

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

World Communion Sunday

October 7, 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
Rev. Rosemary Grattan

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

Gathering Music

“Cantad al Señor”

Brazilian Folk Melody

Please join the choirs using the music and text on the insert.

Call to Worship

Rev. Jeff Cook

The God of creation makes us one in body!

**Let us join our hearts and voices
in praise to the Lord!**

The God of Christ makes us one in the Spirit!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

* Entrance Hymn No. 64

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

NICAEA

* Opening Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

God of life,

**thank you for calling us to belong to something
so much bigger than ourselves.**

Thank you for your church in all times and places.

We pray that all who come to worship today

may sense that the gospel of Christ

is so much bigger than this congregation.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

* Congregational Response

O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.

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O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.

O sing to our God, O sing to our God.

*Children age 5K and under are invited to leave
for Children's Church after the Congregational Response.*

Proclamation and Response

Congregational Prayer for Illumination (insert)

"Holy, Holy, Holy – Santo, Santo, Santo" Argentine Folk Song

The choirs will sing once in English.

*Please join them singing two more times in English
and then two times in Spanish.*

Holy, holy, holy.

My heart, my heart adores you!

My heart knows how to say to you:

You are holy, Lord. *(congregation sings twice)*

Santo, Santo, Santo.

¡Mi corazón te adora!

Mi corazón te sabe decir

¡Santo eres Señor! *(congregation sings twice)*

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Rev. Jeff Cook

Psalm

Psalm 8

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Homily

"You're Not Thinking Big Enough"

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Thanksgiving and Communion

* Hymn No. 432

"Jesu, Jesu"

CHEREPONI

Invitation to the Table

Rev. Rosemary Grattan

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 sins
before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

Rev. Rosemary Grattan

Across the barriers that divide race from race:

reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers that divide rich from poor:

reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers that divide people of different cultures:

reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers that divide Christians:

reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers that divide men and women,
young and old:

reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

**Confront us, O Christ,
with the hidden prejudices and fears
that deny and betray our prayers.
Enable us to see the causes of strife,
remove from us all sense of superiority.
Teach us to grow in unity with all God's children.
Amen.**

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!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God! Amen.**

The Peace

Rev. Rosemary Grattan

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

Offering of our Gifts

"Yesu Kwetu ni Rafiki"

arr. Mark Burrows

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Yesu kwetu ni Rafiki
What a friend we have in Jesus.
Maombi asikia.
Take it in prayer.

* The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sung Communion A (pages 17-18)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**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

"Come to the Table" Barbara Hamm
The soloist will sing the first line. Please join in singing.

Soloist: Come to the table of . . .

**All: Come to the table of . . .
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of . . .**

"You Are Holy, You Are Whole" Per Harling

Prayer after Communion

**God, who nourishes us for the journey,
it is strengthening to know that
as we have gathered at your table today,
your people throughout the world
are offering praise and thanksgiving
as bread and wine are shared.
May the mystery of your presence,
experienced in our worship,
bind us together into one worldwide community.
Amen.**

Sending Forth

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 548
"In Christ There Is No East or West" McKEE

* Benediction Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* Congregational Response

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.
Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.
The hosts of God in unity combine.
Lift high the cross . . .
*This response is Hymn 159.***

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

Closing Voluntary

Fanfare on

Charles Callahan

In Christ There Is No East or West

* *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**.*

Parts of today's liturgy are taken from The Worship Sourcebook.

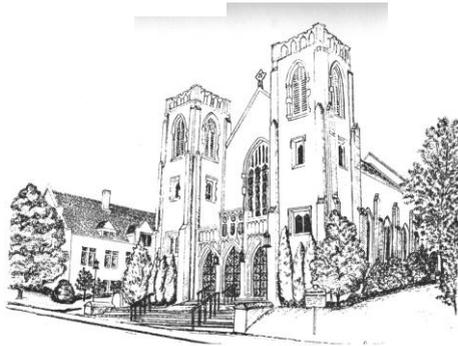
Gluten-Free Communion

We offer only gluten-free bread for communion. Our United Methodist practice of the open communion table can be a point of pride, but we unintentionally may be excluding those among us who are gluten intolerant. Often those affected by this condition, about 1 in 100 of us, quietly remain absent on Communion Sundays or stay seated, rather than to call attention to themselves or "be a bother." Our faithful team of bakers use a gluten-free recipe specially developed to reflect the flavor and texture of the communion bread to which Mulberry is accustomed. If you detect any difference, please consider it an act of grace, in the knowledge that "Since there is one loaf of bread, we who are many are one body, because we all share the one loaf of bread." I Corinthians 10:17


Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery, Lead Pastor
Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor
Rev. Rosemary Grattan, Missionary,
UM General Board of Global Ministries
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Ainsworth Memorial Choir
Youth Ensemble
Wesley Choir
Katie Trotter, Violin
Caleb Esmond, Piano
Steve Moretti, Percussion
Whitney Mooney, Lay Communion Server
Martha Linkous, Bread Baker
Maddie McClure, Lead Acolyte
Davis Uren, Crucifer
Henry McClure & Alice Rauls, Candlelighters
Maddie McClure, Communion Steward

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

Rev. Rosemary (Rosie) Charmaine Grattan will assist in worship leadership. An elder ordained in the Rio Texas Conference, Rosie is coming from Austin, Texas, and has been assigned to House of the Carpenter, Wheeling, West Virginia, a nonprofit affiliated with the West Virginia Conference of the UMC, where she will be responsible for developing programs that will hopefully facilitate mentoring relationships for those living in poverty or other tough circumstances. Her heart "lies with helping the poor and empowering those otherwise disenfranchised, to know the new life available in Jesus Christ."



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.

New members will be received on October 21. If you or someone you know is considering church membership, this will be a great time to join Mulberry. Please speak to one of the pastors if you are interested in knowing more about membership.

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.

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

Psalm 8

- ¹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.
- ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
- ⁴ what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals^[a] that you care for them?
- ⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God,^[b]
and crowned them with glory and honor.
- ⁶ You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,
- ⁷ all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
- ⁸ the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- ⁹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!