We welcome you to worship the Living and Triune God. Jesus Christ is alive and with us in the power of the Holy Spirit. To schedule an appointment or become a member, speak to Pastor Phil. Prayer and counsel are available after the service. Silence your phones and give yourself to the holy work of worship! You are called to be a follower of the Lord, a member of his people, and a participant in his mission. It's our business as we serve the world from the center of Greenwood, SC.

Sunday, September 2, 2012
Our website is www.msumc1.org

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00 am

The 14th Sunday after Pentecost Color: Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

Large print hymnals, bulletins, and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

"At MSUMC we confess that every believer has spiritual gifts that energize the church."

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Pray as You Enter; Assume Silence at the Chiming

TRINITY CHIME

Mary Ashlynne Perkey

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord (arr. Gordon Young)

Joyce Nickles: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*GREETING

Trinitarian Greeting, Romans 12:1-2

Blessed be God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Paul wrote to his friends in Rome,

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice,

holy and acceptable to God,

which is your spiritual worship.

Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

God of Grace and God of Glory

*COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Based on 1 Cor. 12

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

*HYMN NO. 577

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
your Holy Spirit anointed Jesus to bring the kingdom down to earth
and to illumine the world with heavenly revelation.
Your love moved through him
so that his hand was your hand and his word your word.
We have tried hard to be the church on our own.
We have made much of programs and little of prayer.
How pitiful are our attempts to accomplish by human effort
what can only be done with direction and power from on high.
Refresh our weary souls and bodies at this holy table.
Remove from us the stain and burden and shame of our sins.
Fill us with the wine of heaven, and we will be your merry servants.
Come, Holy Spirit, and open to us the truth and riches of our dear Savior.
Scatter your gifts, and speak to us as we wait in silence before you.

*ACT OF PRAISE, NO. 334 Sweet, Sweet Spirit
REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE (Counting sheep!), CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

Amen. (Open your hands. Wait on the Lord. Listen for his voice.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Alice Ballentine

(3-year-olds through Kindergarteners leave for Extended Session.)

A READING OF UNITED METHODIST DOCTRINE

The Book of Discipline 2008, 67

The UM Confession of Faith, Article II: The Holy Spirit (Person and Work)

"We believe in the Holy Spirit who proceeds from and is one in being with the Father and the Son. He convinces the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He leads men (all) through faithful response to the gospel into the fellowship of the Church. He comforts, sustains *and empowers the faithful* and guides them into all truth."

(The Holy Spirit is God, Prosecuting Attorney, Evangelist, Presence, Gift-giver, Teacher)

ANTHEM

O Living Breath of God (arr. John Heigen) Chancel Choir, Larry Moore: Director

SERMON LESSON The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, 28-30

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

SERMON

What About The Gifts of the Spirit? Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

Do I know the gifts of the Holy Spirit given to me? Am I using them? Where does my deep joy meet the world's deep need?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN, NO. 539 O Spirit of the Living God
(The altar is open for prayer during the hymn. Ask for a release of the Holy Spirit.)

INVITATION AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY May the Spirit of Christ (arr. Janet Linker) Joyce Nickles: Organist *DOXOLOGY, NO. 95 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow (The bread and wine are brought forward with the gifts of money.)

+THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray....

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.

Musical Setting B: 18-20

HOLY COMMUNION In four actions Jesus took, blessed, broke, and gave (The ushers will guide you to a server. You may pray at the altar rail if you wish.)

SENDING FORTH

*SPIRITUAL, NO. 333 I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

***SUNG RESPONSE, NO. 666** Shalom to You

POSTLUDE Joyce Nickles: Organist

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS AT THE ALTAR AFTER THE SERVICE

The flowers are in memory of M. L. Murph, Jr. on his 100th birthday by Carolyn H. Murphy and family.