











WORSHIPPING

SERVING

BUILDING WELCOMING

Sunday, October 12, 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 18th Sunday after Pentecost Color: Green

*Stand as able A nursery is provided Large print hymnals, bulletins, and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME Ann Baker

PRELUDE Prelude in C (Buxtehude) Josh Harrington: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE Kit Adkins: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*GREETING Trinitarian Greeting, Revelation 19:6-8

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.

"Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters

and like the sound of mighty thunder peals, crying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready;

it was granted her to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure, for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints."

*PROCESSION HYMN, No. 702 Sing with All the Saints in Glory (Crucifer: Joe Hartung, Acolytes: Libby Hartung, Jarratt Smith)

[&]quot;Discipleship is a narrow path that excludes many pleasant options."

*COMMON PRAYER

Based on Luke 18:15-17, 18-30

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

Almighty and holy God, our heavenly Father, even though you are fully worthy of our full faith, trusting you is a hard thing to do.

We prefer visible supports to invisible.

When we are anxious we want a quick fix, not a deepening of faith.

We are fickle and frail and easily distracted from your abiding presence.

You know all about us and are not surprised by anything we do.

You know the knots in our heart that keep us from following Jesus.

It is hard for us to lift our empty hands to heaven and wait for your gifts.

By the light and truth of your Holy Spirit,

expose our idols and the little altars that fill our hearts.

Give us grace to forsake them utterly,

and lead us to the freedom of full confidence in you, our Amazing God, in this troubled life and in the life to come where all shall be good again.

Amen. (Silence is kept for prayer and listening for the voice of the Spirit.)

*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 368

My Hope Is Built

Stanza 2 Only

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

ON THE WITNESS STAND Kathy Kelly, Glenn Williams: Honduras Mission

ANTHEM You and I Celebration Singers

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah Mocks Pagan Idols Isaiah 44:6-23
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!
(Myra Greene: Lay Reader)

CHILDREN'S TIME Kathy Kelly

SERMON LESSON The Poverty of a Rich Man Luke 18:15-17, 18-30

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

SERMON

What Is Your Idol? What Is Your Fear? Phil Thrailkill: Pastor (First in a three part series on Christian stewardship)

What has a hold on my heart that blocks me from following Jesus?

Money? Friends? Family? Business? Addictions? Immorality? Fear of failure? His authority? I don't like Christians! Being weird? I like my life? Starting over? Admitting I was wrong? Loss of fun? Time on Sunday? Having to change?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED

*INVITATION HYMN, No. 398 Jesus Calls Us

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM Love Divine (John Carter) Chancel Choir, Larry Moore: Director

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

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER

COMMISSIONING THE 2014 HONDURAS BUILDING TEAM

Steve Ackerman, Kevin Bishop, Emmie Burns, Caitlin Griffin (Raleigh), Barbara Habib (Summerville), Paddy Huff, Cass Kelly (Lexington), Kathy Kelly, Mark Robirds, Brandon Smith, Pastor Phil, Allie Williams, Glenn Williams

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 593 Here I Am, Lord

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*SUNG RESPONSE, NO. 666 Shalom to You

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE MISSION TEAM

You are invited to join us in the Chapel on Thursdays from 6:30-7:00pm for prayer.