



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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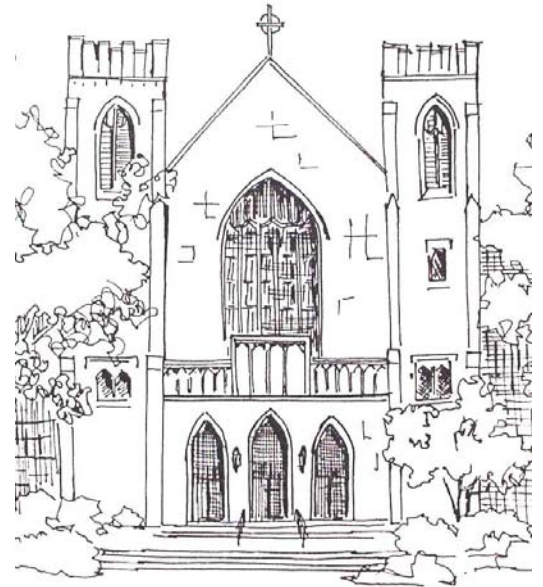
Daily Decisions for God

Creede Hinshaw, Senior Pastor

Our congregation is faced with daily decisions involving every facet of what it means to be Christian. Who will teach Sunday School? How will we proclaim the gospel? What staff positions will we create to serve God? Every decision has implications for the Kingdom of God.

In that spirit, you will be interested in these developments affecting our congregation:

Charge Conference Seeks to Purchase Property: On Monday, August 23, 2004, our charge conference (the official ruling body of this church) approved the purchase of property at 764 Walnut Street for \$145,000. This brick building and parking area, currently housing Sheftall's Barber Shop, sits beside the Walnut Street alley between two parcels of land we already own: a parking lot and a 2-story office building at 770 Walnut Street. Please note that the church will not own this property until the contract has been signed. We will keep you informed on the progress of this transaction.



Charge Conference Authorizes Sale of Hill Place Parsonage: At the same charge conference our leaders approved the sale of the Hill Place parsonage (Giselle Rémy lives there) for a net price of \$130,000. This parsonage was developing some structural damage that led the trustees to decide it would be better to sell the property than repair it.

Parsonage Overview: In light of the above action, the trustees have appointed a committee to re-visit our church's overall position of parsonages and housing allowances. In the meantime, they will give Giselle Rémy a housing allowance to find a suitable place to live. Our other parsonage family, Jimmy, Debbie and Jim Towson, currently receives a housing allowance. (Keep the Towsons in your prayers in their effort to sell their house in Monroe County.)

Macon Outreach Update: To date we have received about half a dozen applications for Director of Macon Outreach. The search committee will soon have a report on a new director. In the meantime, another church committee is revising our Covenant of Understanding with Macon Outreach. This important work will guide the way we conduct this ministry well into the future.

Rich, Generous and Grateful: This is our 2005 Stewardship Theme. God has made us rich in every way so that we can be generous in every occasion (2 Cor 9:11). Seek God's guidance in your support of God's work here!

Creede

WORSHIP SERVICES

September 5, 2004

Nine O'clock - Chapel

Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

Reverend Creede Hinshaw

"I Surrender All?"

Luke 14: 25-33

"Candid Camera" Sunday, September 19th

Refreshments: 9:45 a.m.

Presentation: 10:00 a.m.

All Sunday School Classes make plans to meet in the Fellowship Hall to hear a brief presentation regarding our recent stewardship achievements and goals for 2005. A fun video featuring our church members will be shown. After the program we will move into the Sanctuary for 11:00 a.m. worship.

Mark your calendars for this informative and fun event!



Fall Choir Schedule

O sing to the Lord a new song.

Psalm 98:1

Ainsworth Choir

(College Students and Adults)

Wednesday, September 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Young Spirit Singers

(Grades 7-12)

Sunday, September 12

Guys: 4:45-5:15 Girls: 5:15-6:00

Children's Choirs

Wednesday, September 8

Cherub (K4-K5) 6:30-7:00

Carol (Grades 1-3) 6:30-7:00

Covenant (Grades 4-6) 6:30-7:15

Assisting With Worship

Ushers for Nine O'clock

Warren Dunn and Frank Hall

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Jason Anthoine, Austin Carter, Brian Eades, Jeff Golmitz, Jackie Harper, Ken Harper, Tina Kuncaitis, Moira Lacey, Tommy Lacey, David Mann, Bob Middleton, Mack Minton, Jim Rice and Kenneth Thompson

Sunday School Greeters -

Berg-Brenner

Children's Church -

Marianne Lokey

Attendance Last Sunday

Nine O'clock Worship	66
Eleven O'clock Worship	340
Total Worship Attendance	406
Sunday School	354

Uganda Mission Trip

September 20 - October 2

Jimmy Towson, Associate Pastor

We are very excited to announce that **Jimmy Towson** and **Jessica Tripp** will take part in the South Georgia Conference mission trip to Humble Place in Mukono, Uganda from Sept. 20 through Oct. 2. Rev. Daniel Wandabula will welcome us to Uganda (after 23 hours of flight time) and has set our schedule of work and visitation. We will help build school rooms at Humble Place and explore other needs for future mission trips to Uganda. It is incredible to think that Mulberry will have had a significant presence on two continents during 2004!

You will remember that Daniel Wandabula preached at Mulberry in June 2004, and we were blessed with his presence and his spirit. The need in Uganda is almost overwhelming. You should have seen the love in Daniel's face when he explained that he buried 30 children in his church during the last year alone. What can Mulberry do to help? We pray God will show us!

We need your help with the cost of this trip which is set at \$2,800.00 each. Please partner with us by making a contribution to the church marked "Uganda Mission Trip" and keep us in your prayers as we prepare and as we leave our families here to see what God has in store for us in Uganda. We are proud to be your representatives on this incredible mission opportunity!

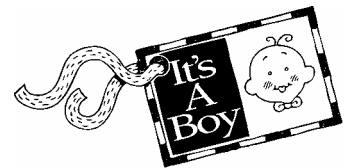


Remember the Playground

We are raising \$60,000 so we can equip our playground with equipment. So far we have received \$49,329. Please be generous for the sake of our children and grandchildren.

Young At Heart

Come and bring a friend to Young at Heart on September 9th at 12:30 p.m. Judge Tommy Day Wilcox will present a very enlightening program. Cost will be \$4.00 payable at lunch. Reservations must be called in to the church office by noon, Tuesday, September 7th.



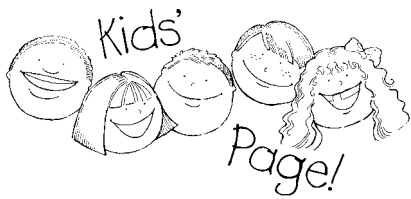
Congratulations, It's a Boy!

Congratulations to Ben and Rachel Hoover on the birth of their son, Anderson Thomas Hoover, on August 18, 2004.



Martha Thompson, Altar Guild

The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of David Hancock by Elizabeth and Jeff Hancock and Mary Elizabeth Williams.



Jessica Tripp
Director of Children & Family Ministries



2005

Be on the lookout for all of the upcoming events for this group, beginning this fall. I will soon begin the search for a prayer partner for each of our confirmands. Please call me if you feel God calling you to help guide and encourage a sixth grader. Our 2004-2005 Confirmation Class is:

- Jennifer Allen A.J. Banks
- Annie Blanks Rosemary Dann
- Adam Hendley Anna Mae Kersey
- Mary Katherine Kersey Katherine Knott
- Evan Place Clare Powell
- Alex Prather William Carl Reynolds, III
- Emily Sparks Hayley Spillers
- Colby Watson

Please be in prayer as we continue as a community of believers on this journey together.

*Break through the boredom
become involved
claim your faith
and find . . .*

HIGHER DIMENSIONS

Join us every Sunday morning
at 9:30 a.m.

in the Children's Assembly Room
*A time of praise and worship,
fun and games awaits you at*

HIGHER DIMENSIONS

(A TIME OF WORSHIP & GROWTH FOR
CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES)

KIDZQUEST AT EPWORTH

September 17-19

Don't miss this exciting weekend of fun and fellowship for 3rd - 6th graders. The kids who went last year can't wait to go again. Take a leap of faith and dive into an awesome weekend adventure. If you have never been on a kids retreat, NOW IS THE TIME! Don't hesitate. Grow in your relationship with Jesus now. You should have received your registration information in the mail.

Youth Schedule

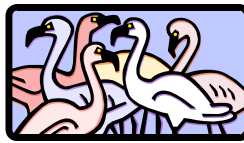
Jimmy Towson,
Director of Youth



UMYF – 6:00--8:00 p.m.

September 5 – No UMYF
September 12 – “The Deep End”
September 19 – “JAWS”

**Senior High Bible Study
Monday Nights – 7:30 p.m.
at the Nazarene Bean**



DON'T FORGET THE FLOCK!!

Once again the flock is looking for a place to land. Won't you flock your neighbor? \$15 to flock, \$10 to remove or \$25 flock insurance. Call Jimmy or any of the Youth.



BRICK FUND RAISER

The bricks are up! We have completed the bricking of the youth area, but have not sold all of the bricks yet. So, please make your donation of \$5.00 per brick in honor or memory of someone you love. Help the YOUTH complete this fund raiser. Make your check payable to the church with a note “Youth Bricks” and the names of the individuals you wish to honor. And, stop by and see the work the youth and counselors have completed!

UMYF
Snack
Supper



September 5 – No Meal
September 12 – Terry Bass
September 19 – Steve & Melynn Canova



September 8
5:45 p.m.

Menu

Roast Beef Rice & Gravy
Mixed Vegetables Sliced Tomatoes
Tea Coffee
Ice Cream in the Courtyard

Also available for children:
peanut butter and jelly sandwiches

Program

Matthew and Tami-Tesch Jerles



Macon Outreach needs men's clothing (underwear, knit shirts and pants) urgently. All sizes are needed – especially small and medium sizes.



VISIT OUR
WEB SITE

Mulberry Street UMC
Newsletter is now on
the church web site!
Check it out!

www.mulberrymethodist.org

Vacant Office Building

Creede Hinshaw, Senior Pastor

As of July 31 the Conference Administrative Offices have moved to a new location in Macon. Our building, located in the front corner of our parking lot facing Mulberry Street, is vacant and in need of a tenant. If you have any leads, please contact the church office.

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

Pastor on Call

Weekend: September 4-5
Creede Hinshaw

Custodian on Duty

Sunday, September 5
John Matthews

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 5

9:00 a.m. Worship/Chapel
9:30 a.m. Children/Youth attend
"Higher Dimensions" in the
Children's Assembly Room
9:45 a.m. Mulberry, Methodism &
Membership Cls, Parlor
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Ainsworth Choir
11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels,
Conf Rm

Monday, September 6 (Labor Day)

Church Office Closed
7:30 p.m. Senior High Bible Study

Tuesday, September 7

6:30 a.m. Men's Starter Group
8:30 a.m. Prayers of the People
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, September 8

7:00 a.m. Emmaus Group/Joshua Cup
4:00 p.m. Paula Motes Circle/Conf Rm
4:00 p.m. Singing Saints/Sol-Fel Cls
5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs
6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Ainsworth Choir

Thursday, September 9

10:00 a.m. The Purpose Driven Life
Study/Conf Rm
12:00 p.m. Young at Heart



Mulberry Street UMC Staff

M. Creede Hinshaw, Senior Pastor
Giselle Rémy, Associate Pastor
Jimmy Towson, 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
Jessica Tripp, Director of Children's
& Family Ministry
Beth Smith, Church Hostess
Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary
Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary
Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian
Arnold Freeman, Custodian
John Matthews, Custodian



Monday, September 6th

Church Office
will be closed.

***The Mission Statement of
Mulberry Street
United Methodist Church***

*We believe that God calls us
to worship, prayer, love and fellowship so
that we may share God's grace with others.*

Circle Meeting

The Paula Motes Circle will meet on
Wednesday, September 8th at 4:00 p.m.
in the conference room at the church.
Please bring dried peas, also toilet articles.

MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

Gifts received through August 23, 2004

Memorial Fund

*In memory of Trudie James by
Mr. Guy M. Harrington
Mrs. Dot James
Mr. & Mrs. Ricky James*