

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, May 11, 2014

Services at 8:30/11:00am

www.msumc1.org and 92.9FM (WZLA) Sundays at noon

Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am **4th Sunday of Easter/ Mother's Day Color: White**

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

**“He cannot have God for his father who has not the church for his mother.”
(Saint Cyprian of Carthage, died 258A.D.)**

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME

Rebekah Lomax

PRELUDE

Josh Harrington: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE. . . Peggy Ackerman : Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

***CALL TO WORSHIP, No. 162**

Alleluia, Alleluia

Stanzas 1, 4

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Easter Shout!

(The Easter season, The Great 50 Days, goes through Pentecost.)

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.

Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed!

Blessing and honor, dominion and power,

be to God for ever and ever!

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 62**

All Creatures of our God and King

(Crucifer: Cecilia McGinnis, Acolytes: Rebekah Lomax, Ella Bassett)

***COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON ON MOTHERS' DAY**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father:

**You intend that in our mothers and fathers
we see reflections of your care and strength.**

**They have marked us well, O Lord,
with their virtues and their vices, with their faith and with their doubts.
Help us this day to discern between the two,**

**to receive with thanksgiving what came from your hand,
and to forgive the rest as we honor them all our days.**

Forgive us all, and especially this Mother's Day,

**for the times we have discounted women
and presumed upon their care and good will.**

**May your Holy Spirit so teach us the way of Jesus Christ
that we may hear the cries for love and justice that echo still:**

**the homeless, the poor, the hungry and the ill,
the lonely and the aged, those trapped in evil and addictions,
and those who do not know that they are called to follow Jesus.**

**May we always confess and live this gospel with confidence and joy,
till the day we see your glory face to face and our faith is rewarded.**

Amen. (Silence if kept for confession of sin. Pardon is announced.)

***ACT OF PRAISE FOR THE EASTER SEASON**

Ancient of Days

Hallelujah, sing to the Lord songs of praise.

We bless you, Lord, we give to you glory due to your holy name.

We stretch out our hands, we stretch out our hands unto you Lord.

We lift up our voice, we lift up our voice inviting you into this place.

Hear us, O God, as once we bring our praise.

A pleasing sacrifice to you, oh Ancient of Days, Ancient of Days.

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

CELEBRATION SINGERS *This Is The Day (Ken Berg)* Tiffany Atkinson, Larry Moore
Dry Bones (arr. Hopson)

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

FIRST LESSON *Our Work Will Be Tested By Fire* I Cor. 3:1-23, James 3:1
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**
(Kim Clark: Lay Reader)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Phil Saunders: Youth Minister

SERMON LESSON *Stay Alert, And Here's Why!* Luke 12:35-48
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *The Glory And The Gore* Phil Thraillkill: Pastor
Do I keep the nearness and coming of Jesus Christ in mind? Does it sober me?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD OF GOD READ AND PREACHED

***CHARLES WESLEY HYMN, No. 715** *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *The Gift of Love* Chancel Choir, Larry Moore: Director

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

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS, THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT *Hymnal: 33*

By transfer: Elizabeth Olepade

By baptism: Aisha (13), Tatyana (9), Aliyah (8), Zamora Olepade (6)

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN No. 507** *Through It All*

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

***RESPONSE, No. 666** *Shalom to You*

TIME TO GREET A VISITOR AND OUR NEW MEMBERS!

CHAPEL PRAYER TEAM Peggy Ackerman, Kit Adkins

Sunday, May 18 *Youth Sunday, Withered Scholarship*