

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, August 18, 2013**

**Services at 8:30/11:00am**

**[www.msumc1.org](http://www.msumc1.org)**

**Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"**

## THE SUNDAY SERVICE

**11:00am**

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Color: Green**

\*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

**"When Jesus calls us to himself, we get to deal with all his strange friends!"**

### ENTRANCE

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

**TRINITY CHIME** Sam Crooks

**PRELUDE** *Prelude in Classic Style (Gordon Young)* Joyce Nickles: Organist

**WELCOME AND SILENCE** Phil Thraikill: Pastor, Glenn Williams: Prayer Sentinel

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *If You Believe and I Believe* Upper Room Worshipbook

**If you believe and I believe and we together pray,  
the Holy Spirit shall come down and set God's people free,  
and set God's people free, and set God's people free,  
the Holy Spirit shall come down and set God's people free.**

**\*GREETING** Trinitarian Greeting, Our 2013 Mission And Vision Statement

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.**

What is the mission of Main Street United Methodist Church?

**We are "Following Christ from City Center"**

And what is our vision? How do we know we are faithful to the mission?

**"As members of Main Street United Methodist Church,**

**we embrace our calling to grow**

**as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ by:**

\* **Faithfully worshipping our holy God with love and devotion,**

\* **Compassionately serving those in need,**

\* **Building bridges to the diverse neighborhoods that surround us,**

\* **Welcoming all to hear God's story. We follow Christ**

**by faithful participation in the mission and vision of our church."**

**\*PROCESSION HYMN, No. 64**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Crucifer: Hampton Warner, Acolytes: Layton Logan, Libby Hartung

**\*MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER**

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

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
you are building a new community of disciples around Jesus Christ.  
In a world where people are eager to divide themselves from one another,  
make us a people who seek the deep unity of your Holy Spirit.  
In a world where everything has a price tag,  
make us a people who value the riches of your free grace.  
In a world full of death and fear,  
make us a people who value this life and hope in the life to come.  
Raise up, O Lord, men and women who will live as servants and leaders.  
Grant us the gratitude to welcome one another's gifts,  
the patience to listen to each other's dreams,  
and the wisdom to discern your will together for this church.  
Reign over us today and speak to us as we stand before you in silence.  
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**

Jim Kelly: Financial Peace University

**PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

*Moses Shifts Leadership Styles*

Exodus 18:1-27

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

**UNITED METHODIST TEACHING**

*The Book of Discipline 2012: 71*

**Confession of Faith, Article IV: The Holy Bible**

“We believe the Holy Bible, Old and New Testaments, reveals the Word of God so far as it is necessary for our salvation./ It is to be received through the Holy Spirit as the true rule and guide for faith and practice./ Whatever is not revealed in or established by the Holy Scriptures is not to be made an article of faith nor is it to be taught as essential to salvation.”

## THE PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADERS

Kathy Kelly, Pastor Phil

Ella Bassett, Nash Bowen, Andrew Driver, Spence Hagood, Dylan Johnson, Claire  
Leuthner-Barrineau, Trace Meredith, William Rowland  
(All sing No. 601, *Thy Word Is a Lamp*)

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Blessing Book Bags*

Pastor Phil

## SERMON LESSON

*The Crowd Around Jesus*

Luke 6:12-19, 8:1-3

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

## SERMON

*Living In A Larger Circle*

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

**Am I ready for a rich partnership between men and women who follow Christ?**

## RESPONSES TO THE WORD

### \*HYMN, No. 548

*In Christ There is No East or West*

## GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### ANTHEM

*Here's One (arr. Tom Fettke)*

Chancel Choir

Larry Moore: Director

### \*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

### \*HYMN, No. 273

*Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands*

### \*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

### \*SUNG RESPONSE, NO. 666

*Shalom to You*

## \*POSTLUDE, GREETING EACH OTHER AFTER THE SERVICE

**Sermon copies are available up front and on the web site.**

**Please put your prayer request cards in the offering plate.**

**Our prayer meeting is Thursday from 6:00-6:30pm in the chapel.**