

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. Open your heart to the Holy Spirit.

Sunday, October 7, 2012
Our website is www.msumc1.org

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00 am

World Communion Sunday

Color: Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

"A creed is about beliefs, a budget about behavior, and both matter to God!"

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Pray as You Enter; Assume Silence at the Chiming

TRINITY CHIME

Schuyler McGinnis

PRELUDE

In Christ There is No East Or West

Joyce Nickles: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Philippians 4:4-7

As the friends of God, let us bless the Lord:

Blessed be God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.

Let all know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand.

Have no anxiety about anything,

but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving

let your requests be made known to God.

**And the peace of God, which passes all understanding,
will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. "**

***PROCESSION HYMN WITH THE FLAGS OF NATIONS, NO. 157**

Jesus Shall Reign

Crucifer: Bob Bennett, Acolytes: Olivia Rowland, Lucas Bassett.

***INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

Hymnal: 7

***COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Based on 1 Cor. 16:1-12

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

**Almighty God our heavenly Father,
you are the source of all good things in abundance.
We rejoice in the privilege of honoring you with our substance
and the first fruits of all our increase.
Keep us from the sin of wasting our money in empty pleasures
and in senseless shopping to numb the boredom of our lives.
Open our eyes to new opportunities to invest in your kingdom.
May the labor of our daily work always contribute to the common good
and never take advantage of the weaknesses and sins of others.
May our giving be a joyous extension of our faith in your Son Jesus Christ.
Come, Holy Spirit, and grip us with your divine presence.
Visit us with the riches of forgiveness and a fresh consecration of all of life.
Stir in us the passion and vision and powers of the kingdom of God.
Amen. (Time is kept for confession. Pardon is announced.)**

***ACT OF PRAISE, NO. 62** *All Creatures of our God and King* Stanza 7 Only
REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE (Counting sheep!), CHURCH CONCERNS

ON THE WITNESS STAND

David Patterson: Stewardship Witness

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Myra Greene

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

UNITED METHODIST DOCTRINE ON PROPERTY

Book of Discipline 2008: 65, 71

Articles Of Religion: Article XXIV: Of Christian Men's Goods:

“The riches and goods of Christians are not common as touching the right, title, and possession of the same, as some do falsely boast. Notwithstanding, every man ought, of such things as he possesseth, liberally to give alms to the poor, according to his ability.”

Confession Of Faith: Article XV The Christian and Property:

“We believe God is the owner of all things and that the individual holding of property is lawful and is a sacred trust under God. Private property is to be used for the manifestation of Christian love and liberality, and to support the Church's mission in the world. All forms of property, whether private, corporate or public, are to be held in solemn trust and used responsibly for human good under the sovereignty of God.”

SERMON LESSON

Paul The Fund And Friend-Raiser

1 Corinthians 16:1-12

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

SERMON

Church Money and Church Politics Phil Thraikill: Pastor

Am I a missional, informed, worshipful, proportional, confident giver? If not, why not?

Do I respect and support those who carry the burden of the work?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

***HYMN, NO. 419**

I Am Thine, O Lord

INVITATION AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

In Christ There Is No East Or West Joyce Nickles: Organist

***DOXOLOGY, NO. 95** *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Musical Setting B: 18-20

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.

***HOLY COMMUNION**

In four actions Jesus took, blessed, broke, and gave
Servers: John & Susan Thompson, John & Amy Young,
Richard & Susan Pinckney, Mike & Zella Williams

ANTHEM

When Invited to the Feast (William Pasch)
Larry Moore: Director

Chancel Choir

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN, NO. 568**

Christ for the World We Sing

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

***SUNG RESPONSE, NO. 666**

Shalom to You

***POSTLUDE, GREET A VISITOR!**

Joyce Nickles: Organist

The flowers are given in honor of Marisa Rogers on her 13th birthday, October 4, by her sisters, Haley, Carly, and Sanders.