



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 13, 2016

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STRENGTH IN NUMBERS!

Our Operation Christmas Child shoebox packing event was a huge success! Thank you to all who set it up, contributed items and money, packed boxes and participated! Special thanks to Marilyn Armstrong and Heidi Ream for heading up the event. Here are a couple of pictures of the fun!

Close to 200 children will now receive a OCC Shoebox this Christmas! The story of God's love through Jesus Christ will be shared with them, and they will know that God loves them! They will also know that someone cared enough to send this gift from across the ocean - just for them.



If you didn't get a chance to participate in Operation Christmas Child's Shoebox ministry - it's not too late. We need **\$7 per box** to pay the cost of shipping the boxes overseas and distributing them to the children. We collected part of that sum, but are approximately **\$900 short** of the total. Could you give to help a little boy or girl have Christmas this year?

If so, please make your donation payable to the Church, marked for "Operation Christmas Child" and we'll see that the boxes are sent out!

I'm so proud of Mulberry Street UMC - a loving, caring, giving church living out the call to care for others in Jesus' name!

What does God want us to do next to share that love? Would you be willing to do it? You say, "It depends!" Really? Does it matter what it is as long as we know God wants us to do it? What sets Christians apart is our willingness to listen to God and follow his lead, even when it costs us.

We would not have been able to pack so many boxes in such a short time without so many involved!



It's true! There is great strength in numbers! We can do great things when we work together to help others as God leads us!

Blessings!

Sunday Worship

November 13, 2016

9:00 am Chapel

10:00 am NewRoom/Library Ballroom

11:00 am Sanctuary

"I'm Jimmy Towson and I Approve This Message"
Isaiah 65 (Selected Verses)

Rev. Jimmy Towson



Assisting with Worship

Nine O'clock Ushers

Bill Jackson/Clay Washburn

Eleven O'clock Ushers

Art Banks, Waverly Golson, Mel Jamison,

Martin Magda, Darin McClure,

Jason Mott, Ed Powell, Doyle Powers,

Bert Thompson, Ben Vaughn &

Tom Woodcock

Children's Church

Bo & Caitlin Walker (2K/3K)

Clay & Sherry Singleton (4K/5K)



Altar Flowers



The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband Emory Greene and her mother Annie McDonald by Hannah Greene.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Wesley, Clare, Alice and Martha Rauls.

Why Not Mulberry? Pledge Report

Pledge Year	Total Amount	Number of Pledges
2016	\$921,494	202
2017	\$625,197	143
Difference	(\$296,297)	(59)

Attendance Last Week

Nursery	10
Nine O'clock Worship	45
NewRoom Worship	53
Eleven O'clock Worship	242
Total Worship Attendance	350

MUSIC News

Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist

Children's Choirs

We only have three rehearsals left to learn our Christmas music for the annual Plum Pudding Festival. Thanks in advance, parents, for having your child at all of these very important rehearsals. The Plum Pudding Festival is December 4.

In Christian Sympathy

To Tommy Perkins and family upon the death of Tommy's father, Tom Perkins on November 6, 2016.

SOUP'S ON

NOVEMBER 13

12:00 Noon - Fellowship Hall

Once again the Mulberry United Methodist Women will hold their Fall Fund Raising event, SOUP'S ON. For one donation at the door you will be able to sample all kinds of soup. Last year we had 19 different kinds! Then, you can stock up on goodies for the holidays from the Baked Sale. Thanks to your generous donations, we will be able to disburse money to Mulberry UMW mission projects, like Macon Outreach, Mary Grace Rumford, Daybreak, Wesley Glen and others, in December.

SPECIAL INVITATION TO 9:00 and 10:00 congregations

We will begin serving at noon.

Please join us for SOUP'S ON!

One further note: The UMW would appreciate any soup or baked goods made by others in the congregation to add to the occasion.

Just bring them to church on November 13 between 10:00 and 11:00. Thank you!



Worship Guild

The Communion Ministry of Mulberry's Worship Guild prepares for the celebration of Holy Communion. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve. If you are looking for a "quiet" way to serve God and Mulberry, there is a place for you in the Communion Ministry. Please contact Worship Guild Chair, Carol Head for details [478-731-5860](tel:478-731-5860) or carolc.head@gmail.com.

MIDWEEK AT MULBERRY

Love, Care and Share around the Table

November 16

Program:

Wesleyan Washboard Band
Wesleyan College

Menu: Turkey & Dressing



Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

Anchored

Sundays - 5:00 pm

Wednesdays

Youth Fellowship - 6:15 pm

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service



Tuesday, November 22

7:00 pm

Temple Beth Israel

Rev. Jimmy Towson, preaching

In Christian Sympathy

To Paige Mann and family upon the death of Paige's father, Fred Miller of Jacksonville, FL

A November Advent Study of Down to Earth

by Mike Slaughter and Rachel Billups

Tuesday evenings November 1st-November 29th

A November Advent study? That's right! If the world will rush the commercial Christmas season before Halloween, why should we as the Church not anticipate the down-to-earth love, humility, and holiness of our liturgical seasons of Advent and Christmastide? You are invited on all five Tuesday evenings of November from 5:00-6:00 pm to the cellar of Just Tap'd at the corner of Poplar and 1st Streets starting All Saints Day (November 1) and ending November 29th for Pastor Mike Slaughter's latest Advent reflection.

Time and Place: 5:00-6:00 pm in the cellar/basement of Just Tap'd in downtown Macon.

Book: Mike Slaughter and Rachel Billups' *Down to Earth: The Hopes and Fears of All the Years Are Met in Thee Tonight*. Order your own book or copy and bring on the November 1st ISBN: 9781501823398

Facilitator: Rev. Tommy Perkins



Congratulations to Hunter & Katie Hines upon the birth of their daughter, Hunter Elizabeth Hines on October 5, 2016.



Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Christmas CAMP

Saturday, December 3

9:00 am - 1:30 pm

Ages 3-11

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

Limited space - RSVP required by November 30.



Family Advent at Mulberry

Plum Pudding Festival

December 4

5:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Come hear the children's choirs sing and enjoy plum pudding cake by our beautiful family tree. It will be one of the best blessings you experience all year!

Family Caroling

Sunday, December 11 - 4:00 pm

Children's Nativity

Sunday, December 18 - 11:00 am Worship

Family Christmas Eve Communion Service

Saturday, December 24 - 3:00 pm - Sanctuary

Budget Report 2016

Month	Gifts and		Expense	Net
	Other Revenue	Endowment Revenue		
Jan	93,604.62	18,616.56	103,762.19	8,458.99
Feb	62,362.89	16,848.37	109,624.07	(30,412.81)
Mar	77,138.00	37,665.00	137,696.00	(22,893.00)
Apr	79,131.00	19,459.00	113,989.00	(15,399.00)
May	93,815.00	14,689.00	107,789.00	715.00
Jun	78,530.00	17,687.00	109,374.00	(13,157.00)
Jul	76,558.00	22,233.00	116,185.00	(17,394.00)
Aug	66,768.00	29,345.00	133,088.00	(36,975.00)
Sep	71,368.00	25,394.00	132,227.00	(35,465.00)
Total YTD	484,582.00	124,965.00	682,234.00	(162,522.00)



memorials & gifts

Macon Outreach Fund

In honor of Needy People on Thanksgiving by Mr. Victor Morrow



Canned Green Beans

Cereal

Canned Mixed Vegetables (no Corn)

Oatmeal in Individual Packets



CLOTHING CLOSET NEEDS

Men's pants and jeans, size 28-36

Men's knit shirts, polo style



There is a bucket in the atrium to receive donations for Daybreak.

Supplies Needed:

coffee, creamer, sugar, cereal, Quick grits, oatmeal, detergent, baking soda, bleach, spray deodorant, disposable razors, body wash, paper towels, toilet paper, disinfectant spray

Mulberry Community Garden



Volunteer Gardeners

Mondays in the Garden - 9:00 am - Noon

Thursdays in the Garden - 9:00 am - Noon & 3:00-5:00 pm

Questions? Call Jack Head 719-7455

Mission Opportunity

G2G4

(Generation 2 Generation)

A Mulberry Intergenerational Mission Trip

January 13-16, 2017

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NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED WEEKLY

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



Rev. Jimmy Towson (538-9067)
Rev. Tommy Perkins (615-691-3171)
Rev. Bill Culpepper (803-673-7860)

This Week at Mulberry

Sunday, November 13

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:30 Blue Room Kids
9:45 am Sunday School
10:00 am NewRoom Worship/Library Ballroom
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
12:00 pm UMW Soup's On/F-Hall
4:00 pm Rutter Requiem/Choral Society
& Mercer Singers/Sanctuary
5:00 pm Anchored

Tuesday, November 15

8:30 am Prayer Group/Prayer Rm
9:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm
12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall
1:00 pm Carlyle Place Communion
4:00 pm Trustees Mtg/Conf Rm

Wednesday, November 16

9:15 am CCM Chapel
10:30 am M/O Worship/Chapel
4:30 pm M/O Board Mtg/Conf Rm
5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
6:15 pm Children's Choirs
6:15 pm Youth Fellowship
7:15 pm Ainsworth Choir

Thursday, November 17

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232
10:30 am DAR Mtg/Conf Rm
12:00 pm DAR Luncheon/F-Hall
4:00-9:00 pm Wesley Foundation Banquet/F-Hall

Sunday, November 20

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:30 Blue Room Kids
9:45 am Sunday School
10:00 am NewRoom Worship/Library Ballroom
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
5:00 pm Anchored



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November 15 & 22, 2016 • 5-8 PM

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(8-count) when you donate three canned food items for local food pantries.

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**Rutter Requiem presented by
Choral Society/Mercer Singers
Sunday, November 13
Mulberry Street UMC – 4 PM**

Mulberry Street UMC Staff

*Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor
Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries
Trevor Ward & Tyler Giles, Worship Leaders
Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist
Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries
Betsy Abbott, Director of Hospitality Karen Carter, Connections Director
Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary
Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian
Clifton Carswell & Jeffrey Smith, Custodians
Erin Frazier, Director, Children's Center
Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach*