

September 13, 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 16th Sunday After Pentecost

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

"Not to respond to God's grace in Jesus is to miss out, now and later."

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME

Claire Leuthner- Barrineau

Green

PRELUDEHis Eye is On the SparrowJohn McFadden: Solo, Ken Kittle: Piano

WELCOME AND SILENCE Glenn Williams: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*GREETING

Trinitarian Greeting, John 3:16-21

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.

It is in the Gospel of John that these amazing words are found: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil."

11:00am

PROCESSION HYMN, No. 337

Only Trust Him

(Crucifer: Lucas Bassett, Acolytes: Jarratt Smith, Claire Leuthner- Barrineau)

*MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER Based on Matthew 11:20-30 The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray:

Almighty God, our holy, heavenly Father, to those who desire and seek you, you show your riches, and from those who are puffed up with importance, you hide. We know that you have entrusted all things to Jesus, that he is your sole Agent and your perfect image in our midst. He is God the Son come down to earth, and he was robed in flesh in the womb of the Virain Mary. so that divine light might shine forever through a perfect man. May we not be among those who resist the Messiah and his light. May we be as children who receive a surprise gift and are delighted with both the gift and the Giver. This world has weighed us down, O Lord, with many a burden and care, many a sin and error and wound. We are weary and yearn for the refreshment and rest you alone offer. Come now, in the power and life of the Holy Spirit, to draw us again into the circle of your blessed, healing presence. **Amen.** (Wait upon the Lord in expectant silence.)

*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70 Glory Be to the Father WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

CHILDREN'S TIME THE TEACHING OF THE U.M. CHURCH Phil Saunders Back of Scripture Sheet

ANTHEM

Love Divine John McFadden: Music Director Chancel Choir

SERMON LESSON The Danger and Benefits of Jesus Matthew 11:20-30 This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God! SERMONHeavy Judgment, Light BurdenPhil Thrailkill: PastorAm I aware of the great privilege of knowing God through Jesus Christ?Am I sobered by the idea that to dismiss him is to foreclose my future?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED

*INVITATION HYMN, No. 340 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy "May you find rest and refreshment in surrender to Jesus Christ."

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORYJesus Is All the World To MeSteve Driskill: Organist*DOXOLOGY, NO. 95Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYERHymnal: 895

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT II

Hymnal: 39-43

To be baptized: Cori Elizabeth D'Alessandro, born April 20, 2015 Daughter of Ryan and Ashley D'Alessandro, brother of Cole (Sing No. 609, "You Have Put On Christ" after the baptism.)

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN, No. 191Jesus Loves Me*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSINGPhil Thrailkill: Pastor*CHORAL BENEDICTION, No. 672God Be With You....Chancel Choir*POSTLUDEDear Lord and Father of MankindSteve Driskill: Organist

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Clyde and Frances Garren's 50th wedding anniversary on September 11th by their family.

Please join us for prayer in the chapel on Thursdays from 6:30-7:00pmSunday, Sept. 20What Good Church Looks Like!Acts 2:37-47

The United Methodist Men meet next Saturday at 8:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Rev. Ken Kelly from Pathway House is the guest speaker.

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