

*Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia*

The Church at Worship

*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 24, 2017
Nine O'clock*



Greeting in the Name of Christ

Rev. Jeff Cook

The grace of our Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us worship God.

“Benedictus”

Alec Rowley

Call to Worship

Rev. Creede Hinshaw

Call on the name of God and give thanks.

Make known God’s deeds among the people.

Sing and tell of God’s wonderful works.

Let those who seek God rejoice in their hearts.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn of Praise No. 64

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

NICAEA

* Opening Prayer

Rev. Creede Hinshaw

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Holy, holy, holy God,

we worship and adore you –

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Today in our worship we long

for a glimpse of your glory,

seen perfectly in Christ, our Lord.

As we worship,

may we gain new insight

about the mystery and wonder of your love.

And may we sense new ways

to mirror that love in our world,

through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* Affirmation of Faith
The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Creede Hinshaw

**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.**

Act of Praise

“How Can I Keep from Singing”

Nicholas Spooner, Tenor

arr. Alan Bullard

New Testament Lesson

Philippians 1:21-30 (NRSV)

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Foundations: “Wanted Alive”

Rev. Jeff Cook

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Creede Hinshaw

The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Creede Hinshaw

**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.**

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. Creede Hinshaw

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 85

“We Believe in One True God”

RATISBON

* Benediction

Rev. Jeff Cook



*Rev. Jeff Cook, Associate Pastor
Rev. Creede Hinshaw, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Pat Crowe, Organist*

*The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Dorothea Peace,
mother of Dr. Rush Peace
and Robert A. Robertson, father of Judy Peace
by Dr. & Mrs. Rush Peace.*

If You Are New

Please make sure you sign the Attendance Register as it is passed.

Welcome to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, growth opportunities and service life here at Mulberry. Our hope is that you will find this church to be a warm, caring community that you can call home.

Nursery Care is provided for children under 4 years of age.

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.

Joining Mulberry Street UMC

New Members are welcomed into the congregation during our Sunday morning worship services at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 am. You may transfer from another Methodist church, transfer from another denomination or join for the first time by Profession of Faith (committing your life to Christ). For more information, please contact Karen Carter at 478-745-8601 or kcarter@mulberrymethodist.org.

Connect with us Online

You can learn more about our church community, staff and other events by visiting our website at www.mulberrymethodist.org.

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Today's Sermon

Foundations: "Wanted Alive"

Today's Scripture

Philippians 1:21-30 (NRSV)

²¹ For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴ but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵ Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶ so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷ Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹ For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— ³⁰ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Sermon Notes

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