



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

Sunday, July 19, 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

8th Sunday After Pentecost

Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided.

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

“Jesus treated evil as a deceptive personal foe that influenced people and cultures.”

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME

Rebekah Lomax

PRELUDE

Introduction Chorale (Boellman)

Josh Harrington: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Ann West: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Ephesians 6:10-13

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 Apostle Paul encouraged the church at Ephesus,

“Finally, be strong in the Lord
and in the strength of his might.

Put on the whole armor of God,

that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

For we are not contending against flesh and blood,

but against the principalities,

against the powers,

against the world rulers of this present darkness,

against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Therefore take the whole armor of God,

that you may be able to withstand in the evil day,

and having done all, to stand.”

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 154**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

(Crucifer: Wylan Radcliffe, Acolytes: Maddalin Radcliffe, Rebekah Lomax)

+COMMON PRAYER

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

**Almighty and most merciful God, our heavenly Father:
you lead the mighty armies of heaven
that will one day sweep this world free of all that is evil.
Death and disease and all that is demonic will be no more.
Bitterness and poverty and war and violence will be no more.
All who have plotted against your holy ways will be no more.
Of that great day you have given us a preview in the life of Jesus the Lord.
We thank for the remembrance of his mighty miracles:
how his holy presence and powerful words freed the tormented,
and restored health and sanity to those who sought his aid.
As those stories are read again in our hearing,
may the same Holy Spirit that gave him such authority come to us.
Open the heavens over this place.
Expose in us all that is not of your kingdom.
Free your people, O Lord, that we may serve you with joy
and be faithful ambassadors of our great captain, Jesus Christ.
Amen.** (All wait in silence, listening for the word of God.)

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

Glory Be to the Father

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

No Evil Involvements

Deuteronomy 18:9-22

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

(Bayard Lindell: Lay Reader)

+PSALM 91, No. 810

A Psalm of God's Protection

CHILDREN'S TIME

Shell Dula

ANTHEM *Before the Throne of God Above* Phil Saunders: Solo

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SERMON LESSON *Jesus the Liberator* Matthew 8:28-9:7
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *The Power And Limits Of Jesus' Authority* Phil Thrailkill: Pastor
Where am I resistant to the love and power of Jesus Christ?
What would it mean for Jesus to free, forgive, and restore me?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED

***HYMN, No. 262** *Heal Me, Hands of Jesus*

***THE RENEWAL OF OUR BAPTISMAL PROMISES** *Hymnal: 34-35*

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring* Josh Harrington, Steve Driskill: Duet

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

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

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN, No. 514** *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

***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

Next Sunday is Josh Harrington's last Sunday with us. We will all miss him!

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

Sermon manuscripts and a checklist on occult involvement are on the stand up front.

Sunday, July 26

The Disruptive Call

Matthew 9:8-17