



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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*Sharing the heart of God from the heart of downtown  
Macon by fostering healing for the broken places of life.*



## The Church at Worship

**ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

*November 3, 2024 | Eleven O'clock*

# Welcome to Mulberry Street UMC!

## WELCOME TO THIS SERVICE OF WORSHIP!

We are a church on a mission to share the heart of God from the heart of downtown Macon by fostering healing for the broken places of life. Methodists have been worshipping Father, Son, & Holy Spirit on this corner since 1826.

You are invited to become a living part of this vital congregation. Check out the back of the bulletin to see the news of the church!

## CONNECT WITH US

Please fill out a Connection Card found in the back of the pew if you are visiting with us, would like to sign up for upcoming events, have a prayer request, or need to update your contact information.

If you are visiting with us for the first time, please find an usher to receive a welcome gift!

We invite you to visit us at  
**mulberrymethodist.org.**

Stay updated on the Mulberry community by subscribing to our weekly newsletter!

Visit **bit.ly/mul-news** to sign up.

Our 11:00 a.m. worship service is livestreamed on Facebook. You can download the Sunday bulletin at **mulberrymethodist.org/worship/bulletins.**

## GIVING

You can make your offering to God by visiting **mulberrymethodist.org/give** or by scanning the QR code, which will take you directly to our church's secure giving website.



## ACCESSIBILITY

Hearing Assistive devices are available and can be found in the narthex by the usher station. Please ask an usher for assistance locating them.

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*The artwork on the cover is "God with Angels and Saints."  
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\*Please rise in body and/or in spirit. **Bold Type** indicates congregational participation



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## *Entrance & Praise*

Opening Voluntary                      *Come, Come Ye Saints*                      arr. Sam Fleming

Welcome & News of the Church                      Rev. Jack Varnell  
Rev. Payton Stone

### Greeting

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

### Procession of the All Saints' Banner

*Please stand in silence as the banner passes your pew.*

\* Opening Hymn No. 711                      *For All the Saints*                      SINE NOMINE

*Children 5th grade and under are invited to leave for Godly Play at this time.*

*Children may be picked up on the 2nd Floor in the Godly Play classroom after the service.*

\* Affirmation of Faith                      *The Apostle's Creed*                      Rev. Stone

**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.**

\* Gloria Patri                      GREATOREX

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be;  
world without end. Amen.**

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## *Remembrance of the Saints*

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*Let us remember those from this congregation who now share the triumph of Christ.*

### Naming of the Saints

Rev. Varnell

**Martha Ackerman**

*October 24, 2023*

**Curtis S. Barnes**

*December 31, 2023*

**Carolyn Kirk Union**

*February 8, 2024*

**Robert C. "Bob" Ogden**

*March 5, 2024*

**Melvin "Chip" Yates, Jr.**

*April 20, 2024*

**Dr. Harry A. Linkous**

*May 11, 2024*

**Emma Lea Michael**

*May 29, 2024*

**Russ Kennington**

*June 10, 2024*

**Cathy Hope Tucker**

*June 28, 2024*

**Ethan Jackson Roberson**

*July 18, 2024*

**Dolores "Dee" McGinty Barnes**

*August 23, 2024*

**Allene Burns Griffin**

*September 16, 2024*

### Act of Remembrance

Chris Abbott

In the rising of the sun and in its going down.  
We remember them.

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter  
we remember them.

In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring,  
we remember them.

In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer,  
we remember them.

In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,  
we remember them.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends,  
we remember them.

When we are weary and in need of strength,  
we remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart,  
we remember them.

When we have joys we yearn to share,  
we remember them.

So long as we live, they too shall live,  
for they are now a part of us,  
as we remember them.

### All Saints' Prayer

Rev. Stone

Loving God, we your saints gather to worship and praise you this day.  
**We celebrate the saints who have served you and have been an example for us throughout the past.**

We give you thanks for the joy for being a part of the communion of saints with those who have gone before and those who scattered around the globe.  
**Open to us your Spirit to continue being the saints You have called us to be.**

As we come now to remember those from Mulberry Street who now share in your glory,  
**Comfort us in our grief, grant us your grace, and, to all those who loved them, your peace.**

Inspire our hearts to follow their example,  
**That we too may be your faithful disciples who walk in the way that leads to life. Amen.**

### Anthem

*Blessed Are All They that Fear Him*

Felix Mendelssohn

Blessed are all they that fear him,  
they ever walk in the ways of peace.  
Through darkness brightly shines light to the upright.  
He is gracious, compassionate.  
He is righteous.  
-From *Elijah*, Psalm 128:1, 112:1,4

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## Proclamation

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Scripture Reading

Luke 19:1-10 (Pew Bible pg 854)

Rev. Jack Varnell

<sup>1</sup>He entered Jericho and was passing through. <sup>2</sup>And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. <sup>3</sup>And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. <sup>4</sup>So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. <sup>5</sup>And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." <sup>6</sup>So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. <sup>7</sup>And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." <sup>8</sup>And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." <sup>9</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup>For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

This is the word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Communion Meditation

"Hurrying Down for Jesus"

Rev. Varnell

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## Thanksgiving & Communion

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Invitation to the Table

Rev. Varnell

Confession and Pardon

Rev. Stone

**All: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

One: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.**

Offertory

*I Sing a Song for the Saints of God*

arr. David Lasky

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\* The Great Thanksgiving

Rev. Varnell

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Sung Communion A (pages 17-18)*

*Celebrant says words appropriate to the season, then the congregation sings:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant says words appropriate to the season, then the congregation sings:*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant says words appropriate to the season, then the congregation sings:*

**Amen. Amen. Amen.**

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.**

Breaking the Bread

*Let an usher know if you wish to be served in the pew.*

*Gluten free bread is available on the pedestal at the base of the steps.*

*An offering plate along the sanctuary wall is available for a communion offering, which is designated for the pastor's discretionary fund.*

Communion Anthem

Pie Jesu, from Requiem  
Camilla Packroff, Soprano

Gabriel Fauré

Merciful Jesus, grant the rest eternal.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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*Sending Forth*

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\* Closing Hymn No. 723      *Shall We Gather at the River*      HANSON PLACE

\* Benediction & Sending Forth      Rev. Varnell

Closing Voluntary      *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*      arr. Diane Bish



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## *News of the Church*

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### **Worship & Prayer | November 6 | 5:30 pm | Fellowship Hall**

Start your month with this time of intentional contemplation, prayer, and music. Engage with prayer stations & activities, and meditate on scripture. We will meet at 5:30 for dinner, and the service begins at 6:00.

### **Second Sunday Lunch | November 10 | 12 pm | Fellowship Hall**

For our November Second Sunday Lunch, the theme is Gameday! Show off your team spirit in your best gear and bring your best tailgate food! As always, the church will provide the entree and drinks.

### **TheoEd Macon | November 9 | 6:30 pm | Douglass Theatre**

TheoEd, an initiative of Emory's Candler School of Theology, will be hosting an event in Macon that brings together leading thinkers in the church and academy to give brief, TED-style talks on God, mental health & spiritual wellness. This will be a great chance to hear from some leading religious voices from the Macon community and beyond! We have free tickets available for church members - contact the church office if you would like to attend.

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### *Keep up with us online!*

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Visit our website at [mulberrymethodist.org](https://mulberrymethodist.org) for our calendar, service recordings, newsletter archives, and more!

**REV. JACK VARNELL**

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*Communion Servers*

**BEN MORRIS**

*Banner Bearer*

**KATHERINE DENT**

*Crucifer*

**CAROLINE DENT & EMILY STANSFIELD**

*Candle Lighters*

— *A Bicentennial Moment* —

In anticipation of Mulberry's upcoming Bicentennial Celebration in 2026, the Leonard Cochran Historical Room presents a moment of Mulberry history:

In the spring of 1780, Captain Thomas Darley's American outbound cargo ship was running the British blockade from Port Royal, SC when it was intercepted by a British ship. Darley became a prisoner of war and was impressed into service for the British Legion. He was forced to fight against The Continental Army in the state of South Carolina. After the War of Independence, Darley did not return to England but stayed in South Carolina.

Thomas Darley later became Mulberry's 1st ordained Methodist minister, serving from 1827 to 1828.

— *All Saints' Sunday* —

The first Sunday of November is All Saints' Sunday. On All Saints' Sunday, we honor and give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith in the last year. The color of paraments is white to represent Christ's death and resurrection.

  
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