

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 9, 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 **5th After Epiphany/ Boy Scout Sunday** **Green**

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

**"The covenant of marriage was established by God,
who created us male and female for each other."**

-The Service of Christian Marriage Service, U.M. Hymnal: 864-

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE Pray as You Enter; Assume Silence at the Chiming
TRINITY CHIME Trace Meredith

***BOY SCOUT PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

PRELUDE *Rejoice, the Lord is King (John Darwall)* Josh Harrington: Organist
WELCOME AND SILENCE Peggy Ackerman: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thraikill: Pastor

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *I Will Call Upon the Lord* *The Faith We Sing: 2002*

Lead: I will call upon the Lord
Echo: I will call upon the Lord
Lead: Who is worthy to be praised
Echo: Who is worthy to be praised

Unison: So shall I be saved from my enemies
Unison: The Lord liveth and blessed be the Rock
 And let the God of my salvation be exalted

***GREETING** Trinitarian Greeting, 3 Exhortations from Hebrews 13:1-4

Blessed be God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

"Let brotherly love continue.
**Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers,
for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.**

Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them;
and those who are ill treated, since you are also in the body.

Let marriage be held in honor among all,
**and let the marriage bed be undefiled;
for God will judge the immoral and adulterous."**

***PROCESSION HYMN, NO. 138** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*
(Crucifer: Jay Logan, Acolytes: Sam Crooks, William Rowland)

***COMMON PRAYER OF PRAISE AND PETITION** Based on Mark 10:1-12

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

**Almighty and most merciful God, our heavenly Father,
you made us male and female,
stamped us with your image as equals,
and gave us the command to be fruitful and multiply in marriage.
It is because of the effects of sin and evil, of ignorance and cruelty,
that our relationships are less than you designed.
It is in our families and homes that so much pain resides.
So may the healing power of Jesus Christ touch our closest bonds.
We thank you for the gift of romantic love
and all its possibilities for pleasure and loyalty, affection and fidelity.
And in a world, O Lord, where so many hopes and dreams are unfulfilled,
and where there is such confusion about your design for families,
grant us patience and kindness towards one another in our struggles.
Give us courage to first obey, and then to teach your ways to others.
Illumine both us and the Scriptures today by your Holy Spirit.
Amen.** (Silence is kept listening prayer.)

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70** *Glory Be to the Father*

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

ON THE WITNESS STAND *Troop 911 Report* Chip Stockman, Scout Master
Thomas Smithdeal: Troop Member

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *God the Matchmaker* Genesis 2:10-25
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**
(Matt Dupont: Boy Scout Lay Reader)

ANTHEM *Praise the Lord (Mark Patterson)* Celebration Singers
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Kathy Kelly

ANTHEM *Praise the Lord (Handel/Hopson)* Chancel Choir
Larry Moore: Director

SERMON LESSON *Jesus Takes a Stand Against His Culture* Mark 10:1-12
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *High Hopes And Hard Hearts* Phil Thraikill: Pastor
What would it mean to lift up the good vision of God in a broken world?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

***HYMN, No. 643** *When Love Is Found*
***THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH** *The Apostles' Creed* Hymnal: 881
(Colton Brewer: Troop 911)

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***OFFERTORY** *Just As I Am (Dale Wood)* Josh Harrington: Organist

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

***LITANY AND LORD'S PRAYER** Hymnal: 895
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN, No. 664** *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** Phil Thraikill: Pastor

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

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

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

Sunday, Feb. 16 ***Jesus Reveals The Human Heart*** **Mark 7:14-23**
(Introduction to a series on *The Seven Deadly Sins!*)