

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

*Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
October 21, 2018
Nine 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.*

Voluntary
“Prayer”

Léon Boëllmann

Greeting in the Name of Christ

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us worship God.

Call to Worship
Psalm 87:1-3

Ronald Campbell

On the holy mount stands the city he founded;
the Lord loves the gates of Zion
more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

**Glorious things are spoken of you,
O city of God.**

Come, let us worship God!

* Hymn No. 731
“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

AUSTRIA

* Opening Prayer

Ronald Campbell

**Fount of every blessing,
all we have or ever hope to possess,
all we accomplish or ever hope to achieve,
comes from you.**

**In the assurance of your salvation
and the joy of your unfailing care,
help us call all peoples and nations back to you.
We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

* Doxology

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Epistle Lesson
Hebrews 5:1-10

Ronald Campbell

* Gospel Lesson
Mark 10:35-45

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

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

Sermon
“The Presumption of Glory”

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* Affirmation of Faith
The Apostles’ Creed

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 530
“Are Ye Able”

BEACON HILL

* Benediction

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

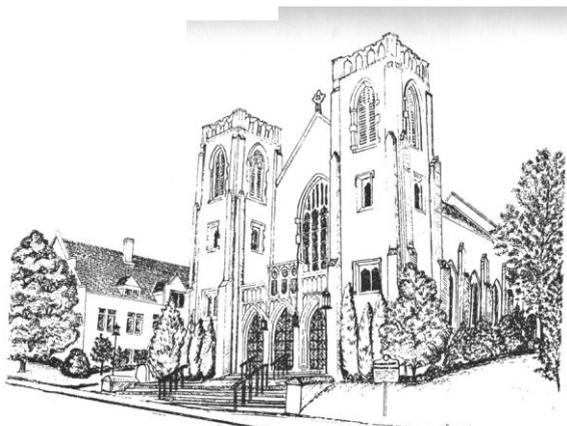
* *Please rise in body or spirit.*

*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
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Ronald Campbell, Bass-Baritone and Lay Reader*

*The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Jerry & Jackie Stinchcomb
by Tim and Melissa Anderson.*



Welcome to Mulberry

Thank you for worshipping 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>.

Today's Scripture

Mark 10:35-45

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹ They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³ But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

John Wesley Moments

Rev. Dave Hanson

(Reprinted from the South Georgia Advocate,
<https://www.sgaumc.org/advocate.>)

John Wesley had his "Heart Warming Experience" on May 24, 1738, on Aldersgate Street in London at a German prayer meeting. It transformed his understanding of salvation. Soon he was preaching all across England and Scotland in churches, parks, and wherever a crowd could gather.

He returned to Epworth, his home town, and attended St. Andrew Church, his home church. His father, Samuel served this church for 39 years. John was baptized in St. Andrew Church. He offered to preach there, but the rector who had replaced John's father said, "No!" So John worshipped in the pew. The pastor preached against "Enthusiasm." The sermon was directed at John Wesley.

At the conclusion of worship, a friend announced that Rev. John Wesley would be preaching in the afternoon in the church cemetery. That afternoon a large crowd gathered. John climbed atop his father's grave which was an elevated tomb. He proclaimed the good news of God's love and forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

John preached there for two weeks to large and increasing crowds. He said that he did more good in those two weeks at Epworth than he had done in the two years he had served with his father earlier. He said the reason was that when he was there earlier, before his Aldersgate Experience, he did not think the people had any need to repent.

How many of us today have forgotten how to call people to repentance and faith?

Bible Study Options

Sunday Evening Women's Bible Study

5:00 pm - Home of Molly Walker (4336 Old Club Road)

All women are welcome.

Contact: Molly (478-731-7175) or mollywalker@cox.net.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

6:15 am - Starbucks at 4640 Forsyth Road

Contact: Clare Rauls (478-731-6813)

or clarerauls@bellsouth.net.

Small Groups

Sunday Morning NewRoom Small Group

11:15 am - Contact: Jim Smith (478-747-4189)

Monday Evening Small Group

5:30-7:00 pm - Young Professionals Group (Ages 23-35)

Contact: Trevor Ward (478-607-9003) for meeting place.

Tuesday Evening Small Group

6:30-8:00 pm - Home of Sam & Gini Lamback

(821 Wesleyan Drive)

Contact: Rev. Sam and Gini Lamback (478-550-3067) or

lambacks@bellsouth.net.

United Methodist Women's Circles

Esther Circle

Meets: 1st Thursday of the month

at Noon in the Church Parlor

Contact: Mary Anne Gaudry at 478-477-0638 or magaudry@cox.net.

Grace Circle

Meets 2nd Thursday of the month

at home of circle members at 6:30 pm.

Contact: Marilyn Armstrong at 478-335-8363 or marilynarm@cox.net.

Paula Motes Circle

Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month

at 4:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Contact: Dianne Greene at 478-474-1038 or dkg0221@cs.com.