



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WORSHIPPING



SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

Sunday, July 12, 2015
Services at 8:30/11:00 am
www.msumc1.org and 92.9FM (WZLA) Sundays at noon

Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am

7th Sunday After Pentecost

Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided.

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

“To follow Jesus Christ as a daily disciple is the finest education you can have.”

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME

Hannah Crooks

PRELUDE

Voluntary VI (Stanley)

Josh Harrington: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Allie Williams: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Our Vision and Mission Statement

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.

What is the mission of Main Street United Methodist Church?

We are “Following Christ from City Center.”

And what is our vision?

“As members of Main Street United Methodist Church,

we are called to grow as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ by:

- * **Faithfully worshipping our holy God with love and devotion;**
- * **Compassionately serving those in need;**
- * **Building bridges to the diverse neighborhoods
of the Greenwood community;**
- * **Welcoming all to hear God's story.”**

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 529**

How Firm a Foundation

(Crucifer: Cecilia McGinnis, Acolytes: Ella Bassett, Claire Leather Barrineau)

+MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father:

how dangerous and treacherous is this fallen world:

wars and storms, accidents and incidents, evil and death.

Only in the company of your Son are we safe,

and only in following him do we find our way into your kingdom.

Forgive us for the sin of turning discipleship into membership.

Forgive our pastors where they have catered to us out of fear.

Forgive us for the cowardice that always puts personal comfort first.

Forgive us for clinging to old prejudices that keep life small.

Open our minds and hearts to the fresh call of Jesus Christ,

that we may hear his voice, eagerly obey,

and not be numbered among those timid and careful souls

who began but never finished and made ship wreck of their faith.

Our trust is not in our abilities but in your effective call.

And even though our faith is small, we know you will respond.

We wait upon your holy presence,

your embrace of mercy, and your Spirit to fill our sails.

Amen. (Silence is kept for confession. Pardon is announced.)

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 389**

Freely, Freely

Stanza 1 Only

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Salvation for Abraham's Children

Isaiah 51:1-16

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

(Lori Thrailkill: Lay Reader)

+PSALM 4, No. 741

Answer Me When I Call

CHILDREN'S TIME

Phil Saunders: Youth Minister

ANTHEM

Offertory (Beck)
John McFadden: Director of Music Ministries

Chancel Choir

THE REDUCED GOOD NEWS AND THE FULLER BIBLICAL MESSAGE Scripture Sheet

SERMON LESSON *Discipleship Is Dangerous* Matthew 8:18-27

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

SERMON

Outside the Comfort Zone

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

Where am I playing it safe and refusing Christ's call outside my comfort zone?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED

***HYMN, No. 345**

'Tis the Old Ship of Zion

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Andante Catabile (Widor)

Josh Harrington: Organist

***DOXOLOGY, NO. 95**

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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

***CONFESSING THE CHURCH'S FAITH, No. 881**

The Apostles' Creed

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN, No. 512**

Stand By Me

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

***CHORAL BENEDICTION, No. 672**

God Be With You....

Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE, TIME TO GREET A VISITOR!**

Josh Harrington: Organist

Join us for prayer on Thursday evenings from 6:30-7:00 pm in the Chapel.

The chancel flower are given to the glory of God and living In memory of Betty Jane Klauber on her birthday July 9th by her son, John Klauber.

The rosebuds are given in honor of the births of Chandler Reed Murphy born on June 24, 2015 and Abbott Grace Hall born on July 7, 2015. Chandler is the son on Ryan and Melissa Murphy and Abbott Grace is the daughter of Jason and Kayla Hall.

Sunday, July 19

The Power and Limits of Jesus' Authority

Matthew 8:28-9:7