

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 15, 2019
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.*



Entrance and Praise

Voluntary *Be Thou My Vision* Charles Callahan

Greeting in the Name of Christ Rev. Jeff Cook

Mulberry Moment *Being Followers of Jesus* Katie Griffis

Congregational Response *Come One, Come All, Come Follow* Philip Dietterich
**Come one, come all, come follow the call of Jesus Christ, the Lord of all.
He'll teach you to walk, he'll teach you to talk, to share in his love every day.
He'll teach you to work, he'll teach you to play, to share in his love every day.**

Call to Worship Psalm 95:6-7 Doris Granum
Come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord our maker.
For the Lord is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.
Oh, that today you would hear God's voice.

* **Entrance Hymn No. 381** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* BRADBURY

Opening Prayer Doris Granum
Good Shepherd
you call us by name,
and we know your voice.
Open the gate for us,
that we may come and go freely,
have life, and have it abundantly. **Amen.**

Proclamation and Response

Congregational Call to Prayer
**O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Jeff Cook

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.

Prayer for Illumination

Marilyn Armstrong

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we will hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

Epistle

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Marilyn Armstrong

*** Gospel**

Luke 15:1-10

Rev. Jeff Cook

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

Sermon

*BEING FOLLOWERS OF JESUS
2. Followers Are People Seekers*

Rev. Jeff Cook

Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

*** Doxology**

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Please note we are using the Doxology from Hymn No. 94.

**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! Alleluia!

Sending Forth

*** Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Rev. Jeff Cook

*** Hymn No. 451**

Be Thou My Vision

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*** Benediction**

Rev. Jeff Cook

** 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. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Doris Granum, Soprano
Marilyn Armstrong, Reader*

*The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Dr. C. R. Price by Yetta Price.*

NewRoom Anniversary

Today is a special day for the 11 a.m. NewRoom service as we celebrate the third anniversary of this worship service. You're invited to stop by NewRoom on the third floor 10:45-11:00 a.m. to see the new worship space and enjoy cinnamon rolls Doris Andrews is preparing.

The Methodist Home for Children & Youth Offering

Please take a moment to read the insert about The Methodist Home for Children & Youth, which has six campuses in the South Georgia Conference. We're receiving an offering today. You may write a check to Mulberry St. UMC and indicate "Methodist Home" on the memo line. If giving cash, you may put it in an offering envelope found in the pew and marking it for "Methodist Home"; if you would like a cash gift included on your giving record, please include your name on the envelope. You can also support this ministry through the Tags of Hope Thrift Shoppe on Vineville Avenue by donating or shopping there.

Liturgists/Readers for 9 a.m. Chapel Worship

If you might be willing to be a liturgist/reader for 9 a.m. Chapel Worship this fall, please contact Tom Granum to volunteer: tgranum@mulberrymethodist.org or cell/706-207-6010. Youth and elementary children (grade 3 and above) are invited, too.

Being Followers of Jesus

Worship/Sermon Series:

- September 15: ***Followers Are People Seekers*** – Luke 15:1-10
- September 22: ***Followers Resist Greed*** – Luke 16:1-13
- September 29: ***Followers Take Their Faith Home*** – 2 Timothy 1:1-14
- October 6: ***Followers Practice Generosity*** – 1 Timothy 6:6-19
- October 13: ***Followers Make the Best of Bad Situations*** – Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
- October 20: ***Followers "Get in It" with God*** – Genesis 32:22-31
- October 27: ***Followers Don't Judge*** – Luke 18:9-14
- November 3: ***Followers Celebrate Our Resurrection Hope!*** – Ephesians 1:11-23
- November 10: ***Followers' Faith Is Lived*** – Job 19:23-27a
- November 17: ***Followers' Faith Is Known by All*** – Isaiah 65:17-25
- November 24: ***Followers Follow Christ Jesus*** – Colossians 1:11-20

Welcome to Mulberry

Thank you for worshiping 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. A nursery is available.

Please sign the Attendance Register as it is passed.

The church newsletter is sent out electronically to all members for whom we have email addresses. If you are not receiving the electronic newsletter, please share your email address on the Attendance Register as it is passed. You may also include other changes or additions for contact information.

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 a.m. worship service is broadcast live over radio station AM 940 WMAC. You can download the Sunday bulletin at <https://mulberrymethodist.org/worship/worship-online>.

Up and Coming at Mulberry Street UMC

Midweek at Mulberry Wednesday, September 18

Program: Wesley Glen Ministries – Dr. Tyler Plaxico
Supper Line begins at 5:30 p.m.
Children's Choirs – 6:15 p.m.
Youth Fellowship – 6:15 p.m.
Ainsworth Choir – 7:15 p.m.

Small Group Study Led by Matt Woodbery "Making Sense of the Bible" by Adam Hamilton

Wednesdays through October 23
6:40 p.m. in the Parlor Classroom

Family Connection Group Led by Julia Norman

Wednesdays @ 6:15 p.m. in the Parlor
Come connect with other parents/grandparents while children are in choir or nursery upstairs.

Covered Dish Dinner Sunday, September 29

immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship services in the Fellowship Hall

Youth Sunday September 29

@ 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary service