Mulberry Street United Methodist Church Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

Stewardship Sunday October 18, 2015 Eleven O'clock



ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

Gathering and Greeting

Rev. Jimmy Towson

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you. Let us worship God!

Songs of Praise

"God Wants Us to Praise Him"
"That is Why I Sing"

Cherub Choir (K3-K5) Ruth Elaine Schram Lynn Shaw Bailey

* Entrance Hymn No. 89

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

* Psalm 150

Rev. Bill Culpepper

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise God in his mighty firmament!

Praise God for his mighty deeds;

praise God for his exceeding greatness!

Praise God with trumpet sound;

praise God with lute and harp!

Praise God with tambourine and dance;

praise God with strings and pipe!

Praise God with sounding cymbals;

Praise the Lord!

praise God with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

* Gloria Patri No. 71

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

A Prayer for True Singing

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

Glorious God,

source of joy and righteousness, enable us as redeemed and forgiven children evermore to rejoice in singing your praises.

Grant that what we sing with our lips
we may believe in our hearts,
and what we believe in our hearts
we may practice in our lives;
so that being doers of the Word and not hearers only,
we may receive everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Wesley Choir (Grades 1-5)

Act of Praise
"Psalm 100"
"Be Still and Know"

Wesley Choir Dennis & Nan Allen Lynn Tracey

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

* Hymn No. 140

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

Ron Knight

Old Testament Readings

Genesis 12:1-5 (NIV)

Zechariah 8:13 (NLT)

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Jimmy Towson

"Why Mulberry?" \$28,500 Week 3

* Presentation of Commitment Card

You are invited to sing the following hymn as you come forward and place your commitment card in the basket.

"For the Fruits of This Creation"

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(All standing and singing)

For the fruits of this creation, thanks be to God; for good gifts to every nation, thanks be to God; for the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done; in the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done; in our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Offering of our Gifts "Look at the World"

Ainsworth Choir John Rutter

* Doxology

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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!

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 98 "To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

* The Light of Christ Goes Into the World

Please be seated after the cross and light pass your pew.

As the light of Christ is carried out into the world, you are invited to remain seated for a few minutes of personal reflection to prepare to re-enter that world.

Consider prayerfully how God has been present to you in worship this morning and how you can be present for him in the world this week.

"Prelude in C Major (BWV547a) J. S. Bach

*Benediction

Rev Jimmy Towson

^{*} Please stand as you are able.



Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor of Youth Ministries
Cam Bishop, Director of Music
Richard Gress, Guest Organist
Ainsworth Choir
Harold Chapman, Conductor
Caroline Perkins, Cherub Choir Director
Ron Knight, Lay Reader
Emma Johnston, Lead Acolyte
Jake Jamison, Crucifer
Graham Johnston & Hampton Tiller, Candlelighters

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Warren Roberts.

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 13:1-4

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

"Why Mulberry?" \$28,500 Week 3

Today's Scripture

Genesis 12:1-5 (NIV)

The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." So Abram left, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Haran.

Zechariah 8:13 (NLT)

Among the other nations, Judah and Israel became symbols of a cursed nation. But no longer! Now I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing. So don't be afraid. Be strong, and get on with rebuilding the Temple!

Sermon Notes

Previous Sermons Available Online

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