



## Sunday, February 1, 2015 Services at 8:30/11:00am www.msumc1.org and 92.9FM (WZLA) Sundays at noon

Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"

# THE SUNDAY SERVICE

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After the Epiphany Color: Green

\*Stand as able A nursery is provided Large print hymnals, bulletins, and hearing devices are available from the ushers. "We believe mercy, purity of heart, peacemaking, and courage are kingdom actions."

# **ENTRANCE**

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLEPray as you enter; assume silence at the chimingTRINITY CHIMEJosh Harrington: OrganistPRELUDEJosh Harrington: OrganistWELCOME AND SILENCEGlenn Williams: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

\*GREETING

11:00am

Trinitarian Greeting, James 1:19-21, 26-27

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, wrote wisdom to the church, "Know this, my beloved brethren.

Let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger, for the anger of man does not work the righteousness of God.

Therefore put away all filthiness and rank growth of wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls....

If any one thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this man's religion is vain.

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world."

\*HYMN, NO. 96 Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above (Crucifer: MaryAshlynne Perkey, Acolytes: Vivi Joy Pinckney, Libby Hartung)

# \*COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON<br/>Christ our Lord invites to his table<br/>all who love him,<br/>who earnestly repent of their sin<br/>and seek to live in peace with one another.Based on Mt. 5:7-10<br/>It's the Lord's table!<br/>Do you?<br/>Are you?<br/>Will you?Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and neighbor.Honesty!

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

Almighty God, our holy and heavenly Father, to the merciful you show mercy, and to the pure in heart you are seen everywhere. You fill your followers with peace that we may pass it on, and you set us against the illusions and lies of our present world. What a privilege to be known as followers of your Son Jesus, to find in him a friend who cares about more than our happiness. May your Holy Spirit light the path before us today, that we may walk even now by the powers of your coming kingdom. Have mercy upon us all, for we are in great need. Clear the clutter from our hearts. Plant your peace deep within us, and give us courage to make our witness and face the consequences. We are hungry and thirsty for your presence, O Lord. Come and fill us. Amen. (Silence is kept for confession. Pardon in announced.)

\*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70 Glory Be to the Father

#### WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS ON THE WITNESS STAND Honduras Medical Team: Jimmy Kelly

# **PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE**

CHILDREN'S TIME	Seek God for the City	Susan Pinckney	
ANTHEM	Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands Josh Harrington: Interim Director	Chancel Choir	
SERMON LESSON	Blessed Are	Matthew 4:23-5:10	
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!			

**SERMON** What Following Jesus Is Like Phil Thrailkill: Pastor Why are mercy, purity of heart, peace, and courage so important in our day?

## **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN No. 402** Lord, I Want to Be a Christian (The altar is open for prayer during this hymn.)

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS OFFERTORY Josh Harrington: Organ \*DOXOLOGY, NO. 95 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER

Musical Setting B: 18-20

\*HOLY COMMUNION In four actions Jesus took, blessed, broke, and gave Servers: David & Jeannie Patterson, Ann Landis & Mark Robirds, Ann & Charlie West, John & Amy Young

**THE ENROLLMENT OF OUR 2015 CONFIRMATION CLASS**Phil and Phil!Ann Baker, Haley Barnhart, Lucas Bassett, Bennett Charles, Sam Crooks,<br/>Rachel Holder, Layton Logan, Josh Sluder, Emily Camp, Wylan Radcliffe

# **SENDING FORTH**

*HYMN, No. 273	Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hand	ds
*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSIN	G	Phil Thrailkill: Pastor
*SUNG RESPONSE, NO. 66	6 Shalom to You	
*POSTLUDE, TIME TO GREET A VISITOR!		Josh Harrington: Organist

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

Sunday, February 8 The Salt And Light Company Matthew 5:11-12, 13-16

The Dula Class Super Bowl Party Begins At 4:30 In The Fellowship Hall