead Pastor
Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Ainsworth Memorial Choir
Anderson Romero, Trumpet
Mickey Pope, Lay Reader
Bill & Cindy Jarrard, Lay Communion Servers
Judy Hodgens, Bread Baker
Maddie McClure, Lead Acolyte
Ben Jamison, Crucifer
Rho Bridges & Henry McClure, Candlelighters
Emerson Toles, Communion Steward
Alex Stone, Banner Bearer*

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

Today's Scripture

Revelation 21:1-6a

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
“See, the home^[a] of God is among mortals.
He will dwell^[b] with them;
they will be his peoples,^[c]
and God himself will be with them;^[d]
⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.”
⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶ Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”



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 provided for children younger than age 4. Please ask an usher for directions to the 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.

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>.