



 **Main Street**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WORSHIPPING



SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

**Sunday, August 16, 2015**  
**Services at 10:30am at Lake Greenwood**  
**[www.msumc1.org](http://www.msumc1.org)**

**Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"**

**THE SUNDAY SERVICE**  
**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**“A Sunday at Lake Greenwood”**  
**10:30am**

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“It takes a new birth to see the world through the eyes of Jesus.”

**ENTRANCE**

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AT CAMP FELLOWSHIP ON LAKE GREENWOOD**

**WELCOME AND SILENCE**

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*I Saw the Light*  
Kevin Brock, Brandon Smith, Clay Sprouse

*Jackson Station Band*

**\*GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, 1 Peter 1:3-7

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.**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,**

and to an inheritance which is imperishable,  
undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

**who by God’s power are guarded through faith  
for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.**

In this you rejoice,

though now for a little while you may have to suffer various trials,  
so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold  
which though perishable is tested by fire,

**may redound to praise and glory and honor  
at the revelation of Jesus Christ.”**

**\*HYMN**

*The Old Rugged Cross*

Back of Scripture Sheet

**\*COMMON PRAYER**

Based on John 2:23-3:21

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
you give us eyes to see the wonders of creation  
and to stand in awe at your handiwork.  
But sin has blinded our inward eyes and stolen their sight,  
and unless you give us new eyes,  
we cannot see your kingdom and all its riches in Jesus Christ.  
It is at hand, and we cannot touch it.  
It is all around us, and we cannot perceive it.  
Only your Holy Spirit can open our eyes and restore what we have lost.  
That you love us and this whole world is good news indeed.  
That you offer us a new birth and new sight is our great hope.  
That we can live as your sons and daughters is a high privilege.  
On this day and in this beautiful place,  
may we behold the One on whom your favor rests, Jesus our Lord.  
Amen.** (All pray in silence, listening for the voice of the Good Shepherd.)

**TESTIMONIES TO GOD'S GRACE**

All God's People!

(A Scripture, a witness, an answered prayer, a spiritual gift, a call to serve....)

When and how did Jesus Christ become real and alive to me?

**WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS**

## **PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON LESSON**

*You Must Be Born Again*

John 2:23-3:21

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

**SERMON**

*Jesus The Riddler*

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

## **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

### **SILENCE WITH THE WORD READ AND PREACHED**

**\*HYMN**

*Amazing Grace*

*Jackson Station*

**OFFERING**

*Will the Circle Be Unbroken?*

*Jackson Station*

**\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Today I pray for: \_\_\_\_\_

## **SENDING FORTH**

**\*GOSPEL SONG**

*I'll Fly Away*

*Jackson Station*

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

**\*INSTRUCTION FOR LUNCH AND THE AFTERNOON'S ACTIVITIES**

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

Sunday, August 23

*The Cost of Loyalty*

Matthew 10:17-42

Amanda Scott of the Lamb Institute is *On the Witness Stand* next Sunday

Main Street UMC is invited to a special "Community Worship"  
at Weston Chapel AME on Cambridge on Sunday, Aug. 23 at 4:00pm with  
Rev. Dr. Tony Hopkins of First Baptist as the preacher.

Thanks to all, particularly Kathy Kelly and Lee Robirds,  
for today's arrangements.