

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, February 23, 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

11:00 am

7th After Epiphany

Color: Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

**“To be the center of the universe is misery for a human being;
we are designed to worship God and love one another.”**

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE Pray as You Enter; Assume Silence at the Chiming

TRINITY CHIME

MaryAshlynn Perkey

PRELUDE *How Great Thou Art (Dino Kartsonakis)* Josh Harrington: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Ann West: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thraikill: Pastor

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Into My Heart

The Faith We Sing: 2160

**Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
come in today, come in to stay; come into my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**Out of my heart, out of my heart, shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus;
shine out today, shine out always, shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.**

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Scriptures On Pride

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.

“To fear the LORD is to hate evil; (Prov. 8:13)

I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech.”

“When pride comes, then comes disgrace, (Prov. 11:12)

but with humility comes wisdom.”

“Pride only breeds quarrels, (Prov. 13:10)

but wisdom is found in those who take advice.”

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, (1 Cor. 13:4)
it does not boast, it is not proud.”

***PROCESSION HYMN, NO. 139** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*
(Crucifer: Cecilia McGinnis, Acolytes: Ann Baker, Rachel Holder)

***COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON** Based on Luke 18:9-14

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

**Merciful God, our heavenly Father,
before whose throne the ground is level,
for all are made in your image and called to follow Jesus Christ.
We confess that our little lives are full of little games.
How quickly we rank ourselves by race and class and riches.
How much of our lives is wasted on prestige and pride and status.
These are symptoms of a deadly sin that is sapping love from us all.
Bring us back to sanity, O Lord, by your grace and truth.
Make us secure in the knowledge that we matter to you.
So pour your judgments and forgiveness upon this church
that we may be a place where the wealthy are not envied,
where the poor are not shamed,
where all stand in humility before you, the Living God,
and where the Holy Spirit has free reign to bestow divine gifts upon all.
Make this a haven where it is safe to be a frail and faulty follower of Jesus,
without pretension, without arrogance, without fear.
Then we will show your glory and give hope to the world around us.
Amen.** (All make confession in silence. Pardon is announced.)

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70** *Glory Be to the Father*
WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS
ON THE WITNESS STAND *Youth Ministry Update* Phil Saunders

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *A Fall from Heaven (Satan?)* Isaiah 14:12-19
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**
(Jon Bassett: Lay Reader)

DRAMA *Christian and the Deadly Sin of Pride* Larry Moore, Phil Saunders

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Mary Alexander

ANTHEM *How Very Good and Pleasant (Arlen Clarke)* Chancel Choir
Larry Moore: Director

INTRODUCING THE DEADLY SIN OF PRIDE Back of Scripture Sheet

SERMON LESSON *Parable of the Two Prayers* Luke 18:9-14
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *Pride: The Deadliest of All!* Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON GOD'S WORD READ AND PREACHED

How aware am I of my need for the atoning self-sacrifice of Jesus Christ?
When I die, am I hoping God will accept my resume of achievements?

***HYMN, No. 359** *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*
(The altar is open for prayer.)

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***OFFERTORY** *The Lord's My Shepherd (Don Hustad)* Josh Harrington: Organist

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

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER** *Hymnal: 895*

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN, No. 394** *Something Beautiful*

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

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

***POSTLUDE, TIME TO GREET A VISITOR!** Josh Harrington: Organist

The flowers are given to God's glory and in loving memory of Dr. Harry Irwin by Evelyn Irwin and in honor of Brooke Faulkner Styron's 26th birthday with love from her mom, Jared, Holden, and Heather.

Join us for a half hour prayer this Thursday at 6:30pm in the chapel.

Sunday, March 2 *Envy: When The World Turns Green* **Matthew 19:30, 20:1-16**