



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 23, 2010

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For those who might wonder what Confirmation actually is, let me give you the "textbook" definition. When children are 11 or 12 in the Methodist church, they are invited to participate in a journey over the course of 4 or 5 months that gets them ready to stand before the church on Confirmation Sunday and profess publicly what they believe about God and salvation. Leading up to that service, which is this Sunday, we have met as a group to share and learn all kinds of things: what our baptism means, what kind of faith experiences we have had so far, some history of the Methodist church, and ways our life will change once we commit to being a serious disciple of Christ.

Now let me tell you what Confirmation has really been about this year. We have met at Mulberry on Sunday nights, had meetings with our mentors at Joshua's Cup coffee house, Dairy Queen and other fun places, gone on a field trip to see recreations of tombs, crosses and Bedouin campsites all led by 2 roosters named Pedro, gone to Lake Junaluska for a retreat where we got caught in a snow storm, and grown in our faith tremendously. Did you catch the "our" in that sentence?

While these kids were affirming in their hearts and minds what their relationship to the Trinity and this, their church, is all about, they have been showing me how valuable the foundation that they have received already truly is. Reading about God's plan for their lives in a book, and discussing terms like worship, prayer, and "The body of Christ in action" would have very little resonance with them had they not had parents who cared for them and been a part of a church family already.

So you—the congregation—are a part of this special day for them. What better day than Pentecost, the birthday of the church, to confirm 6 members in their commitment to claim God's gift of grace, salvation, and joyful life in the church! Acts tells us that the reason the early church grew so fast was because people saw the new Christians being glad, generous and praising God together. For moments in their lives, when they were all worshipping as one body, they "had all things in common" (Acts 2:44). Come be a part of this joyous day, of helping these kids mature into their role as teenaged Christians. Before Jesus died, he reminded us to celebrate our faith together: "I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete" (John 15:11).

#### Confirmands

Chris Golmitz  
Conner Hefner  
Emma Johnston  
Joseph Kelley  
Will Smith, Jr.  
Xavier Tarbox

#### Mentors

Jack Head  
Judy Bryant  
Carol Head  
Cile Mitchell  
Gregory Bushway  
Flo Martin

Pam Johnston  
Director of Children's & Family Ministries

# Sunday Worship

May 23, 2010

9:00 a.m. Chapel  
11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

*"All the Difference in the World"*  
Acts 2: 1-4 John 14: 8-21

Rev. Tommy Martin



## Assisting with Worship

### Ushers for Nine O'clock

Warren Dunn & Scott Wangen

### Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Charlie Bridges, Austin Carter,  
Scott Davis, Ken Harper,  
David Mann, Robert Middleton,  
Jim Rice, Blake Sharpton  
& Jim Wilson

### Children's Church

Pat & Misty Rhodes (2/3K)  
Tom & Elizabeth Fonner (4/5K)



## Altar Flowers



The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her mother, Mrs. Louise Brice by Wynelle Flynn.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. Andrew J. Lyndon.

## Attendance Last Sunday

Nine O'clock Worship	61
Eleven O'clock Worship	219
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>280</b>
 Sunday School Attendance	 223



Cam Bishop, Director of Music

## 'An Enchanted Evening of Musical Madness'...

truly lived up to its promise. Kudos to our performers for their high energy "production" of Broadway music last Wednesday at Church Night Supper. The entertainment was provided by Greg Elliott, Susan Middleton, Debbie Lane, Hines Causey, Cameron Bishop, Catie Starr, Chris Brown, Catherine Gardner, Chris Abbott, Eldon Lundin, Jack Head, and Gregory Bushway. The entire evening was capped off by the stunning debut of our own Glen Smith! Words cannot describe that experience. The program was great fun for everyone and the perfect way to end our spring Wednesday suppers.....with laughter, joy and delight! Thank you, all!

## Mark your calendar!

Wednesday, June 5

7:30 pm

Mulberry Sanctuary

A program of Brass Quintet Music featuring not one, but two, brass groups. The Air Force Brass Quintet and the Mercer University Townsend School of Music Faculty Brass Quintet

The program will include a couple of brass and organ pieces as well.

Try not to miss it. It's going to be great!

# PENTECOST

The red altar hangings being used this Sunday symbolize the fire of Pentecost, when the Apostles and early followers of Jesus first received the empowerment of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world. In the Old Testament, Pentecost was a festival which began on the fiftieth day after the beginning of Passover. It was called the Feast of Weeks and was an agricultural festival celebrating the first fruits of the early spring harvest. In the Christian calendar, Pentecost Sunday falls on the seventh Sunday after Easter. In Acts 2, Luke tells of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles gathered in the upper room at Pentecost. For Christians, Pentecost Sunday is a day to celebrate a renewal of our calling as God's people and our commitment to God's ongoing work in the world.



**Barbara Underwood**

**May 11, 2010**



## Congratulations High School Graduates

Mary Adger Bowen  
Campbell Brogdon  
Cydney Claire Grimsley  
Daniel Saxon Pope  
Callie Samantha Reynolds  
Amelia (Amy) Chappell Sanda  
Spencer Edward Simmons



Pam Johnston

Director of Children's & Family

### Pentecost Celebration

Don't miss Sunday school this week! We'll celebrate with birthday cake and a big red balloon release in the courtyard.

**DON'T FORGET  
TO SIGN UP FOR VBS!!!!**

### Confirmation Practice

Confirmands and parents, please meet in the sanctuary at 10 am May 22 for practice and then we will leave to swim and picnic afterwards at the Methodist Children's Home along with siblings and mentors. The big day is coming. . .are you ready to claim your name?

### Shake up your summer with Mulberry's Turbular Tuesdays!

Save the date for these fun activities, kids or families alike.

#### June 29

Skating and a movie (10am-4 pm)

#### July 6

Lunar Mini Golf and Dairy Queen (10am-1pm)

#### July 20

Splash in the 'Boro (8am-6pm)

#### July 27

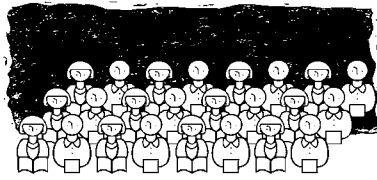
Tailgate Party/Pinetoppers Game (4 to 10pm)

Open to all; kids under 6 must be chaperoned

Cost: \$20/day; scholarships available

### Thank You

Jackie Harper has been helping in our Godly Play 4/5 K room this year, but will be leaving to spend time with her daughter before her wedding and then to take care of her mother, who will be moving in with her and Ken. We appreciate her service to the Children's Department. The kids (and Julia) will miss her!



## Annual Conference

**June 6-9, 2010  
Tifton, Georgia**

Clergy Members  
of Annual Conference  
*Tommy Martin & Cile Mitchell*

Lay Members  
of Annual Conference  
*Jack Armstrong & Gail Springstead*



Please wear your name tag to church each Sunday!!!  
If you do not have a name tag or if you need to replace a lost name tag, please call the church office (745-8601).

## Memorial Fund

In memory of Lane Bennett  
by Mrs. Rosa Bennett and Lark

## Church-Wide



**Ice Cream Social  
& VBS Program**

**Mark your calendar!  
Thursday, June 17  
6:30 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall**



## Grateful for the Greatest Generation's Great Grandchildren

The future looks bright, thanks to the efforts of several caring teens and young adults this spring. Volunteers from The Methodist Home and Americorp Vista are serving in the food pantry and office, and we are so happy to have the extra help. Their fresh enthusiasm for serving others inspires and motivates everyone here.

### Macon Outreach Fund

*In honor of Edwin & Carol Chase  
by Becomers Sunday School Class*

*In honor of Carol Hall  
by Sherry Culves*

*In honor of Margaret Hartness  
by Martha Hartness*

*In honor of Thelma Culves  
by Sherry Culves*

*In memory of Katherine Henley  
by Kenneth Henley*

*In memory of Tharon Henrietta  
by Sharon Young*

*In honor of Rachel Bishop  
by Bruce & Cam Bishop*

*In honor of Exail Smith  
by Sid's Sandwich Shop*

*In memory of  
Annie & Louise McDonald  
by Hannah Greene*



Congratulations to Meghana Dalal and Sidney Eugene Middlebrooks, Jr. united in Holy Matrimony at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church on May 15, 2010. The Rev. Tommy Martin officiated.

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Our 11 a.m. service is broadcast live  
over Radio Station AM 940 WMAC.

### Pastor on Call

May 21-23

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## **THIS WEEK AT MULBERRY**

### Sunday, May 23

9:00 a.m. Worship/Chapel

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:40 a.m. KIDSPRAISE/Children's Assembly Rm

11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. UMYF

### Monday, May 24

4:45 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg/Conf Rm

5:30 p.m. Church Council Mtg/Fel-Hall

### Tuesday, May 25

7:00 a.m. Men's Sermon Starter Group/Bob Lovett's Office

8:30 a.m. Prayer Group/Conf Rm

9:15 a.m. Chapel/Children's Center

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting/Conf Rm

12:00 p.m. Kiwanis Club Lunch/Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. Wesleyan Heritage Group/Conf Rm

### Wednesday, May 26

10:30 a.m. Macon Outreach Worship Service/Chapel

11:30 p.m. Altar Guild Luncheon/Parlor

4:00 p.m. Children's Center Board Mtg/Conf Rm

7:15 p.m. Ainsworth Choir

### Thursday, May 27

9:00 a.m. Pew Patrol

### Friday, May 28

7:00 a.m. Market Place Men's Ministry/Joshua Cup

5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal/Walker-Lewis

### Saturday, May 29

10:00 a.m. Confirmation Practice/Picnic

6:00 p.m. Wedding/Walker-Lewis

### Saturday-Monday, May 28-31

Scampers/River Bend

### Sunday, May 30

9:00 a.m. Worship/Chapel

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:40 a.m. KIDSPRAISE/Children's Assembly Rm

11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. S.M.A.K./Children's Assembly Rm

5:00 p.m. UMYF



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## **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rally for Wellness**

*Sponsored by Carlyle Place*

**Free Event!**

**Thursday, May 27**

**10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Carlyle Place**

Join us for this exciting 2<sup>nd</sup> annual event!

Featuring...

Fresh Produce and All-Natural Dairy Market

Gardening Tips

Cooking demonstrations by a professional chef

Wellness & fitness education

Entertainment

Prizes and giveaways

Carlyle Place Tours

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## **Ministries Budget Report 2010 General Fund**

Month	Gifts	Expense	Net	Net Last Year
Jan	78,132	100,172	(22,040)	(22,001)
Feb	61,541	95,097	(33,556)	(27,104)
Mar	74,029	99,182	(25,153)	(216)
<b>Total YTD</b>	<b>213,702</b>	<b>294,451</b>	<b>(80,749)</b>	<b>(49,321)</b>

## **MULBERRY STREET UMC STAFF**

Tommy Martin, Senior Pastor    Cile Mitchell, Associate Pastor  
Bishop C. W. Hancock, Bishop in Residence    Dr. William H. Hurdle, Senior Pastor Emeritus  
Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator    Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist  
Pam Johnston, Director of Children's & Family Ministries  
Erin Roberson, Director, Children's Center    Betsy Abbott, Director of Hospitality  
Johnny Hathcock, Director, Macon Outreach    Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary  
Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary    Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian  
Custodians  
Clifton Carswell, Arnold Freeman & Sherman Ivry