



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 4, 2016

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## WHERE WERE YOU?

In preparation for Sunday, September 11, I read over the timeline of events from that day in 2001 that we will never forget. Each mark on that timeline brought back my own experience of that day. The first entry - 7:59 - AA Flight 11 takes off from Boston's Logan International Airport with 92 people aboard. Flight 11 crashed into the North Tower at 8:46 am. As I scanned each time mark, my heart began to ache again as I relived each event.

Where were you when you first heard of the attacks that day? Will you ever forget it? How has it shaped your life? Do you know anyone who was there? Do you know anyone who lost a loved one?

This year marks the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that fateful day, and, we will remember again the passengers, the office workers, the first responders and others who were killed, injured and impacted by those attacks.

We will ask a hard question, "Why does God allow evil and terrorism?" as we begin the *Why? The Question That Won't Go Away* Sermon Series and Small Group Study.

Remembering is important, but I want us to do something more that day. We want to honor and thank our First Responders. We'll do this by having bags of home-baked cookies for you to take to a First Responder - a law enforcement officer, Emergency Medical personnel (EMTs, ER employees) and members of the Fire Department.

Here's what I am asking you to do:

1. Bake some cookies and bring them to the church on or before September 11<sup>th</sup> packaged in clear baggies in groups of 2 or 3 each.
2. As you leave the worship services on September 11<sup>th</sup>, take a bag of cookies and find a First Responder to give them to.

It will be a great day to be in worship at Mulberry at 9:00 (Chapel), 10:00 (Library Ballroom) or 11:00 (Sanctuary).

Thanks for helping make a difference in our community!





Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries



September 11 - October 16  
5:00-7:00 pm



Half Lock-In for Grades 1-6  
Friday, September 16  
5:00-10:00 pm

### KIDZQUEST Retreat at Epworth

September 23-25

#### 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)
Total YTD	561,140.00	147,198.00	798,419.00	(90,082.00)



### KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY WELCOMES YOUR SUPPORT

Our team of Christian men is preparing another Kairos weekend of spiritual renewal for inmates at Burruss Correctional Training Facility in Forsyth September 15-18, 2016. Steve Rumford and Sam Lamback represent Mulberry in this ministry. 42 inmates will participate. We invite your support. A Kairos table will be set up in the Atrium beginning August 14th. You can help with: 1. Prayers - commit to praying during the weekend by signing the prayer calendar and/or prayer chain links. 2. Home-baked cookies - 6 per ziplock sandwich bag. 3. Cards/art work - Inmates are inspired to receive messages of encouragement and prayer support from children, youth, and adults. (Include child/youth's first name and age only) 4. Financial support. Checks payable to KPMI (Kairos Prison Ministry International). Lives will be changed!



### Kroger Community Rewards

Did you know that you can designate a charity to receive community rewards from Kroger by just swiping your Kroger Plus Card!!

Now until August 31, simply designate Macon Outreach at Mulberry#24515 at [www.kroger.com/community](http://www.kroger.com/community) rewards!

Kroger gave away \$600,000 last year to local schools and non-profits through the Kroger Plus Card. Thanks for designating Macon Outreach!!



Canned Green Beans  
Cereal  
Canned Mixed Vegetables (no Corn)  
Oatmeal in Individual Packets



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

#### Supplies Needed:

Spray Deodorant Body Wash/Shampoo Disposable Razors



### Mission Opportunities

#### Domestic

#### G2G4

#### (Generation 2 Generation)

A Mulberry Intergenerational Mission Trip

January 13-16, 2017

Hinton Rural Center, Hayesville, NC

#### International

#### Water Well Mission Trip to Guatemala

February 11-18, 2017

Contact persons:

Drew Mercer, 478-919-3842 [drewmercerc@gmail.com](mailto:drewmercerc@gmail.com)  
and Sam Lamback, 478-550-3067 [lambacks@bellsouth.net](mailto:lambacks@bellsouth.net).



#### Volunteer Gardeners

Mondays in the Garden - 8:00-10:00 am & 4:00-6:00 pm

Thursdays in the Garden - 8:00-10:00 am & 4:00-6:00 pm

Questions? Call Jack Head 719-7455

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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, September 4

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
9:40 SONRISE  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
5pm Anchored

### Monday, September 5

Labor Day - Church Office Closed

### Tuesday, September 6

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

### Wednesday, September 7

9:15 am CCM Chapel  
10:30 am M/O Worship/Chapel  
4:30 pm UMW 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, September 8

9:30 am Circle of Friends Sewing Group/Rm 232  
12:00 pm Esther Circle/Parlor  
12:00 pm Young at Heart/F-Hall  
5:00-7:00 pm A Night of Prayer/Sanctuary

### Sunday, September 11

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
9:40 SONRISE  
9:45 am Sunday School  
10:00 am NewRoom Service/Library Ballroom  
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
5pm Anchored  
5:00-7:00 pm Kids Small Group



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### Esther Circle

Esther Circle will meet Thursday, September 8 at 12 pm in the Parlor.  
(Please note date change.)

### *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*