



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 25, 2009

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## *Connectivity*

"Can I get wireless access in this building?" "Hold on—I'm about to drive through a dead zone." "I'm so glad we have TiVo—right now I'm missing 24." These are all phrases I've heard recently. Our lives are so dependent on Internet and digital connections these days that I'm afraid we are suffering from a lack of connections of a different kind.

Even on Sundays, when I'm supposed to be in a worshipful mood, coming to have my spirit fed and to fellowship with other believers, it often does not happen. Why? *Getting everybody fed, dressed (including a belt), here on time with offering, and then hurrying to get them after the service because I stopped to talk to just **one** person and it's already 12:15, and we're supposed to be at a birthday party by 3 and we need to work on a book report before that* is no easy task.

I still have a beautiful memory of singing in a choral concert as a 5<sup>th</sup> grader and being delighted when Mrs. Brannon, an older woman in my church showed up to hear me. With how many grandparents at Mulberry are my children well enough acquainted to stop and share a conversation? I'm afraid to admit it, but their behaviors are patterned on mine.

Attending the Mulberry women's retreat last February opened up a new circle for me. It was as if I had permission to sit down, share stories, and learn more about the beautiful, talented, funny women I see every week but don't truly know. What a blessing that experience was. Being in a place--emotionally and physically--where I could rest, not worry about my job, have no responsibility for cooking and cleaning, and could even spend time thinking about scriptures and how they might help me get my life together was something I sorely needed. Go ahead and take that leap of faith—things will be all right without you for a couple of days. And God will speak to you and reward you for placing Him first.

In Christ,

*Pam Johnston*

### **"Near to the Heart of God" Women's Retreat February 20-22, 2009**

**Ebenezer Retreat Center, Ricon, GA**

The retreat will be led by United Methodist Evangelist, Joyce Payne,  
and the theme is *Embraced by God's Love*.  
Registration pamphlets are available in the Atrium.

# Sunday Worship

January 25, 2009

Nine O'clock - Chapel  
Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

"Kingdom Fishing"  
John 1: 14-20

Rev. Tommy Martin

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**Assisting with Worship**

**Ushers for Nine O'clock**  
Warren Dunn & Scott Wangen

**Ushers for Eleven O'clock**  
Jason Anthoine, Charles Bridges,  
Austin Carter, Scott Davis,  
Ken Harper, Gary Hobby,  
David Mann, Bob Middleton,  
Mack Minton, Jim Rice,  
Blake Sharpton, Chris Uren

**Sunday School Greeters**  
Berg-Brenner Class

**Children's Church**  
Chad & Laura Hancock

**Mulberry's Muggers**  
Russ & Carolyn Barber  
Jim & Ann Smith

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**Altar Flowers**



The flowers in the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, B.C. Mullins and her son, William L. Mullins by Alice Mullins.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, Dr. & Mrs. Lewis L. Rawls by Kathy and Jerry Sands and their children, Dale, Bennett and Kadee.

**Attendance Last Sunday**

Nine O'clock Worship	50
Eleven O'clock Worship	249
Total Worship Attendance	299
Sunday School	255



Cam Bishop, Director of Music/Organist

## Spring Musicals

### For Children in Grades 1-5

Sundays - 6:00-6:45 in Wesley Choir Room  
Performance Wednesday, March 25

### For Youth in Grades 6-12

Sundays - 4:45-5:45  
Performance Wednesday, May 6

Please call or e-mail Cam for more information.

### Third Tuesday Organ Interlude

January 27 - 12:00 Noon  
St. Joseph Catholic Church  
Nelda Chapman, Organist



Cameron Bishop,  
Director of Youth Ministry

[www.mulberryyouth.com](http://www.mulberryyouth.com)

## Hey Seniors

We are planning to recognize you all on Sunday, May 10 in the 11:00 a.m. worship service followed by a Mother's Day/Sr. Recognition Luncheon. You'll be getting more about this in the mail soon!

## Upcoming Events

**Live Love**  
March 20-21

**Summer Camp**  
June 19-23

**Mission Trip**  
July 19-24

## American Guild of Organists

*presents*

### "Super Bowl of Hymn Festivals"

Sunday, February 1, 2009

3:00 p.m. - Mulberry Street UMC Sanctuary

Gregg Bunn, Organist (Brentwood UMC, Brentwood, TN)

Dr. John E. Simons, Leader (Mercer University, Director of Graduate Music Studies)

Hear and sing hymns and hymn arrangements for choir, pipe organ, and congregation.

There is no charge for this inspiring event!

## **Wednesday Night Supper**

***This Wednesday, January 28, 2009***



### Menu

Drumetts  
Pizza  
Meatballs  
Hot Dogs  
Salsa & Chips  
"Surprises"

### Program

Super Bowl Party

### Mission Jars

Red Bird Mission

## Medical Mission Trip to Uganda

A medical team from South Georgia will be traveling to Uganda in June of 2009. There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, January 25 at 2:00 p.m. at Riverside United Methodist Church. The trip dates are the third and fourth week in June. We're looking for doctors, nurses and many folks who have no medical experience at all who are willing to learn and serve. For more information, contact [sallywaldorf@gmail.com](mailto:sallywaldorf@gmail.com).



To Tim & Daisy Floyd upon the death of Tim's mother, Joyce Floyd on January 11, 2009.

## Methodist Children's Home Auxiliary

It's time to join or renew your membership to the Methodist Children's Home Auxiliary. Make checks payable to "Methodist Children's Home Auxiliary" for \$5.00 for single or \$10.00 for a couple. Drop your check by the church office, put it in the collection plate on Sunday or give it to Wynelle Flynn. Please renew by February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## MULBERRY UNITED METHODIST WOMEN CALL TO PRAYER FEBRUARY 16, 2009

"OPEN My EYES THAT I MAY SEE"  
NOON LUNCHEON - Fellowship Hall  
(\$3.00, NO RESERVATIONS)



## Scampers

Planning Meeting  
Wednesday, January 28, 2009  
Solomon-Fellowship Classroom  
7:15 p.m. (following church night supper)



*Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries*

## Kid's Praise & Worship Time Is Back!

Sundays - 9:30-10:00 a.m.  
Children's Assembly Room

## S.M.A.C.K.

Sundays - 5:30-7:00

## Hoops for Hearts (Mission Activity)

February 7  
10:00-12:00

Come shoot baskets, have a hot dog  
and join the fun!  
Prizes for kids of all ages.



## Music Fund

In memory of Vivian Hawkins Bridges by  
Mr. & Mrs. Holmes J. Hawkins, Jr.  
Mrs. Juanita W. Biggar

## Memorial Fund

In memory of Mary McCrary by  
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Butler

## Macon Outreach Fund

In memory of Margaret Waldorf Wrye by  
Trinity Circle

## Bus Fund

In memory of Margaret Waldorf Wrye by  
Mrs. Frances Kite  
Mrs. Carolyn C. Kennedy  
Mrs. Marie F. Williams

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

### **Pastor on Call**

January 23-25

Cile Mitchell

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## ***THIS WEEK AT MULBERRY***

### **Sunday, January 25**

9:00 a.m. Worship/Chapel

9:30 a.m. Confirmation Orientation Breakfast/Parlor

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. Faith Questions Bible Study/Rosser II

4:45 p.m. Young Spirit Singers

5:00 p.m. Way of Discernment Study/Forum

5:30 p.m. S.M.A.C.K.

5:30 p.m. Esther Study/Parlor

6:00 p.m. UMYF

### **Monday, January 26**

4:45 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg/Conf Rm

### **Tuesday, January 27**

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study/Conf Rm

7:00 a.m. Men's Sermon Starter Group/Panera Bread

8:30 a.m. Prayer Group/Conf Rm

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting/Conf Rm

12:00 p.m. Kiwanis Club Luncheon/Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, January 28**

5:00 p.m. Children's Handbells

5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper

6:30 p.m. Adults/Sr. High Handbells

6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs

7:30 p.m. Ainsworth Choir

### **Thursday, January 29**

9:00 a.m. Pew Patrol

9:30 a.m. Psalms Bible Study/Rosser II

10:00 a.m. Chapel for Daycare/Sanctuary

5:30 p.m. Devotional Group/Panera Bread

### **Friday, January 30**

5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal/Warren-Cofer

### **Saturday, January 31**

6:00 p.m. Wedding/Warren-Cofer

### **Sunday, February 1**

9:00 a.m. Worship/Chapel

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary

3:00 p.m. AGO Hymn Fest/Sanctuary

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## **MULBERRY STREET UMC STAFF**

*Tommy Martin, 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*

*Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries*

*Erin Roberson, Director, Children's Center*

*Betsy Abbott, Director of Hospitality*

*Johnny Hathcock, Director, Macon Outreach*

*Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary*

*Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary*

*Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian*

*Clifton Carswell & Arnold Freeman, Custodians*