



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 6, 2020

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September Worship Series

No Fair!

In September, we're going to spend some time with God's words on how to fight like a Christian. Christian fighting should never include fists, loud voices, or retribution. Christian "fighting" involves forgiveness, reconciliation, and grace. On September 6, we'll consider reconciliation and what we should do when another Christian wrongs us. We can look around us in our culture and see the results of not working toward reconciliation. How should we, as Christians, lead the way toward reconciliation? On September 13, we'll hear about forgiveness. Forgiveness doesn't mean it didn't happen. Forgiveness is part of the foundation of reconciliation. On September 20, we're going to consider that, because of God's grace and love, we don't get what we deserve. If we can receive good things from God despite our own sinfulness, can we then share those good things with others? Can we trust God to share those good things with others and not reduce what he gives to us?

The point of these sermons is that God's idea of fairness is quite different from ours. We should learn to work toward unity using his ideas of fairness and justice instead of our own ideas.

September 27, we're going to observe Laity Sunday. We'll have a lay person speak and we'll celebrate the work accomplished in the church by the laity. There are far more laity than clergy at Mulberry Street and the work done by the laity to build the kingdom of God is amazing!

Join us for these services. We will have recorded services available online. The two sermons from NewRoom and Sanctuary worship will be our worship service via the radio. And we will continue our in-person worship with NewRoom in the fellowship hall at 9:00 and a service in the sanctuary at 11:00. We're also planning a special service for World Communion Sunday the first Sunday in October that will include communion.

Thank you to everyone who makes our many worship services available. We have fantastic, talented musicians and staff who work to create worship services in several formats so that you can worship in the way you feel safe. We'd love to hear from you about the services, both content and format. Email or call the church and let us know what you think.

Nita

Worship This Sunday, September 6, 2020

This Sunday we will hold our NewRoom in-person worship service in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. and our Sanctuary in-person worship service at 11:00 a.m. Our nursery will be open for both services. Entrance and exit for the NewRoom in-person worship service will be through the Atrium Entrance. Entrance and exit for the Sanctuary in-person worship service will be through the Sanctuary doors facing Mulberry Street or the ramp entrance in the courtyard. The nursery will allow for drop-off and pick-up through the nursery gate.

No reservations are required for our in-person worship services.

We will continue to offer a recorded Sanctuary worship service online. Additionally, our in-person Sanctuary worship service will be broadcast live at 11:00 a.m. on 940 AM and our in-person NewRoom worship service will be live streamed on Facebook at 9:00 a.m.

Please remember to wear your masks and your nametag to church this Sunday!

The Link

Below is the link to “The Link”, a way to keep you informed and connected with what is happening in South Georgia United Methodism and beyond! The Link is published every two weeks, full of Conference news, resources, and event information to keep you up to date and in the know. <http://sgaumc-email.brtapp.com/viewinsite/f6d580d17b8bcb15b77cce3b3a4cef05?>

South Georgia Advocate

The South Georgia Advocate, a twice monthly online news publication, is the official news source of the South Georgia Annual Conference and a ministry of the Office of Connectional Ministries. Here is the link. <http://sgaumc-email.brtapp.com/viewinsite/b3f63c8a98d55592dc5184dd9375b8e1?>



To Robin and Marianne Lokey upon the death of Marianne's brother-in-law, Travis Green, of Spartanburg, SC on August 25, 2020.

Cards can be sent to Marianne at: 2281 Pea Ridge Road, Juliette, GA 31046



ATTENDANCE

Sunday, August 30, 2020

In-Person Worship

NewRoom Service @ 9:00 15
Sanctuary Worship @ 11:00 35

On-Line Worship

NewRoom Service @ 9:00 339
Sanctuary Worship @ 11:00 1188



Pastoral Care

Nita Crump, Senior Pastor	478-867-3029
Marcus Tripp, Pastoral Care Minister	478-747-6041
Julia Norman, Children and Family Minister	919-323-6626
Trevor Ward, Youth and NewRoom Pastor	478-607-9003



Confirmation Class 2020

Elizabeth Leigh Baskette (Address: 4176 Canyon Road, Macon, GA 31210)

Molly Berg (Address: 523 Franklin Road, Macon, GA 31220)

Joseph Ellis Bridges (Address: 125 Treyburne Way, Macon, GA 31211)

Caroline Harper Dent (Address: 313 Carrick Way, Macon, GA 31210)

Barbara Reynolds Hefner (Address: 698 Richmond Hill Drive, Macon, GA 31210)

Maggie Jamison (Address: 3759 Bonita Place, Macon, GA 31204)



Attention Scampers ... our Fall venture is only 5 weeks away (October 2-4)!

Hope this communication finds all to be safe and well! With the anticipation of cooler temperatures to come, it's nearing time to **mask-up** and answer the call of the mountains!

The campground has remained in operation with some social distancing protocols. The bathhouses are open and being regularly cleaned.

This is the weekend prior to the presumed start of the Georgia Mountain Fall Festival and will begin a peak season for the campground. Seasonal campers will be arriving and the campground is expected to fill up quickly.

If you are interested in making this Fall 2020 trip, and have not already made your reservations, we have space for you! Please read the following regarding making your plans. Due to health concerns, the Mulberry Youth have decided not to camp with us this year. The youth had reserved 3 campsites which unfortunately cannot be refunded or shifted forward to 2021. Thus, I'd like to help them sell these sites, if possible. The campground is willing to work with me to this end, and can accommodate both tent campers and those with RV's. **Please contact me ASAP to secure one of these available sites.**

Enjoy the outdoors, but don't like sleeping in a tent and don't own an RV. The campground has Camping Cabins available. Curious? Interested? Go to <https://www.baldmountainpark.com/cabins/> and scroll down the page to check out the "Keystone Cabins."

The goal is for everyone to be accommodated. The experience simply won't be the same without YOU!

If you are planning to come, please reply back to me so I can get a count to better plan for the weekend. **If you have reservations, but cannot make the trip, do not forget to call the camp office and cancel your reservation.** If I understand their cancellation policy correctly, it's 7-days prior to arrival and subject to a cancellation fee.

Melinda and I look forward to seeing each of you in the campground. In your travels, if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Ed Powell

(478) 737-1518

Looking Ahead to Advent and Christmas

As we look forward to the Advent and Christmas season, we're considering ways families can add to the already great opportunities to worship at home. One of those ways is with an advent wreath. As a symbolic sense of connection, we're encouraging people who worship with us to have an Advent wreath and to light the candles each Sunday and on Christmas Eve. We're working to offer you ways to create your own Advent wreath. If you would rather purchase an Advent wreath, we will have a list of local businesses that can help you do so. Watch for more information closer later in the fall on this and join your friends and Mulberry family in this touching way to worship.



To Don and Heidi Ream upon the death of Don's father, D.K. (Buck) Ream, III on August 31, 2020.

Link to obituary: <https://www.hartsmort.com/obituary/DonaldKingBuck-ReamIII>

Cards can be sent to Don & Heidi at: 2848 South Hillandale Circle, Macon, GA 31204



If you would like to set up a Zoom meeting for your Sunday School Class, Small Group, Committee, Circle, etc., using the Mulberry Street UMC Zoom account, send an email to zoom@mulberrymethodist.org or call the church office at 478-745-8601.