

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 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!

Opening Voluntary

Richard Gress, Organist

“Wenn Wir in Höchsten Nöten Sein”

J.S. Bach

Call to Worship

Kelly Stone

Trust in the Lord and do good.

May the Lord give strength to the people!

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

God is our refuge and strength.

* Entrance Hymn No. 529

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

* Opening Prayer

Rev. Bill Culpepper

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

We believe, O Lord,

that you have not abandoned us
to the dim light of our own reason
to conduct us to happiness,

but that you have revealed in Holy Scriptures
whatever is necessary for us to believe and practice.

How noble and excellent are the precepts,
how sublime and enlightening the truth,
how persuasive and strong the motives,
how powerful the assistance of your holy religion.

Our delight shall be in your statutes,
and we will not forget your Word. **Amen.**

* Affirmation of Faith

A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church

**We believe in the one God,
creator and sustainer of all things,
Father of all nations,
the source of all goodness and beauty,
all truth and love.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
God manifest in the flesh,
our teacher, example, and Redeemer,
the Savior of the world.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
God present with us for guidance,
for comfort, and for strength.**

**We believe in the forgiveness of sins,
in the life of love and prayer,
and in grace equal to every need.**

**We believe in the Word of God
contained in the Old and the New Testaments
as the sufficient rule both of faith and practice.**

**We believe in the church,
those who are united in the living Lord
for the purpose of worship and service.**

**We believe in the reign of God
as the divine will realized in human society,
and in the family of God,
where we are all brothers and sisters.**

**We believe in the final triumph of righteousness
and in the life everlasting. Amen.**

Act of Praise

“Awake My Heart”

Ainsworth Choir

Jane Marshall

*Awake, my heart, and render to God thy sure defender,
thy Maker, thy preserver, a song of love and fervor.*

Confirm my deeds and guide me:

*my day, with thee beside me,
beginning, middle, ending,
will all be upward tending.*

*My heart shall be thy dwelling,
with joy and gladness swelling;
thy word my nurture giv'n,
to bring me on toward heaven.*

*Awake, my heart, and render to God thy sure defender,
thy Maker, thy preserver, thy Maker, preserver,
a song of love and fervor.*

(Text by Paulus Gerhardt, 1647)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Children's Moments

Pam Johnston

*Children are invited to meet Pam on the chancel steps.
K-4 and K-5 children will leave for
Children's Church after Children's Moments.*

* Hymn No. 142

“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

Psalm 112:1-7

Kelly Stone

Praise the Lord.

Blessed are those who fear the Lord,

who greatly delight in God's commandments!

Their descendants will be mighty in the land;

the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their house,

and their righteousness endures for ever.

They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright

they are gracious, merciful and righteous.

It is well with those who deal generously and lend,

who conduct their affairs with justice.

For the righteous shall never be moved;

they will be remembered for ever.

They are not afraid of evil tidings;

their hearts are firm, trusting in the Lord.

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Jimmy Towson

Job 22:21-28 (GNT)

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Jimmy Towson

“Can I Trust You?”

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Tommy Perkins

Offering of our Gifts

* Doxology

OLD 100TH

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.

* Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Rev. Tommy Perkins

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 337
“Only Trust Him”

STOCKTON

* 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.*

“Allegro Maestoso” (Sonata II) Felix Mendelssohn

*Benediction

Rev Jimmy Towson

* *Please stand as you are able.*



*Rev. Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Rev. Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor
Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor of Youth Ministries
Cam Bishop, Director of Music
Richard Gress, Guest Organist
Ainsworth Choir
David Keith, Conductor
Kelly Stone, Lay Reader
Sara Kate Sellers, Lead Acolyte
Ames Jamison, Crucifer
Ben Jamison & John Morgan Manley, Candlelighters*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Guy M. Harrington
by Mr. & Mrs. Mickey Pope.*

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 12:13-17

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Today's Sermon

“Can I Trust You?”

Today's Scripture

Job 22:21-28 (GNT)

Now, Job, make peace with God
and stop treating him like an enemy;
if you do, then he will bless you.
Accept the teaching he gives;
keep his words in your heart.
Yes, you must humbly return to God
and put an end to all the evil
that is done in your house.
Throw away your gold;
dump your finest gold in the dry stream bed.
Let Almighty God be your gold,
and let him be silver, piled high for you.
Then you will always trust in God
and find that he is the source of your joy.
When you pray, he will answer you,
and you will keep the vows you made.
You will succeed in all you do,
and light will shine on your path.

Sermon Notes

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