



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 27, 2015

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FEEDING GOD'S SHEEP

Johnny Hathcock has served our church faithfully as Executive Director of our church ministry, Macon Outreach at Mulberry, for the past 9 years. He has epitomized the words of Jesus to Peter, "If you love me, feed my sheep," as he has celebrated successes, grieved over sorrows, ministered to spiritual needs, fed hungry souls, prayed, hugged, encouraged, and challenged our fellow travelers who come to Macon Outreach with physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

On September 30, Johnny will retire from this ministry he has loved so much. He has been a friend to all of us, but most specially to those who find themselves challenged by life's hardships.

We thought that you might express your gratitude to Johnny by making a donation to Macon Outreach in his honor. All contributions for this purpose will be placed in a fund we are designating as "Johnny's Helping Hand" to cover special needs that are often brought by our Macon Outreach guests, but fall outside of our primary mission of feeding and clothing those in need.

Johnny has always had a big heart for folks in need; your contribution to Johnny's Helping Hand will enable Macon Outreach to continue that tradition of helping wherever we can to lighten life's load for others.

Please send your contribution to Macon Outreach at Mulberry, P. O. Box 149, Macon, GA., 31202, or drop your check - marked "Johnny Hathcock" - in the offering plate.

We give thanks for Johnny's ministry at Macon Outreach!

Blessings,

Jimmy Towson

Sunday Worship

September 27, 2015

9:00 am Chapel

11:00 am Sanctuary

"Can I Trust You?"

Job 22:21-28 (GNIT)

Rev. Jimmy Towson



Assisting with Worship

Usher for Nine O'clock

Warren Dunn & Scott Wangen

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Charlie Bridges, Austin Carter,

Casey Gardner, Ken Harper, Jason Hawkins,

Baxter James, David Mann, Don Ream,

Brett Toles, Bob Veto, Jim Wilson

Children's Church

Casey & Catherine Gardner (2/3K)

Stewart & Shannon Vernon (4/5K)



Altar Flowers



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

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Guy M. Harrington by Mr. & Mrs. Mickey Pope.



Gospel Reading for the Week

Mark 12:13-17

Attendance Last Week

Nine O'clock Worship	46
Eleven O'clock Worship	266
Total Worship Attendance	312



Cam Bishop, Director of Music

Mulberry's Children's Choirs

I'm thankful for those people who so willingly assist with our children's choirs every Wednesday evening. The children love their choir teachers and the choir teachers love these children!

Our preschool Cherub Choir is led by Caroline Perkins and assisted by Judy Hodgens, Lash Woodcock and Pam Johnston. I have the joy of directing the elementary age Wesley Choir with the amazing assistance of Carol Head and Ashley Heuman. The children's wing is full of energy and joyful sounds on Wednesday evenings as our children rehearse their songs and learn about good singing techniques, hymns and how they are serving and praising God with their voices.

Lauren Summers Hodgens Gramm recently sent a letter expressing her thoughts about growing up in Mulberry's choir program, and how it now influences her life as she raises her children. Lauren Summers writes, "I cannot explain the depth of the impact choir has made on my life. There are so many moments that I find myself lost in song; either through words, or humming, or even spontaneously singing to my children...they are all songs I learned in choir. Being a new parent, I have become more reflective about what has made me the person I am, and what I want to impart to my children. Church choir is absolutely on the list!"

Parents, we're thankful that you make Wednesday night choir time a priority in your children's lives. Singing in a choir is a priceless gift for your children. I know you'll all eagerly anticipate hearing them on Wednesday, October 14 and Sunday, October 18.

Cluster Charge Conference

Sunday, September 27

4:00 pm

Riverside UMC



September 30

Menu:

Lasagna
Salad

Children's Menu:

Lasagna
Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches
2% Milk & Apple Juice

Program:

An Evening with Rev. Tommy Perkins



Rev. Bill Culpepper,
Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries

Anchored

Sundays - 5:00 pm

Youth Fellowship

Wednesdays - 6:15 pm

Gazelle Ministry Luncheon

On Sunday, September 27, the Gazelle ministry will have a covered dish luncheon following the 11:00 worship service. Please reserve your spot at this training and registration covered dish and be part of this very rewarding ministry by calling Tommy Perkins at 745-8501, or by emailing him at tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org no later than Thursday, September 24.

Gazelle Ministry is an essential ministry connecting our homebound to the vital community of Mulberry Church. We are currently seeking volunteers in order to establish or renew personal relationships with our homebound members through monthly visits, phone calls, and letters. We are also seeking those interested homebound members who would be willing to receive a monthly visit, letter or phone call to contact Rev. Tommy Perkins at 745-8601, Beth Tripp, or Marilyn Armstrong at (478)335-8363 or marilyn@cox.net.



Esther Circle

The Esther Circle will meet Thursday, October 1, at 12:00 pm in the Parlor.

Grace Circle

The Grace Circle will meet Thursday, October 15 (note change in regular meeting date), at 6:30 pm at the home of Beth Tripp.

A Mulberry Day of "Spirits of Macon"

Thursday, October 8

(Sponsored by Young at Heart)

All are invited to a mid-day luncheon and program featuring Mulberry's own Steve Bell now the new Director of Riverside Cemetery Conservancy. Following the meal, Steve will bring us a program highlighting Riverside's Spirits in Macon which is a very popular community event running evening showings throughout October. Make your reservations by calling the church office, 745-8601 or emailing lparker@mulberrymethodist.org no later than Monday, October 5.



Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries



Confirmation Class 2015- 2016

Remember in your prayers the following kids as they begin their Confirmation classes this month.

This is an important time in their spiritual growth as they prepare for their commitment to claim God's gift of grace, salvation and joyful life in the church.

Confirmands

Cooper Basket te
Gunn Bush, I V
Austin Carter
Olivia Coleman
Isabella Ewing
Maddie Fackler
Will Fackler
Langley Fickling
Carys Fonner
Ben Jamison
Graham Johnst on
Akins Manley
Olivia Mann
Georgia Mercer
Niklas Odet te

Mentors

Emory Dunn
Baxter James
Gordon Johnst on
Paige Mann
Brooke Kinnoss
Marianne Lokey
Vaughan Smith
Rob Evans
Freeda Chapman
Paul Riley
Creede Hinshaw
Rader Sellers
Courtney Basket te
Nita Smith
Becky Kerner
Xavier Tarbox
Jake Jamison
Joseph Drigger s
Gracie Bell
Isabel Newberry
Reilly Brown
Ames Jamison
Micah Johnst on
Emma Johnst on
Alex Newberry
Joseph Whitt en
Matt Newberry
Savannah St one
Sarah Kate Sellers
Ashley English



Sunday, October 18
4:30-6:30 pm
Courtyard

Activities for all ages!
inflatables cupcake walk face painting
costume contest hayride

Apple Pie and Chili Contest
and more!

(Bring your Pie or Chili to the kitchen by 5:00 pm to be entered in the contest.)

Canned good donations will be accepted to benefit Macon Outreach.



Volunteer to Register Our Clients for Lunch

11:00-12:00

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
Warm and friendly faces Apply!!!

If you'd like to volunteer call Robin or Debbie
at 478-743-8026

or email dtowson@mulberrymethodist.org

DAYBREAK

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

Supplies Needed:

Paper Towels Bathroom Tissue

Spray Deodorant

Disinfectant/deodorizing Spray (Lysol)

Baking Soda Men's Crew Socks

Disposable Razors



Living Water Well

Mission Trip to Nicaragua

PRICE DROP Announcement! October 24-31 we are sending a team to drill a well and teach hygiene for a community in need. The cost is \$1000 + \$29 online LWI background check. Spots are currently available!

Please contact Drew Mercer (478) 919-3842

or drewmercer@gmail.com and visit www.water.cc.

Budget Report 2015

Month	Revenue	Expense	Net	Endowment	
				Revenue	Net
Jan	65,946	96,592	(30,646)	0	(30,646)
Feb	83,166	105,627	(22,462)	0	(22,462)
Mar	102,146	113,483	(11,337)	6,000	(5,337)
Apr	86,112	107,031	(20,919)	6,000	(14,919)
May	98,658	99,700	(1,042)	6,000	4,958
Jun	74,263	113,841	(39,578)	6,000	(33,578)
Jul	80,661	104,878	(24,217)	6,000	(18,217)
Aug	97,141	106,791	(9,650)	6,000	(3,650)
Total YTD	688,092	847,943	(159,852)	36,000	(123,852)



Wednesday Morning Bible Study at Riverside UMC

September 16 – October 28, 2015
and January 13 – February 24, 2016
10:30-11:30 am

Edith Schwartz will lead the
Wednesday Morning Bible Study
at Riverside UMC in a study of The Gospels as
depicted in the stained glass windows
of Mulberry Street UMC.

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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, September 27

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
12:15 pm Gazelle Luncheon/F-Hall
4:00 pm Charge Conference/Riverside
5:00 pm Confirmation Class
5:00 pm ANCHORED

Monday, September 28

1:00 pm Cottages on Wesleyan Communion

Tuesday, September 29

8:30 am Prayer Group/Prayer Rm
10:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm
12:00 pm Kiwanis/F-Hall

Wednesday, September 30

9:15 am CCM Chapel
10:30 am M/O Worship
12:30 pm Centering Prayer
4:30 pm UMW Executive Committee 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, October 1

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232
12:00 pm Esther Circle/Parlor
6:30 pm Grace Circle

Sunday, October 4

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:40 am KIDSPRAISE
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Mulberry 101/Conference Room
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
4:00 pm Charge Conference/Riverside
5:00 pm Confirmation Class
5:00 pm ANCHORED



World Communion Sunday Homebound Communion

This World Communion Sunday, October 4 following the 11:00 service in the sanctuary, volunteers will extend the table of the sacrament of Holy Communion with those unable to come to church on their own. You are invited to participate in this very meaningful ministry and sharing of our Lord's Table to Mulberry's homebound members. If you are willing to be part of this as well as give up to 77 minutes between 12:30 and 5:00pm to our homebound members, please contact Tommy Perkins at tperkins@mulberrymethodist.org or 745-8601 no later than Wednesday, September 30. If you are, or know of a member of Mulberry who would like to receive Holy Communion at their home on October 4, please contact the church office so Tommy Perkins can coordinate the visit.

Mulberry 101

Are you interested in learning more about Mulberry Street UMC?
Are you considering joining the church?
Join Jimmy Towson for a 3-week Mulberry 101 class.
Sundays, October 4, 11 & 18
9:45-10:45 am – Conference Room
Call the church office, 745-8601 to sign up for the class.

Volunteers Needed

6th Annual Evening of Hope - Methodist Home October 8, 2015 - 6:30-8:30 pm

Volunteers are needed to help serve food and greet guests for the Evening of Hope fundraiser dinner on October 8 in the Rumford Center.

Coach Dan Reeves will be the speaker, so it will be a great night of fellowship. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Lacey Brantley, 751-2898.

Mulberry Street UMC Staff

Jimmy Towson, Senior Pastor
Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor
Bill Culpepper, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministries
Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist
Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries
Betsy Abbott, Director of Hospitality Erin Frazier, Director, Children's Center
Ann Smith, Spiritual Director Johnny Hathcock, Director, Macon Outreach
Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary
Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian
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