

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
Macon, Georgia

The Church at Worship

*Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 23, 2011
Nine O'clock*



*Please turn off your cell phones or place them on 'vibrate'
so that our distractions are limited as we worship God.*

News of the Church	Rev. Tommy Mason
Opening Voluntary	Jim Coleman, Organist
Call to Worship	Rev. Ben Gosden

Praise the Lord, all nations!

Extol the Lord, all peoples!

The Lord's steadfast love toward us is great!

The faithfulness of the Lord endures forever!

Praise the Lord!

(Psalm 117)

* Hymn of Praise No. 67

"We, Thy People, Praise Thee"

ST. ANTHONY CHORALE

* Opening Prayer

Rev. Tommy Perkins

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

God of all time and space,

you are the Source of all that was, is, and will be.

We gather as your people

knowing that we have benefited time and time again
from the abundance of your blessings.

It is in you that we have life and breath.

Grant that as we grow tired, anxious

and even dissatisfied with life,

we might remember that your love and grace
upholds and undergirds us every day.

Guide us in your way

that we might catch a glimpse of the world

through your eyes of compassion and mercy.

We ask this in the name of the One who lived, died, and
rose again that we might have life in abundance,
even Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Act of Praise

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”

Catie Holloway, Soloist

Mark Hayes

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Ben Gosden

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

* Doxology

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* Gospel Lesson

Matthew 23:23-34

The Message

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Faith Is...Exposed in Our Gifts

Rev. Tommy Mason

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Rev. Tommy Perkins

*Anyone who wishes to become a member of Mulberry Street UMC
is invited to come forward during the singing of the
final stanza of the Hymn of Discipleship.*

* Hymn of Discipleship No. 140

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

FAITHFULNESS

* Benediction

Rev. Tommy Mason

* *Please stand as you are able.*



*Rev. Tommy Mason, Senior Pastor
Rev. Tommy Perkins, Associate Pastor
Rev. Ben Gosden, Associate Pastor
Jim Coleman, Organist*

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

Welcome All Visitors

We welcome you to Mulberry Street United Methodist Church.

*We are glad you have joined us this morning and hope
that through word, music, fellowship and prayer,
you will experience the presence of God today.*

*Please make sure you sign the **Registration Pad** as it is passed
so that we can share with you about what's happening
in the life of this church.*

***Nursery Care** is provided for children under 4 years of age.
Please ask an usher for directions to the Nursery.*

Up and Coming at Mulberry Street UMC

S.M.A.K. & MiniS.M.A.K.

Sundays – 5:00 pm

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Senior High Small Group

Mondays, 7:00-8:15 pm

Wednesday Night Supper

5:30 pm

Program: S.P.A.R.K.

Menu: Soup & Salad

Children's Choirs

Wednesdays, 6:15-7:00 pm

Ainsworth Choir

Wednesdays, 7:15-8:45 pm

Middle School Small Group

Wednesdays, 6:15-7:00 pm

Fall Festival & Chili Cook-off

Sunday, October 30

4:30-6:30 pm

Children's Assembly Room/Courtyard

Chili & Apple Pie at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall

Please bring mesh backpack or healthy, non-perishable snack food for the Bibb County BOE Mentors Project.

Have your chili and apple pie in the kitchen by 5:00 pm for judging.

Questions: Call Pam Johnston, 745-8601.