

We welcome you to worship the Living and Triune God. Christ is alive and with us in the power of the Spirit. Prayer and counsel are available after the service. You are called to be a follower of the Lord Jesus, a member of his people, and a participant in his mission to spread his kingdom and all its benefits. It's our main business as we serve the world from the center of Greenwood, SC.

Sunday, October 13, 2013

Services at 8:30/11:00am

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Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am

21st Sunday After Pentecost

Color: Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

"The God who defeated death in Jesus' resurrection will one day remove all evil."

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE Pray as you enter; assume silence at the chiming

TRINITY CHIME Sam Crooks

PRELUDE *March Pontificale (Gordon Young)* Joyce Nickles: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE Phil Thrailkill: Pastor, Peggy Ackerman: Prayer Sentinel

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *Clap Your Hands, O Faithful People (Stanza 2)*

**With a shout and blast of trumpet,
God ascends to reign above,
clothed in robes of righteous judgment,
crowned with all redeeming love!
Fill the world with glad rejoicing;
heaven shall sing, and earth reply!
Let the nations rise in wonder, all God's works to glorify!**

***GREETING** Trinitarian Greeting, Ephesians 6:10-13

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

"Finally," wrote Paul,
"be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.
**Put on the whole armor of God,
that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.**
For we are not contending against flesh and blood,
but against the principalities, against the powers,
against the world rulers of this present darkness,
against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

**Therefore take the whole armor of God,
that you may be able to withstand in the evil day,
and having done all, to stand.”**

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 110** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
Crucifer: Joe Hartung, Acolytes: Andrew Driver, Libby Hartung

***MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** Based on Luke 8:22-39
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
before whom stand all the holy angels to do your bidding,
you have appointed a day when all you have created will be healed.
No more tears of grief and loss but only joy.
No more sins to wound our world and one another.
No more evil, no more meanness, no more hatred and war.
No more chaos or torment, no more illness or death, poverty or pain,
but all shall share in the power of Jesus' mighty resurrection.
Until that great day for which we hope and dream,
give us courage to bear the pains and burdens of this life,
to be good soldiers of Jesus Christ,
and to welcome all the aid and protection the Holy Spirit affords.
May we be a place and a people where the captives are set free.
Amen. (Silence is kept for listening prayer.)**

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70** *Glory Be to the Father*
WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

ON THE WITNESS STAND Dr. Mark Robirds: Missions
COMMISSIONING OUR HONDURAS MISSION TEAM
Neal Asman, Kathy Kelly, Tracy Nesbitt (Summerville), Suzanne Nicholson,
Mark Robirds, Allie Williams, Glenn Williams

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *No Evil Practices* Deuteronomy 18:9-22
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**
(Rev. Hazel Bennett: Reader)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Shell Dula

ANTHEM *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind (arr. Dale Wood)* Chancel Choir
Larry Moore: Director

SERMON LESSON *Two Power Encounters* Luke 8:22-39
This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

SERMON *More To Missions Than Meets The Eye* Phil Thraikill: Pastor
Am I aware of the battle that rages all around us?
What would it mean for the Lord Jesus to stretch my *comfort zone*?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

***WESLEY HYMN, No. 513** *Soldiers of Christ, Arise*

A FRESH CHALLENGE TO FAITHFULNESS Karl Kelly: Church Council Chair

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Meditation (Gordon Young)* Joyce Nickles: Organist

***DOXOLOGY, No. 95** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, 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.

SENDING FORTH

***SONG, No. 641** *Fill My Cup, Lord*

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** Phil Thraikill: Pastor

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

*POSTLUDE, GREETING EACH OTHER AFTER THE SERVICE

The rosebud is in honor of the birth of Ryder McCord Larkins,
son of Tyler and Jennifer Larkins, born October 1, 2013