



 **Main Street**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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WELCOMING

**Sunday, January 18, 2015**  
**Services at 8:30/11:00am**  
**[www.msumc1.org](http://www.msumc1.org) and 92.9FM (WZLA) Sundays at noon**

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

## THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

Color: Green

\*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

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**“Jesus is still looking for a few followers to learn his ways and means.”**

### ENTRANCE

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

**TRINITY CHIME**

MaryAshlynn Perkey

**PRELUDE**

*Thy Word (Mark Hayes)*

Josh Harrington: Organist

**WELCOME AND SILENCE** Peggy Ackerman: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

**\*GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, James 5:13-16

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.**

James, the brother of Jesus, gave counsel to the church:

“Is any one among you suffering?”

**Let him pray.**

Is any cheerful?

**Let him sing praise.**

Is any among you sick?

**Let him call for the elders of the church,**

**and let them pray over him,**

**anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord;**

and the prayer of faith will save the sick man,

and the Lord will raise him up;

**and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.**

Therefore confess your sins to one another,

**and pray for one another, that you may be healed.”**

**\*HYMN, NO. 474**

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

Crucifer: Bob Bennett, Acolytes: Madalin Radcliffe, Trace Meredith

**\*COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Based on Mt. 4:12-25

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray:

**Almighty God, our holy and heavenly Father,  
you know the full effects of sin and evil on our flesh.  
You know the time bombs hidden in our genetic code.  
You know the habits we practice for good or ill.  
Have mercy on us, O Lord, because that is your deepest character.  
We crave an abundant life of joy  
and too often look for it in all the wrong places.  
Unless you come near to us with healing grace,  
there will be no change of mind or heart or behavior.  
By the presence and power of your Holy Spirit,  
come down and come near to us today:  
with forgiveness, with freedom from bondage, and with healing and hope.  
May the risen Jesus walk the aisles of this church today,  
and may you deepen our desire to be his disciples.  
We wait in silence upon your pleasure and your guidance.  
Amen.** (Wait before the Lord in silence. Pardon is announced.)

**\*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70**

*Glory Be to the Father*

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

**ON THE WITNESS STAND**

*An Update*

Tyler Larkins: Chair of Trustees

**PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

*The Call of Elijah*

1 Kings 19:19-21

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

(Jon Bassett: Lay Reader)

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

**ANTHEM** *Sing the Song of Praise (E. Butler)* Chancel Choir  
Josh Harrington: Interim Director

**SERMON LESSON** *Three Kingdom Scenes* Matthew 4:12-25  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** *The Unleashing Of The Son* Phil Thraillkill: Pastor  
**What would it mean for me to follow Jesus and be caught up in his work?**

## **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN No. 262** *Heal Me, Hands of Jesus*  
(The altar is open for prayer during this hymn and the following prayers.)

**\*A LITANY FOR THE SICK AND ALL WHO CARE FOR THEM**  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

### **GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY** *God's Great Grace (Curtis)* Josh Harrington: Organist

**\*DOXOLOGY, NO. 95** *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

### **\*PRAYER OF THANKS AND LORD'S PRAYER**

### **THE COMMISSIONING OF OUR 2015 HONDURAS MEDICAL TEAM**

## **SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN, No. 273** *Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands*

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

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

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

**THE PASTORAL BLESSING OF A PREGNANCY** Steve and Cindee Stewart

Join us for prayer from 6:30-7:00pm in the Chapel on Thursdays.  
Sunday, January 25 *The Way Up Is The Way Down* Matthew 4:23-5:6

The flowers are given in loving memory of Dr. Casper E. Wiggins by his family.