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, April 20, 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

## Easter/ Resurrection of the Lord Color: White

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

"Jesus' resurrection is the promise a whole new world is on the way!"

## **ENTRANCE**

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

TRINITY CHIME Schuyler McGinnis

STRIPPING THE SEVEN DEADLY SINS Phil Saunders: Youth Minister

**PRELUDE** An Easter Celebration Josh Harrington: Organ, Brass Ensemble

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP, No. 162 Alleluia, Alleluia Stanzas 1, 4

\*GREETING Trinitarian Greeting, Easter Shout!

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!

11:00am

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. 302 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today Stanzas 1-4
Brass: Sam Kleine, Ryan Minster, Brent Patteson, Miranda Sealander, Paul Haarala
Crucifer: Julia Baker; Acolytes: Ann Baker, Libby Hartung

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

O God our Father, you are our light, our beauty, and our life.

Death has been marked for final destruction;
the kingdom of darkness has been shaken, and all hell trembles in fear.
You have served the world notice that Jesus is Lord of all
by raising him from the dead and vindicating all that he was.
What you began in him, continue in us your church,
that adorned with the gifts and powers of the Holy Spirit,
we may bear witness to the freedom of sins forgiven,
the joy of a life of love and service,
and to the re-creation of all that you have made.
Make of us a mission station and a colony of your kingdom.
In the mighty name of Jesus, our risen Lord,
we declare his victory over all the forces of evil and death.
Hallelujah and Amen! (All pray in silence, listening for his voice)

\*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 83 Gloria in Excelsis
WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

## PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

The Early Church's Message of Resurrection
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!
(Susan Pinckney: Lay Reader)

Acts 10:34-43

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Kathy Kelly

**ANTHEM** The Lord is Risen Today (Benedetto/ arr. Hopson) Chancel Choir Larry Moore: Director

SERMON LESSON Easter Morning Matthew 28:1-8, 9-10
This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

**SERMON** Looking Over The Edge Phil Thrailkill: Pastor If Jesus is the world's future, what would it mean to know him ahead of time?

## **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN, No. 322** Up from the Grave He Arose

\*PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH & GOD'S WORLD Pray silently after each petition

In the peace of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

that he may crush beneath our feet the prince of darkness and all evil powers... that he may provide through us for those who lack food, work, shelter, friendship, and a place to call their spiritual home...

that the Holy Spirit may rain down upon this and all Greenwood churches... that all pastors and laity be bold in their witness and tender in their care..... that those who have never heard of Jesus may be reached by pioneer missions... that we receive a new desire to hear and obey the truths of Holy Scripture... that we may, as Christ's disciples, be fervent in prayer and in holy living... that this church love God with all we are and our neighbors as ourselves...

#### **GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY** O God Beyond All Praising (Holst/ arr. Hobby) Chancel Choir \*DOXOLOGY, NO. 95 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER Musical Setting B: 18-20 (The Great Thanksgiving covers the same Trinitarian story as the Great Creeds!)

\*HOLY COMMUNION In four actions Jesus took, blessed, broke, and gave Servers: John & Susan Thompson, Steve & Cindy Skinner, Charlie & Ann West, Glenn & Allie Williams, Table Assistant: Larry Moore

## **SENDING FORTH**

\*HYMN No. 308 Thine Be the Glory Organ, Brass
\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Phil Thrailkill: Pastor
\*SUNG RESPONSE Hallelujah (Handel's Messiah) Copies in your pew
TIME TO GREET A VISITOR! Josh Harrington: Organist, Brass
CHAPEL PRAYER TEAM Kit Adkins, Glenn Williams

Pastor Phil's new book Resurrection (released this week!) is available at a book table at the side exit. All profits from church sales go to the Missions Committee!