



MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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METHODISM FOR DUMMIES

Earlier this summer I told you that I wanted to approach the 12th year of my appointment as your pastor as if it were my first year here. The first year of a pastor's appointment is often a year of discovery. It is often also a year when the congregation, under the direction of the Holy Spirit, evaluates the direction it is heading, proposes necessary changes and embarks with new energy to God's intended destination. I pray that this can happen for us (and for me) this year.

To that end, I am preaching a 4 week sermon series in August entitled "Methodism for Dummies." It will address the very most basic "general rules" set out by John Wesley for those who were Methodists. .

Wesley had one "condition" and 3 general rules for all who sought to become Methodist. These four "requirements" make the basis for a very interesting examination of the most elementary characteristics of a Methodist. I am eager to worship with you this August and to explore these themes together in worship!

Here are worship and sermon themes for August:

August 6: FLEE THE WRATH, based on Amos 5: 18-20
"There is only one condition required:
a desire to flee from the wrath to come and to be saved from their sins."

August 13: DO NO HARM, based on 1 Thessalonians 5:22
"Avoid evil of every kind, especially that which is most generally practiced..."

August 20: DO GREAT GOOD, based on 1 John 1: 9-10
"Be in every way merciful, as you have opportunity,
of doing good of every possible sort and, as far as possible, to all..."

August 27: FOLLOW GOD'S RULES, based on Matthew 7: 24-27
"Attend upon all the ordinances of God, such as: worship,
Lord's Supper, Bible study, prayer and fasting, growth in small groups..."

CHURCH NIGHT SUPPER/WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPARK

Church Night Supper begins this month! Our first meal back together will be August 16. Bryan Barnette (of Theatre Macon *Titanic* fame) will sing Broadway show tunes. We will also begin publicizing an outstanding lineup of small groups for autumn in our S.P.A.R.K. (Spiritual Academy for Renewal and Knowledge). Details next week!

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Worship Services

Sunday, August 6, 2006

Nine O'clock - Chapel

Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

"Flee the Wrath"
Amos 5: 18-20

Creede Hinshaw, preaching

Assisting with Worship

Ushers for Nine O'clock

Tim Anderson, Bill Ham

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Gary Dunn, Keith Fackler, Scott Huggins, Gardner Long, James Palmer, Jodi Palmer, Don Ream, Vaughan Smith, Bill Sparks, David Stanley, Lee Stevens, Bo Walker, P.M. Watson

Sunday School Greeters

Mustard Seed Class

Altar Flowers



Martha Thompson, Altar Guild

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, Rev. and Mrs. Albert Ray, Rev. Harold L. Chapman, Sr., and in honor of Madge W. Chapman by Freeda and Harold Chapman.

Have you joined the 37 Cent Club?

For just \$96.20 you can feed someone for one year!

Debt Elimination Progress

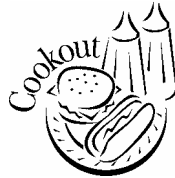
Month	Loan Balance
December	\$634,803
January	\$310,554
February	\$289,365
March	\$270,794
April	\$215,551
May	\$170,960
June	\$145,588



and Promotion Sunday Sunday, August 13

10:00 a.m. - Sanctuary

All Sunday School classes 4K - adults are invited to participate.



Church-Wide Cook-Out Sunday, August 13

5:00-7:30 p.m.

Atrium & Courtyard

All ages!

Cook-out under the atrium, fun & games in the courtyard.

Cost: \$5 per plate (hamburger or hot dog, baked beans, chips & drink).

Pathways to a Healthy Church

August 19th - Trinity UMC

9:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$25 adults/\$3 children

Clergy and laypersons are urged to use this opportunity to hear new ideas and find empowerment to be a healthy and vital church. Helping churches to live the vision to be faithful, fruitful and bold! Registration forms are available in the church office.



Cam Bishop,
Director of Music

The New Year Choir Begins

Children's Choirs

Cherub Choir (K4-K5)

Carol Choir (Grades 1-3)

Covenant Choir (Grades 4-6)

First Rehearsal is Wednesday,

August 16 at 6:30

Registration Cards in Atrium

Young Spirit Singers

Grades 7-12

First Rehearsal is Sunday,

August 20 at 4:45

Registration cards in Atrium

Ainsworth Choir

College and Adults

Rehearsals resume Wednesday,

August 16 at 7:30

Join the Fight Against Alzheimer's

Memory Walk 2006

Friday, October 6th

6:00 p.m. - Shrine Park

Please join our team for the Memory Walk 2006.

We need your help by signing up to walk or by making a donation.

Let's help find the cure!

Visit Mulberry's own website to join our team or donate at

<http://centralgamemorywalk.kintera.org/mulberry>

Call Mary Anne Gaudry, team captain for Mulberry, if you have any questions (477-0638).



Macon Outreach needs school supplies and good kids clothes to give out on August 10th for school.



Jessica Tripp, Director of Children & Family Ministries

TEACHER AND VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Sunday, August 6

12:15 p.m.

Children's Assembly Room



All Sunday School teachers are required to attend. If you have never taught Sunday School before and are interested, please attend.

Lunch will be served.



August 13
10:00 a.m.



Uganda Medical Mission Team Trip
October 23-November 6



2006 Scampers Calendar
→ Bald Mountain Park
Resort Campground - October 5-9



Cameron Bishop, Director of Youth

UMYF – Sundays

6:00 pm

God designed you for a reason. Following Mac Lucado's book, *Cure for the Common Life*, we're looking at how we can use our uniqueness to make a big deal out of every day of our lives.

Senior High Bible Study Monday Nights – 7:00 pm

UMYF
Snack
Supper



August 6

Chris & Melinda
McLendon

August 13

James & Jodi Palmer

Macon Outreach

Our pantry is very low at present.

We are out of:

- Flour Canned Potatoes
- Mixed Vegetables Mixed Fruit
- Pork & Beans
- Dried black-eyed peas
- Mackerel Misc. Greens
- Canned Sweet Peas Yams
- Cookies

We are very low in:

- Grits Soups Mac & Cheese
- Mixed Beans Peanut Butter
- Cereal

Other Needs

deodorant & razors

Clothing Needs

URGENT NEED:

men's clothes, boots & work shoes

Johnny Hathcock, Director
johnnymom@bellsouth.net

You Can Support Relief Efforts

As the bombing continues in both Lebanon and Israel, United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) partners in the area are determining the best way to bring relief in this rapidly changing situation. Travel in the region is difficult, preventing relief supply delivery and evacuation of the area. UMCOR is also working to bring relief in Palestine where blockage of funds following the January elections in Palestine has resulted in a lack of basic necessities in this conflicted region. Those who suffer the most tend to be the area's poorest populations. UMCOR is helping to supply aid through ACT International partner organizations already at work in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank. Food, health care, and educational assistance are being provided. You can support both relief efforts through UMCOR Advance #601740, Middle East Emergency.

Questions About Bird Flu?

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) has launched a new resource on their website. Although bird (avian) flu is currently limited to fowl and is only occasionally transmitted to those in close contact with infected birds, there remains a risk that this virus will change so that it can spread between people. If this happens the world may have a flu pandemic. Churches are in a special position to be a positive force in response to a bird flu pandemic. Whether you're a church member, pastor or a layperson simply wanting to be more informed, these web pages will help you distinguish fact from myth. Go to www.new.gbgm-umc.org/umcor and click on "bird flu" for more information.

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

Pastor on call: August 5-6 – Creede Hinshaw

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 6

9:00 am Worship/Chapel
9:45 am Children/Youth - Higher Dimensions
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary
6:00 pm UMYF

Monday, August 7

5:00 pm Lay Leadership Committee Mtg/Conf Rm
5:30 pm COM Chairs & Program Staff Mtg/Conf Rm
7:00 pm Senior High Bible Study

Tuesday, August 8

6:30 am Men's Bible Study/Conf Rm
6:30 am Men's Sermon Starter Group
8:30 am Prayers of the People/Conf Rm
10:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm

Thursday, August 10

5:00 pm SPR Committee Mtg/Conf Rm

Mulberry Street UMC Staff

M. Creede Hinshaw, Senior Pastor
Cile Mitchell, 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
Cameron Bishop, Director of Youth Ministries
*Jessica Tripp, Director of Children's
& Family Ministry*
Beth Smith, Church Hostess
Johnny Hathcock, Director, Macon Outreach
Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary
Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary
Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian
Clifton Carswell, Custodian
Arnold Freeman, Custodian