

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 2019
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

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Voluntary

Gift of Finest Wheat

Charles Callahan

Call to Worship

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Doris Granum

Please sing when indicated.

**You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.
Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.**

* Entrance Hymn No. 185

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

Opening Prayer

Doris Granum

**Pour out your Spirit's power upon your people, O God,
until we humble ourselves, seek your face, and turn from wicked ways.
Revive your church and heal our land. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

- Psalm 81 prayer from Psalms for All Seasons

Proclamation and Response

*Children exit for Children's Church during the Congregational Response
and can meet Julia Magda at the side exit to the Sanctuary. K-4 and K-5 children are invited to Children's Church
in the prayer room. They will be escorted back to the sanctuary to receive communion and return to their families.*

Congregational Response

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

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Prayer for Illumination

Mickey Pope

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

Epistle

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Mickey Pope

* **Gospel**

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

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

Homily

A Table for All

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Hymn (insert)

For Everyone Born a Place at the Table

FOR EVERYONE BORN

Please remain seated.

Thanksgiving and Communion

Invitation to the Table

Rev. Julia Norman

Confession and Pardon

Rev. Julia Norman

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
**according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.**

Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

Surely you desire truth in the inner parts;
you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.

Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

**Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Amen.

All pray in silence.

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

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

Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

Create in Me

Terre Johnson

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit in me. Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free spirit.

* **The Great Thanksgiving**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

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

Communion Music

Please join the choir and sing when indicated:

Come to the Table of Grace

Barbara Hamm

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 . . .

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You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Robert E. Kreutz

The soloist will sing the verses and the congregation will sing the refrain.

All: You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.

Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

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Eat This Bread

Jacques Berthier

All: "Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and never be hungry.

Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst."

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God Welcomes All

John Bell

All: God welcomes all, strangers and friends;

God's love is strong and it never ends.

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Prayer after Communion

**God our hope, we give you thanks
that you have given us this foretaste
of the justice, righteousness, and peace
of your promised new creation.
Strengthen us with this heavenly food
as we seek to serve your holy realm.
Lead us to live in joyful expectation
of the coming again in glory
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Sending Forth

* **Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

* **Hymn No. 671** (Stanza 1)

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

SICILIAN MARINERS

* **Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Matt Woodbery

Congregational Response

**Thanks we give and adoration for thy gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound;
ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.**

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

Voluntary

Eat This Bread

Charles Callahan

* *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
Rev. Julia Norman, Minister for Families & Children
Tom Granum, Director of Music/Organist
Ainsworth Choir
Doris Granum, Liturgist
Katie Trotter, Soloist
Mickey Pope, Lay Reader
Alex Stone, Lead Acolyte
Austin Carter, Crucifer
Wilson Brown & Jack Carter, Candlelighters
Ella Magda, Communion Steward
Julia Magda, Children's Church
Katie Griffis & Mildred Howard, Lay Communion Servers
Freedra Chapman, Bread Baker*

Gluten-free communion: Because our table is open to all, we serve gluten-free communion bread.

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and loving memory of Walter and Estelle Clay by their daughter, Margaret.*

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.

Please sign the Attendance Register as it is passed.

Children's church is open to children in Kindergarten and under after the Children's Moment each week. Please see our nursery staff or volunteer on the front row to check your child in and receive your Nursery pickup tag. Nursery is available for the entire service for children below Prekindergarten. Please see an usher for assistance in locating our 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 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

Ainsworth Choir

Ainsworth Choir (adults and high-school youth) rehearses Wednesdays, 7:15 p.m.
Please contact Tom Granum (tgranum@mulberrymethodist.org) if you're interested in joining.

Children's Choirs

Children's Choirs for grades K-5 through 5 rehearse Wednesdays, 6:15-7:00 p.m.
For more information, please contact Tom Granum at tgranum@mulberrymethodist.org.

Midweek at Mulberry Wednesday, September 4

Program: Sanctuary Respite Ministry – Leigh Hinton
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 Becomers 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.

Soul Friends Luncheon Thursday, September 5 12:00 Noon - Fellowship Hall

Soul Friends ministry pairs church members with those who are homebound to provide Christian support. At this luncheon we will share our concerns and joys of this ministry. If you would like to be a volunteer, please contact Marilyn Armstrong at 335.8363 or Jeff Cook at 745-8601.

Joining Sunday - September 8

Are you a member of Mulberry Street UMC yet?
If you think you might be interested in becoming a member of MSUMC, we invite you to join us in the Parlor at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 8, for a casual and informal time to gather and learn more about becoming a member. You are invited to join at any of our three worship services. Email or call Karen Carter if you are interested or for more information. kcarter@mulberrymethodist.org 745-8601

Vibrant Luncheon Thursday, September 12

Fountain of Juice (4123 Forsyth Road)
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

We have reserved a private room at Fountain of Juice for our September Vibrant Luncheon.
R.S.V.P. to the church office, 745-8601 by September 9.

Save the Date 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