



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 4, 2015

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WHY MULBERRY?

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OCTOBER 4 | OCTOBER 11 | OCTOBER 18

You should know by now that I love the question “Why?” I’ve been asking that question a lot lately, and plan to continue. So, here are a few “Why” questions for you:

Why would 100’s of people drive past other great churches in our area every Sunday just to worship at Mulberry Street UMC?

Why would people give above their regular tithes and offerings to financially support Macon Outreach?

Why would parents entrust their most precious gifts to the care of the staff at the Children’s Center at Mulberry?

Why do those who move far away from Macon maintain their church membership here at Mulberry?

Why has Mulberry been an anchor of hope in our community for almost 190 years?

Why Mulberry? That’s the question we will answer during the next 3 weeks.

If someone asked you “Why Mulberry?”, what would you say? Why do you love this church so much? Why this church? Why not somewhere else for you and your family? Why do you keep coming week after week to this downtown traditional church?

Why do YOU continue to worship, serve, pray, sing, even cry, at Mulberry Street UMC?

I want to know your “Why Mulberry?” Send me an email to jtowson@mulberrymethodist.org to share your “why”. Why not do it now?

Love you guys!

Sunday Worship

October 4, 2015

9:00 am Chapel

11:00 am Sanctuary

"Why Mulberry?"

\$28,500 Week 1

1 Peter 2:4-10 (NLT)

Rev. Jimmy Towson



Assisting with Worship

Usher for Nine O'clock

Sam Henley & David Ivey

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Steve Allen, Jeff Amerson, James Berg, JB Easterlin, Eric Hefner, Bill Henderson, Bill Jarrard, Bob Lovett, Bob McCormick, David Morris, Wesley Rauls, Rader Sellers, Russ Vaughn

Children's Church

Joel & Kathryn Ginaldi (2/3K)

Steve & Brooke Kinross (4/5K)



The arrangement on the altar is given to the glory of God by the Flower Guild.



Marie Harris

September 22, 2015



Gospel Reading
for the Week

Mark 12:18-34

Attendance Last Week

Nine O'clock Worship	41
Eleven O'clock Worship	236
Total Worship Attendance	277

MUSIC News

Cam Bishop, Director of Music

I'm so pleased to have Richard Gress filling in for me at the organ for the next few Sundays while my broken toe heals. Richard is from New Hampshire, and is a Mercer freshman studying organ with Jack Mitchener. He is a talented young man and we are fortunate to have him step in and cover our services in such a professional manner. I hope you'll introduce yourself to him and give him a warm welcome to Mulberry.

Children's Choirs Singing Dates

Wednesday, October 14

A Mulberry Day of "Spirits of Macon"

Thursday, October 8

(Sponsored by Young at Heart)

All are invited to a mid-day luncheon and program featuring Mulberry's own Steve Bell now the new Director of Riverside Cemetery Conservancy. Following the meal, Steve will bring us a program highlighting Riverside's Spirits in Macon which is a very popular community event running evening showings throughout October. Make your reservations by calling the church office, 745-8601 or emailing lparker@mulberrymethodist.org no later than Monday, October 5.

Mulberry 101

Are you interested in learning more about Mulberry Street UMC?
Are you considering joining the church?
Join Jimmy Towson for a 3-week Mulberry 101 class.

Sundays, October 4, 11 & 18
9:45-10:45 am - Conference Room
Call the church office,
745-8601 to sign up for the class.



October 7

Menu:

Chicken Tenders

Children's Menu:

Chicken Tenders
Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches
2% Milk & Apple Juice

Program:

Wear your orange and black and come meet Mercer Men's Basketball Coach Bob Hoffman



Rev. Bill Culpepper,
Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

Anchored

Sundays - 5:00 pm

Youth Fellowship

Wednesdays - 6:15 pm



**WORLD
COMMUNION
SUNDAY**

World Communion Sunday Homebound Communion

This World Communion Sunday, October 4 following the 11:00 service in the sanctuary, volunteers will extend the table of the sacrament of Holy Communion with those unable to come to church on their own. You are invited to participate in this very meaningful ministry and sharing of our Lord's Table to Mulberry's homebound members. If you are willing to be part of this as well as give up to 77 minutes between 12:30 and 5:00pm to our homebound members, please contact Tommy Perkins at tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org or 745-8601 no later than Wednesday, September 30. If you are, or know of a member of Mulberry who would like to receive Holy Communion at their home on October 4, please contact the church office so Tommy Perkins can coordinate the visit.

Volunteers Needed 6th Annual Evening of Hope - Methodist Home

October 8, 2015

6:30-8:30 pm

Volunteers are needed to help serve food and greet guests for the Evening of Hope fundraiser dinner on October 8 in the Rumford Center. Coach Dan Reeves will be the speaker, so it will be a great night of fellowship. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Lacey Brantley, 751-2898.



To Emory and Mary Charles Dunn & family in the death of Emory's mother, Elizabeth Dunn on September 23, 2015.



Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries



Confirmation Class 2015- 2016

Remember in your prayers the following kids as they begin their Confirmation classes this month.

This is an important time in their spiritual growth as they prepare for their commitment to claim God's gift of grace, salvation and joyful life in the church.

Confirmands

Cooper Basket te
Gunn Bush, I V
Austin Carter
Olivia Coleman
Isabella Ewing
Maddie Fackler
Will Fackler
Langley Fickling
Carys Fonner
Ben Jamison
Graham Johnst on
Akins Manley
Olivia Mann
Georgia Mercer
Niklas Odet te

Mentors

Emory Dunn
Baxter James
Gordon Johnst on
Paige Mann
Brooke Kinross
Marianne Lokey
Vaughan Smith
Rob Evans
Freeda Chapman
Paul Riley
Creede Hinshaw
Rader Sellers
Courtney Basket te
Nita Smith
Becky Kerner
Xavier Tarbox
Jake Jamison
Joseph Drigger s
Gracie Bell
Isabel Newberry
Reilly Brown
Ames Jamison
Micah Johnst on
Emma Johnst on
Alex Newberry
Joseph Whitten
Matt Newberry
Savannah Stone
Sarah Kate Sellers
Ashley English



Sunday, October 18
4:30-6:30 pm
Courtyard

Activities for all ages!
inflatables cupcake walk face painting
costume contest hayride

Apple Pie and Chili Contest
and more!

*(Bring your Pie or Chili to the kitchen by 5:00 pm
to be entered in the contest.)*

Canned good donations will be accepted to benefit
Macon Outreach.



Volunteer to Register Our Clients for Lunch
11:00-12:00

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
Warm and friendly faces Apply!!!

If you'd like to volunteer call Robin or Debbie
at 478-743-8026

or email dtowson@mulberrymethodist.org

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



Living Water Well

Mission Trip to Nicaragua

PRICE DROP Announcement! October 24-31 we are sending a team to drill a well and teach hygiene for a community in need. The cost is \$1000 + \$29 online LWI background check. Spots are currently available!

Please contact Drew Mercer (478) 919-3842

or drewmercer@gmail.com and visit www.water.cc.



Wednesday Morning Bible Study at Riverside UMC

September 16 – October 28, 2015
and January 13 – February 24, 2016
10:30-11:30 am

Edith Schwartz will lead the
Wednesday Morning Bible Study
at Riverside UMC in a study of The Gospels as
depicted in the stained glass windows
of Mulberry Street UMC.

Budget Report 2015

Month	Revenue	Expense	Net	Endowment Revenue	
	<u>Net</u>				
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)
Total YTD	688,092	847,943	(159,852)	36,000	(123,852)

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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, October 4

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Mulberry 101/Conference Room
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
4:00 pm Charge Conference/Riverside
5:00 pm Confirmation Class
5:00 pm ANCHORED

Monday, October 5

6:00-9:00 pm AADD Meeting/F-Hall

Tuesday, October 6

8:30 am Prayer Group/Prayer Rm
10:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm
12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall
5:30 pm Parenting Class Bible Study/Rm 323
7:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, October 7

9:15 am CCM Chapel
10:30 am M/O Worship
12:30 pm Centering Prayer
5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
6:15 pm Children's Choirs
6:15 pm Youth Fellowship
7:15 pm Ainsworth Choir

Thursday, October 8

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232
10:00 am Board of Pensions/Rm 323
12:00 pm Young at Heart Luncheon/F-Hall
6:30 pm Grace Circle

Sunday, October 11

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Mulberry 101/Conference Room
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
5:00 pm Confirmation Class
5:00 pm ANCHORED



memorials & gifts

Music Fund

*In honor of Jimmy & Betsy Abbott by
Mr. & Mrs. John Abbott Ms. Sara Colvin*

*In honor of Eleanor Castellaw by
Mrs. Betty Morris Miss Beth Castellaw*

In honor of Greg Elliott by Mr. Harold Downs

In honor of Bob Ogden by Ainsworth Choir

In memory of Lillian Mahone by Dr. & Mrs. R. A. Peace

Memorial Fund

In memory of Lillian Mahone by

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Henderson Dr. Linda N. Harris

Dr. & Mrs. Doug Dozier Ms Margie Hughes Mr. & Mrs. G. Boone, III

Claire Smith Mr. Zeke Rhodes Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Sullivan

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Monroe, III Mr. & Mrs. Bob Hardeman

Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Williams Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Braswell Mrs. Kay S. Greer

Mr. & Mrs. John Willingham Mr. & Mrs. Joe Jones Mr. & Mrs. Roland Stroberg

Mr. Chandler Pike

Macon Outreach Fund

In memory of Jim Thomas by

Chris & Melinda McLendon Ray & Carolyn Kennedy Dominy

In honor of Johnny Hathcock by

Cloydia Dixon Charles H. Yates Frances Inzer

In honor of Norma Tucker by Mulberry Street UMC Guilds

In memory of Frances Krieger Kamensky by Bob & Carole Lovett

In honor of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Chanin by Bob & Carole Lovett

In memory of Lillian Mahone by Becky Donovan

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