



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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CHANGING SEASONS

By the time you receive this newsletter, October will be fast drawing to a close. In some ways this is the best time of the year...cool mornings, glorious afternoons, football and The World Series, on the weekends, the changing of the season and promise of Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas right around the corner.

In this changing season here is some of what's happening at MSUMC:

*Pray for a Bobby Gale led mission team to Uganda that includes one of our own church members, Elna Harrison.

*Give thanks that our "Find Me Faithful" Pledge Campaign that has been tremendously successful. We are at \$1,006,614 towards a budget of \$1,125,725 with every expectation of receiving the last few pledges very soon. We will be in great shape fiscally for 2006.

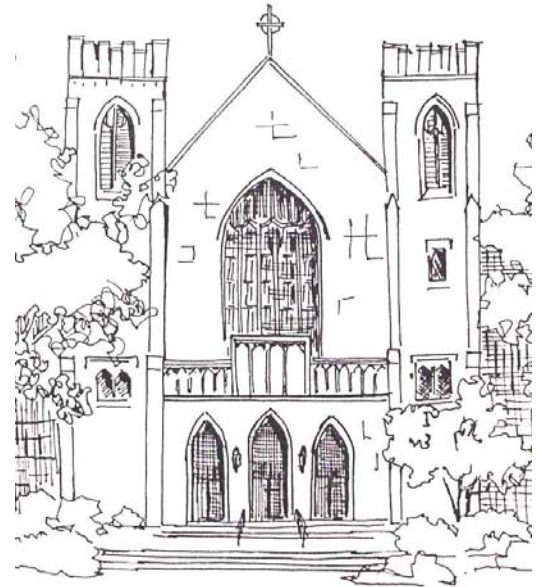
*Be in prayer for our Music Committee as members explore options for replacing our "deceased" chapel organ. We have an organ "on trial," but are not close to making any decisions.

*Celebrate with our 6th graders; they are involved in a Sunday Night Bible study on The Will of God, taught by Jessica Tripp. Our youth are studying this same topic on Wednesday nights with Jimmy Towson.

*Prepare for our annual interfaith worship service. We join with our friends from Congregation Sha'Arej Israel, St. Joseph's Catholic Church and High Street Unitarian-Universalist Church on November 22nd. The service this year is at High Street...details forthcoming.

*Continue to pray for racial reconciliation in our community. There are signs of hope in Macon of different races working, worshiping and living in harmony. A newly formed group, The Downtown Clergy Association, is exploring avenues for even more cooperation. Currently we are learning about issues facing the Pleasant Hill neighborhood.

*Resolve to be faithful in worship attendance. Every week begins best in worship. Don't miss an opportunity to meet God here!



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Worship Services

Sunday, October 30, 2005

Nine O'clock - Chapel

Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

Creede Hinshaw, preaching

"The Power of a Good Example"

Matthew 23: 1-12

Assisting With Worship

Ushers for Nine O'clock

Greg Williams, Ken Scruggs

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Jeff Amerson, Terry Bass, Chad Beville, 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	82
Eleven O'clock Worship	331
Total Worship Attendance	413
Sunday School	290



Martha Thompson, Altar Guild

The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Roy L. Kennedy, Jr. by Carolyn C. Kennedy.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Arthur Motes and Molly Motes Gifford by Paula Motes.



Time Changes
This Sunday!



(JAM)

On Saturday, November 12th at 7:30 p.m., JAM will attend the Chekhov play *The Three Sisters*, presented at the Backdoor Theatre on the Mercer University campus. Tickets are \$5. We will meet at 6:00 p.m. for dinner at the Fresh Food Co., the student cafeteria at Mercer. The all-you-can-eat meal is \$7. Call Russ Barber (745-8063) by **October 30th** for tickets.



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!



Cam Bishop,
Director of Music

Handbell Choir rings Sunday,
October 30 at 11:00

Young Spirit sings
Sunday, November 6 at 11:00

Pictorial Directory

Was your family photographed for the new pictorial directory? If not, would you like to submit a photo to be included in the new pictorial directory? Please send a photo to the church office and write the names on the back of the photo. The photos will be returned. **The deadline for submitted pictures is November 1st.** If you have any questions, please call Heidi Ream, 474-8618.

Young at Heart

Thursday, November 10
12:30 p.m.

Bring a friend and join us for lunch. Cost will be \$4.00 and can be paid as you go through the line. Reservations must be made by calling the church office by noon, Monday, November 7th.



UMW Fall General Meeting and Luncheon

Tuesday, November 15th
12:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

General Fund Budget Report

Month	Gifts	Expense	Net
January	83,623	82,389	1,234
February	67,267	82,536	(15,269)
March	78,610	96,839	(18,229)
April	73,070	84,155	(11,086)
May	103,133	82,957	20,957
June	62,473	82,745	(20,272)
July	115,872	80,916	34,956
August	75,806	87,094	(11,288)
September	86,500	88,153	(1,653)
Net Total			(20,650)



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 - \$20

(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

Historical Room . . .

For the month of October, the Historical Room window is featuring a display on the Steven-Taylor Memorial Chapel.

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"

UMYF - October 30

Youth Party

at

"The Lake of Terror"

Meet at Raul's lake house at 6:00 p.m. Parents pick up at 8:00 p.m. BRING A FRIEND!

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 30

Dennis & Dana Kersey

November 6

Steve & Patsy Knott

Hurricane Katrina

Relief Work

Wednesday, November 30 -

Saturday, December 4

What a way to prepare for the Holidays - serving the Lord in Louisiana! We need a work team from Mulberry and have these dates available to do our part with clean-up. If you want to go, please call Jimmy at 719-3940.



S.P.A.R.K.

November 2 - 5:45 p.m.

Menu

Turkey & Dressing

Turnip Greens

Sweet Potato Soufflé

Cranberry Sauce

Rolls Pecan Pie

Tea Coffee

Also available for children:
peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

Program

Session 6

Macon Outreach

"Snack Packs"

Debbie Towson, Director of Macon Outreach

If you see someone in need on Sunday mornings and nights, we now have "Snack Packs" available in the church office under the table, right inside the door - grab a bag of goodies and help offer kindness. Also let them know about lunch on Saturdays and Sundays at 12:00 noon, served at Christ Episcopal Church, one block down on Walnut Street. If there is need of further assistance, please ask them to come see us at Macon Outreach on Monday. We'll be glad to help. Thanks for joining us in ministry and keep bringing Vienna sausage, fruit, chips, crackers and a drink for a weekend snack pack.

Wesley Glen Golf

Tournament

November 7th - 1:00 p.m.

Idle Hour Golf & Country Club

Four-man scramble

\$150 (tax deductible)

(includes cart, golf, prizes & dinner)

If you are interested in participating in this fund raiser, please contact Jimmy

Towson at 719-3940.

Welcome Recent Visitors

Larry, Maryann, Logan & Jacob Bates, Lark Bedrick, Beverly Blake, Brook Bristow, Lynn Carithers, Grace Clifford, Gordon & Julie Garner, Dan & Miriam Hagan, Kim & Jay Murdock, Jennifer Murray, Jefte Respaliza, Lee Twombly.

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

Pastor on Call

Weekend: October 29-30 – Jimmy Towson

Custodian on Duty

Sunday, October 30 – Doris Andrews

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 30

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 31

7:00 p.m. Senior High Bible Study

Tuesday, November 1

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
6:30 a.m. Men's Sermon Group
8:30 a.m. Prayers of the People
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, November 2

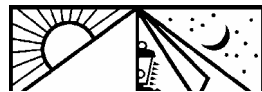
4:30 p.m. UMW Executive Com Mtg/Conf Rm
4:30 p.m. Debt Committee Mtg
5:15 p.m. Handbells
5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night S.P.A.R.K.
6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs
6:30 p.m. Youth Bible
7:30 p.m. Ainsworth Choir

Thursday, November 3

10:00 a.m. Yoga for Longevity/1st-2nd Grd Cls
12:00 p.m. Esther Circle/Parlor

Friday-Saturday, November 4-5

The Rock Ranch Camp-Out (1st-6th Graders)



Scampers

FDR State 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.

Memorials/Honorariums

Gifts received through October 19, 2005

Acolyte Guild

In memory of Grey Johnson Brown by
Mrs. Hannah M. Greene
Ms. L. E. Ashurst
Council on Ministries
Mr. & Mrs. John Swiderski
Mr. & Mrs. W. Vaughan Smith
Mrs. Barbara Suzanne Stephens
The Gables on Forsyth, LLC

Bus Fund

In memory of Ellee Alexander Williams by
Mrs. Marie F. Williams

Emma Richardson Fund

In honor of Janice Ketchie on her Birthday
by Mrs. Kay Leaphart

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

Belk Charity Days

October 28-29

Tickets - \$5

Take an extra 20% off all regular,
sale & clearance.

From 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

\$5 off any \$25 purchase

**ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
MACON OUTREACH**

Tickets available in the church office –
make checks payable to
Macon Outreach

Esther Circle Meeting

The Esther Circle will meet on
November 3, 2005 at 12:00 noon in
the Parlor; Ester Sparks is the Hostess,
and Tip Barfield is the Co-Hostess.
Marianne Dunn will be leading the
lesson from *The Parables of Jesus*, by
William Barclay, Chapters 5 & 6.
Donations of food and clothing for
Macon Outreach should be brought to
the meeting.