



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF PRAYER...

A pastor came to the time during prayer meeting when he asked all who had special prayer requests to raise their hands. His mind must have been on the previous business session when he then said, "All opposed by the same sign."

Who can be opposed to prayer?

A small committee in our church is attempting to draw up a plan so that we can completely eliminate our \$400,000 debt in 2006. At their most recent meeting they decided to expand the circle of prayer. By now you have perhaps received a prayer card from this group, simply seeking the faithful prayers of this congregation for God's wisdom and boldness as we approach this task. I hope you have posted your prayer card in a prominent place...and that you are praying!

Who can be opposed to prayer?

God enables truly miraculous things to happen when we pray!

I am grateful for those within this church that take prayer seriously...a group of dedicated church women who have met weekly for years to pray over the church and world...a group of men who are now engaged in this same vital activity. Both groups are lay led and open to all.

Who can be opposed to prayer?

Recently the Becomers Sunday School Class met in the church kitchen to prepare and then serve our church staff a delicious meal at Staff Appreciation Evening. (Your staff truly felt coddled!!!) A report that warmed my heart was that, prior to the serving of the meal, this Sunday School Class joined hands in that kitchen and prayed over the meal and for God's hand to be a part of the entire evening.

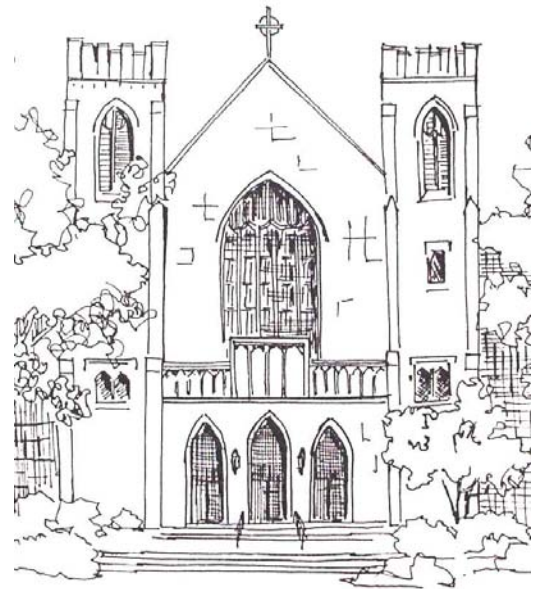
Who can be opposed to prayer?

I am being renewed over the importance of prayer in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. You will see subtle but important changes in how we prepare for the sacrament. For instance, we will be making room for silent prayer during the prayer of confession.

Who can be opposed to prayer?

"Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

-Joseph M. Scriven, 1855



Circle

Worship Services

Sunday, October 16, 2005

Nine O'clock - Chapel

Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

Jimmy Towson, preaching

"Dead Man Walking"

John 3: 1-15

Assisting With Worship

Ushers for Nine O'clock

Greg Williams, Ken Scruggs

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Jeff Amerson, Terry Bass, Chad Bevell, Bruce Bryant, Harold Downs, J.B. Easterlin, Alan Frank, Eric Hefner, Bill Jarrard, Jim Lawton, Bob McCormick, Wesley Rauls, Randy Sams, Rader Sellers, Russ Vaughn

Sunday School Greeters – Rosser II

Attendance Last Sunday

Nine O'clock Worship	66
Eleven O'clock Worship	285
Total Worship Attendance	351
Sunday School	311



Altar & Flowers

Heidi Ream, Altar Guild

The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rhuel E. Shelley by Mrs. Virginia Shelley.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of Gail Springstead by Pam, Chipper, Trey & Allison Yates.



To Richard & Jean Fallis upon the death of his father, Dr. William Fallis, of Nashville, TN, on September 20, 2005.



October 23rd

Fall Festival begins at 4:30
Chili Cook-Off begins at 6:00



Candy Needed for Fall Festival

Please bring in bags of individually wrapped candy for our fall festival. The collection box is located in front of the parlor.



Evelyn M. Rodgers
September 10, 2005



Macon Outreach Grocery Pantry Needs

Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach

Canned Good of the Month

Canned Vegetables:

(peas, pumpkin, carrots & yams)

Help us fill those grocery bags!

Thanks for all you do!

Find Me Faithful

2006 Budget:	\$1,125,725
Pledged:	\$ 912,035
Additional Pledges Needed:	\$ 213,690



Cam Bishop,
Director of Music

Don't Forget

Covenant Choir sings
Sunday, October 23 at 11:00

Carol Choir sings
Wednesday October 26
for SPARK at 6:30

Handbell Choir rings Sunday,
October 30 at 11:00

Young Spirit sings
Sunday, November 6 at 11:00

Third Tuesday Organ Interludes

Four downtown churches are beginning a series of midday organ concerts to be held on the third Tuesday of each month, October through May. These thirty-minute programs will feature local as well as guest organists and are designed to allow people to come during their lunch hour, hear some of the finest pipe organs in the area, and enjoy the beauty of these historic churches. Though all of these programs are free, donations will be accepted at each concert and designated to a downtown area ministry. The participating churches and their recipients are Christ Episcopal Church (Rector's Discretionary Fund, which funds assistance for those in need), First Presbyterian Church (Campus Club, an outreach ministry to inner city youth), Mulberry Street United Methodist Church (Macon Outreach), and St. Joseph Catholic Church (Mother and Child Ministry). The first concert will be held at Christ Episcopal Church on Tuesday, October 18, 12:00-12:30 p.m. and will feature Dr. Robert Parris as organist.

Congratulations
on Your
New Baby!



Congratulations to Rader & Kate Sellers upon the birth of their daughter, Campbell Ann Sellers, born October 3, 2005.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jessica Tripp,

Director of Children & Family Ministries



6th Grade Bible Study

"The Will of God"

Sunday Nights:

October 2 - November 13

4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Children's Assembly Room

Confirmation Class Requirement



The Rock Ranch Camp-Out

November 4-5

1st-6th graders - \$30

Registration deadline:

October 2

(1st & 2nd graders must be accompanied by a parent)



Night of Mystery Day of Service

for rising 3rd-6th Graders

November 20-21

DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Youth Ministry

Jimmy Towson,
Director of Youth



UMYF

Sunday Nights - 6:00 p.m.

Senior High Bible Study

Monday Nights - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

6:30 p.m. - "The Will of God"



Sunday, October 16

UMYF - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

All youth parents are invited to a "Parents' Meeting" at UMYF on October 16th. Come and hear the plans for Mulberry's Youth Ministry and experience what our youth are experiencing on Sunday Nights. Please bring a COVERED DISH for supper.

THE CROSS OF CHRIST

If you have visited the Upper Room lately, you may have seen the new wooden cross handcrafted by P. M. Watson. This addition to the Youth Room provides a beautiful reminder of the precious gift of Jesus Christ. Please be sure to express your gratitude to P. M.

Awanita Valley Winter Retreat

Due to overwhelming demand, we will return to Awanita Valley for our Third Winter Retreat leaving on Monday, December 26 and returning Thursday, December 29. In order to participate in this retreat, each youth will have to "earn" points by attending youth, Sunday school, bible study and other youth activities. You do not want to miss this GREAT spiritual retreat! So, start earning your points now! See Jimmy for details.

UMYF
Snack
Supper



October 16

Bill & Cindy Jarrard

October 23

Don & Cheryl Jones



S.P.A.R.K.

October 19

5:45 p.m.

Menu

Baked Chicken
Mixed Vegetables
Rice & Gravy
Sliced Tomatoes
Rolls
Boston Cream Pie
Tea Coffee

Also available for children:
peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

Program

S.P.A.R.K. Session 5

Search for Member Addresses

Our church has lost track of the following church members. It is our goal to locate them in order to encourage them to return to active membership in this congregation or seek spiritual growth elsewhere. If you can supply a CURRENT ADDRESS for these members, please call the church office, 745-8601.

- * Richard Altman
- Ms. Patricia Cowart
- * Mr. Haywood

The names with * will be dropped from our rolls as charge conference if we cannot locate these members.

Pacesetters II is Revived!

The first day of celebration of the revived Macon District Older Adults will be Thursday, October 20th at Vineville UMC. We will have a seminar "Preparation for Death" given by Phil McGoldrick at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be at 12:30 p.m. with Dr. Linda Hall Smyth, a fantastic pianist presenting the program. Cost is \$7.00. Please call 745-3331 to make reservations for lunch by October 14th.

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

Pastor on Call

Weekend: October 15-16 – Jimmy Towson

Custodian on Duty

Sunday, October 16 – Doris Andrews

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 16

9:00 a.m. Worship/Chapel
9:30 a.m. Children/Youth - Higher Dimensions/
Children's Assembly Room
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Mulberry, Methodism & More Class/Parlor
11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. 6th Grade Bible Study/Children's Assembly Rm
5:00 p.m. Young Spirit Singers
6:00 p.m. UMYF

Monday, October 17

7:00 p.m. Senior High Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Grace Circle

Tuesday, October 18

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
6:30 a.m. Men's Sermon Group
8:00 a.m. Executive Com Mtg/Conf Rm
8:30 a.m. Prayers of the People
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m. Deborah Circle/Home of Heidi Ream

Wednesday, October 19

10:00 a.m. Yoga for Longevity/1st-2nd Grd Cls
4:30 p.m. Debt Committee Mtg
5:15 p.m. Handbells
5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night S.P.A.R.K.
6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs
6:30 p.m. Youth Bible
7:30 p.m. Ainsworth Choir

Thursday, October 20

10:30 a.m. Trinity Circle/Parlor
12:00 p.m. Community Foundation Luncheon/Fel-Hall

Mulberry Street UMC Staff

M. Creede Hinshaw, Senior 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
Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach
Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary
Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary
Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian
Arnold Freeman, Custodian

Memorials/Honorariums

Gifts received through October 5, 2005

Macon Outreach Fund

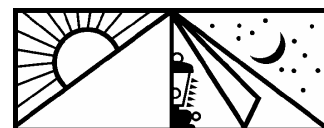
In honor of Mr. & Mrs. "Bud" Phillips by Frances LaVada M. Allen
In honor of Yetta Price by Mrs. Mervyn S. Dasher
In honor of Ray & Anna Dominy by Mrs. Mervyn S. Dasher
In memory of Grace E. Carmichael by George & Barbara Hunnicutt
In memory of Amy Crain by Dr. & Mrs. Derek McAleer
In memory of Clavis Jewell "C.J." Hinshaw by Ed & Melinda Powell
In memory of Mrs. Eulalia Williams by Mr. Jack Alexander
In memory of Charles Cox by June Smith
In memory of Grey Brown by
Mrs. Marjorie L. Lovein Mrs. Tommy J. Griffith

Acolyte Guild

In memory of Grey Brown by
Mr. & Mrs. H. W. Harper, III Mrs. Elizabeth M. Parker
Mr. & Mrs. Jack Gayle Mrs. Thelma Deep Mr. & Mrs. Ronald A. Bargainnier
Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Inzer, Jr. Mrs. Dorothy S. Dye Altar Guild Mrs. Frances Kite
Mr. & Mrs. T. Baldwin Martin, Jr. Mrs. Rosa D. Shaheen Mr. & Mrs. Timothy L. Anderson
Mrs. William P. Simmons Mr. & Mrs. Beal F. Williams Mrs. Helen S. Kernaghan
Mrs. Jackie J. Poteet Solomon-Fellowship Class
Miss Florence Grenade Mrs. Wynelle B. Flynn

Building Fund

In memory of Grey Brown by
Mrs. Anna F. Collier Mr. & Mrs. T. Baldwin Martin, Jr.



↪ **FDR Sate Park**
December 9-11

See "Fantasy In Lights" at Callaway Gardens.
Reservations: GA State Parks: 800-864-7275
Let Jeff know when you make your reservations.