



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 27, 2016

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## *Interfaith Thanksgiving Service*



*Tuesday, November 22  
7:00 pm  
Temple Beth Israel  
Rev. Jimmy Towson, preaching*

# Sunday Worship

November 27, 2016

First Sunday in Advent

9:00 am Chapel

10:00 am NewRoom/Library Ballroom

11:00 am Sanctuary

It was the LIGHT Before Christmas:

"Morning Light"

Romans 13:11-14 (CEB)

Rev. Bill Culpepper



## Assisting with Worship

### Nine O'clock Ushers

Bill Jackson/Clay Washburn

### Eleven O'clock Ushers

Rick Ector, Waverly Golson, Mel Jamison,

Martin Magda, Darin McClure,

Jason Mott, Ed Powell, Doyle Powers,

Bert Thompson, Ben Vaughn &

Tom Woodcock

### Children's Church

Reeves & Julie Minton (2K/3K)

Cameron & Aubrey Bishop (4K/5K)



## Altar Flowers



The arrangement in the chapel is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. W.P. Simmons by their Family.

The arrangement in the sanctuary is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John S. Warchak, Stan Warchak and Charlie and Bertha Yancey by Aliene Warchak.

### Why Not Mulberry? Pledge Report

Pledge Year	Total Amount	Number of Pledges
2016	\$921,494	202
2017	\$692,379	146
Difference	(\$229,115)	(56)

### Attendance Last Week

Nursery	14
Nine O'clock Worship	37
NewRoom Worship	55
Eleven O'clock Worship	179
Total Worship Attendance	285

## MUSIC News



Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist



### Plum Pudding Festival

Sunday, December 4 at 5 PM

Children's Choirs will sing.

Plum Pudding Cake will be served.

Don't miss the annual highlight of the Advent and Christmas season at Mulberry.

### Ainsworth Choir's Christmas Music

Sunday, December 11 at 11 AM in Sanctuary with Brass, Strings, Timpani, Harp and Organ

Music will include traditional carols as well as new settings of Christmas anthems.

Please mark your calendars now and make plans to bring someone with you.

### Grace Circle

The Grace Circle will meet at the home of Jane Moore on

Thursday, December 1 at 6:30 pm.

All women are invited to join us.



Congratulations to Ken and Amanda Smith upon the birth of their daughter McKenna Joy Smith on November 17, 2016.



### 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](mailto:carolc.head@gmail.com).



Rev. Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

### Anchored

Sundays – 5:00 pm

### Wednesdays

Youth Fellowship – 6:15 pm

### Advent Wreath



The Advent wreaths being displayed during this season continue a tradition adopted by Christians during the Middle Ages as part of their spiritual preparation for Christmas. The evergreens that make up the wreath signify continuous life; and the circle shape of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, and the everlasting life found in Christ. The four candles around the wreath represent the four weeks of Advent. The white candle, placed in the center of the wreath, is lit on Christmas Eve to celebrate the birth of Christ, the light of the world. The Advent wreaths are in memory of Cecil Robert Kelly (Sanctuary), and W.P. Stevens, Jr. (Chapel).



### Advent & Christmas at Mulberry

Sunday, December 4

Plum Pudding Festival

5:00 pm – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 11

Ainsworth Choir's Christmas Music

11:00 am Worship

Family Caroling

4:00 pm

Sunday, December 18

Children's Nativity

11:00 am Worship

Saturday, December 24

3:00 pm Family Christmas Communion

Service/Sanctuary

4:30 pm Music of the Season/Sanctuary

5:00 pm Christmas Eve Communion

Service/Sanctuary

Sunday, December 25

10:00 am Worship Service/Sanctuary





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

If your children would like to participate in the Nativity or the Family Christmas Eve service, please let Pam know by Wednesday, December 7 [pjohnston@mulberrymethodist.org](mailto:pjohnston@mulberrymethodist.org).

### 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 Other Revenue	Endowment Revenue	Expense	Net
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)



A great idea for a Christmas gift this season is a donation to Macon Outreach in honor or in memory of friends and family. Christmas cards are available.



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:

Body Wash, Spray Deodorant & Creamer

### Mulberry Community Garden



#### Volunteer Gardeners

Mondays in the Garden - 9:00 am - Noon  
Thursdays in the Garden - 9:00 am - Noon

Questions? Call Jack Head 719-7455

### Mission Opportunity

#### **G2G4**

#### **(Generation 2 Generation)**

A Mulberry Intergenerational Mission Trip

**January 13-16, 2017**

Hinton Rural Center, Hayesville, NC

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church  
719 Mulberry Street, Macon, GA 31201  
P.O. Box 149, Macon, GA 31202  
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Rev. Jimmy Towson (538-9067)  
Rev. Tommy Perkins (615-691-3171)  
Rev. Bill Culpepper (803-673-7860)

## This Week at Mulberry

### Sunday, November 27

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

### Monday, November 28

10 am – 12 pm – Labyrinth Walk & Mtg/Parlor  
1:00 pm Cottages on Wesleyan Communion  
5:15 pm Finance Committee Mtg/Conf Rm

### Tuesday, November 29

8:30 am Prayer Group/Prayer Rm  
9:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm  
12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall

### Wednesday, November 30

9:15 am CCM Chapel  
10:30 am M/O Worship/Chapel  
5:30 pm A Very Merry Mulberry Christmas/F-Hall  
7:15 pm Ainsworth Choir

### Thursday, December 1

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232  
5:30 pm CCM Christmas Party/F-Hall  
6:30 pm Grace Circle

### Saturday, December 3

9:00 am – 1:30 pm CHRISTmas Camp  
9:30-10:30 am Plum Pudding Rehearsal/F-Hall

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5:00 pm Plum Pudding Festival/F-Hall



### Macon Outreach

*In memory of Tom Perkins by Mrs. Rebecca C. Donovan*  
*In memory of Robert M. Hunnicutt by Carlton & Barbara Hunnicutt*  
*In memory of Linda Cooksey by Carlton & Barbara Hunnicutt*  
*In memory of Thomas Perkins by*  
*Dr. & Mrs. Charlie Cloaninger Lillian P. Peck*  
*In memory of Troy Thomason by Frances Inzer*  
*In memory of Shirley B. Butler by D. Melson Butler*

### 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*