



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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WELCOMING

Sunday, July 27, 2014
Services at 8:30/11:00am

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Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Color: Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

"To love God and neighbor means keeping my eyes open and my heart soft."

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE Pray as you enter; assume silence at the chiming
TRINITY CHIME Lucas Bassett
PRELUDE Josh Harrington: Organist
WELCOME AND SILENCE Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

***GREETING** Trinitarian Greeting, The Commands of God

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.**

"God spoke from the mountain and said:

'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt,
out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.'

Almighty God, write your law upon our hearts.

"You shall not make for yourself an idol.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy."

Almighty God, write your law upon our hearts.

Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness.

You shall not covet... anything that belongs to your neighbor."

Almighty God, write your law upon our hearts.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord.

**Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all you mind, and with all your strength.'**

The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no other commandment greater than these.'"

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 92**

For the Beauty of the Earth

(Crucifer: Bob Bennett, Acolytes: Sam Crooks, William Rowland)

***MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER**

Based on Luke 16:14-31

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

**Bountiful God, our Heavenly Father,
you renew the earth each spring and bring forth plenty at the harvest.
We give you thanks for all the fruits of the earth in their seasons.
Forgive us for taking our awesome habitat for granted,
and for neglecting to welcome the poor into our homes and churches.
Give us courage to challenge all systems of mind and culture
that value people based on wealth or beauty or power
and not on your image impressed into all.
Keep before us that great and terrible day when all shall stand before you
and give account of our stewardship of this brief life.
Till that day, help us to walk in the way of Jesus Christ
and to listen always to the guidance of your Holy Spirit,
for you are our God, and we are your pilgrim people.
Amen.** (All listen in silence for the voice and gifts of the Holy Spirit.)

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 174**

His Name is Wonderful

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

The Poor in our Midst

Deuteronomy 15:1-11

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

(Lori Bassett: Lay Reader)

+PSALM 82

Arise, O God

Hymnal: 804

CHILDREN'S TIME

Kathy Kelly

THE DOCTRINE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Articles of Religion, Article XXIV: "Of Christian Men's Goods"

"The riches and goods of Christians are not common as touching the right, title, and possession of the same, as some do falsely boast. Notwithstanding, every man ought, of such things as he possesseth, liberally give alms to the poor, according to his ability" (*U.M Book of Discipline: 69*)

ANTHEM *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (arr. Leonard Van Camp)*
Keith Dover and Larry Moore

SERMON LESSON *Jesus Warns His Greedy, Lustful Listeners* Luke 16:14-31
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *There Is No Sweet Jesus, My Friend!* Phil Thrailkill: Pastor
Have I entered the kingdom of Jesus and received a new heart?
Have I allowed greed, lust, and a hard heart to block mercy and compassion?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED

***HYMN, No. 427** *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Shelley)*
Keith Dover and Larry Moore

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

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER**

SENDING FORTH

***CHORUS, No. 503** *Let It Breathe on Me*

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

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

The flowers are given to God's glory and in loving honor of Carolyn H. Murph
on her 95th birthday today by her family.

Sunday August 3

A Hard Word for Insiders

Luke 17:1-10

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