



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

Sunday, June 14, 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

3rd Sunday After Pentecost

Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

“Prayer is primary research where life is laid bare before our good God.”

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME

Sam Crooks

PRELUDE

Josh Harrington: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Glenn Williams : Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Jeremiah 29:11-14

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.**

The prophet Jeremiah delivered a word of hope to Israel,

“For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord,

**plans for welfare and not for evil,
to give you a future and a hope.**

You will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

**You will seek me and you will find me,
when you seek me with all your heart.**

I will be found by you, says the Lord,

**and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations
and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord,**

and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you in exile.”

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 138** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*
(Crucifer: Sam Crooks, Acolytes: Ann Baker, Claire Leuthner-Barrineau)

***COMMON PRAYER** Based on Matthew 7:7-12

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
you have left your evidence in every corner of our world,
in the design of nature and in the stirrings of conscience.
There are enough clues for the serious to seek and find you,
but not so many that anyone is forced to believe.
You have come in Jesus Christ to call us to a great adventure,
that we should be the people who know the fullness of your goodness.
May your Holy Spirit bless us with fresh curiosity today,
that we will ask because we hunger to know and receive your gifts,
that we will seek because you are worth pursuing,
that we will knock because there are beautiful places to enter.
We thank you for the high privileges of prayer,
the freedom to open our hearts and lives to an invasion of your grace.
Draw near to us as we seek to draw near to you.
Amen. (Silence is kept for listening and prayer.)

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 496** *Sweet Hour of Prayer* Stanza 1 Only

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

ON THE WITNESS STAND *A Staff Update* David Patterson: SPRC Chair

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

CHILDREN'S TIME Susan Pinckney

ANTHEM Josh Harrington: Piano

SERMON LESSON *Faith to Pursue Our Good God* Matthew 7:7-12
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *Pressing Into The Promises* Phil Thraillkill: Pastor
Have I set aside daily time to persistently ask and seek and knock?
What good thing do I desire that I've never asked God for?
What is the Lord speaking to me in this text and message today?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED

***HYMN, No. 130** *God Will Take Care of You*
(The altar is open for prayer during this hymn and the offering.)

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Josh Harrington: Organist
***DOXOLOGY, NO. 95** *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

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

***AFFIRMATION FROM ROMANS 8:35, 37-39** *Hymnal: 887*

THE DEDICATION OF 2015 VBS VOLUNTEERS Pastor Phil, Kathy Kelly

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN No. 496** *Sweet Hour of Prayer* Stanzas 2-3
***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** Phil Thraillkill: Pastor
***CHORAL BENEDICTION** *The Lord Bless You* Chancel Choir
***POSTLUDE, TIME TO GREET A VISITOR!** Josh Harrington: Organist
COME FORWARD TO WELCOME SPENCER, HANNAH, AND HEIDI!

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

Sunday, June 21 *It's All In The Foundation* Matthew 7:21-8:1