



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WORSHIPPING



SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

October 25, 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

22nd Sunday After Pentecost

Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided.

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

“Be a witness! Let the Holy Spirit call you to give glad testimony to Jesus Christ.”

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE Pray as you enter; assume silence at the chiming
TRINITY CHIME Schuyler McGinnis

PRELUDE *A Mighty Fortress (W. Held)* Emily Wallace: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE Ann West: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

***GREETING** Trinitarian Greeting, Our Vision and Mission Statement

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.

What is the mission of Main Street United Methodist Church?

We are “Following Christ from City Center.”

And what is our vision?

“As members of Main Street United Methodist Church,

we are called to grow as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ by:

- * **Faithfully worshipping our holy God with love and devotion;**
- * **Compassionately serving those in need;**
- * **Building bridges to the diverse neighborhoods of the Greenwood community;**
- * **Welcoming all to hear God's story.”**

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 578** *God of Love and God of Power*
(Crucifer: Sam Crooks, Acolytes: Richie Pinckney, Hannah Crooks)

***MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER**

Based on 1 Corinthians 9:19-27

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

**Almighty God, our holy, heavenly Father,
in your great wisdom and love
you sent your only Son in the flesh of Jesus to come to us sinners.
He came so close and was so warmly human
that he dwelt in Nazareth for thirty years
as an ordinary man, a friend, a neighbor, a brother, a son, and a worker.
Your Word and your Spirit lay hidden in his heart
till you called him out of hiding
to proclaim your kingdom and show its powers to heal and restore.
Give us the grace and wisdom, O Lord,
to gently enter the into the lives of those who do not know you,
there to listen and to pray and to witness and to love,
that your Holy Spirit may draw them towards the only Savior there is.
May the salt of our lives make them thirsty for living water,
and may the flame of our faith illumine your holy and good ways.
Amen. (All wait in listening silence before the Lord.)**

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

Glory Be to the Father

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

REGISTRATION FOR THE MEAL ON NOVEMBER 15: CONSECRATION SUNDAY

STEWARDSHIP WITNESS

Tyler and Jennifer Larkins

ON THE WITNESS STAND

Honduras Report

Jeremy Kelly

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

CHILDREN'S TIME

Mary Lynn Polk

ANTHEM

The Solid Rock (arr. Kirkland)
Emily Wallace: Organist

Chancel Choir

SERMON LESSON

The Skill Of Being A Witness
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

1 Corinthians 9:19-27

SERMON

The Power of Influence

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

“As members of Main Street UMC,
will you faithfully participate in our ministries by your prayers, your presence,
your gifts, your service, and your witness?” **I will.**

RESPONSES TO THE WORD**SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED**

Who is God bringing to mind that needs my love and witness?

***HYMN, No. 591**

Rescue the Perishing

(The altar is open for prayer for the lost and wandering during this hymn.)

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**OFFERTORY**

In Christ Alone (Brab Crooks)

Emily Wallace: Organist

***DOXOLOGY, NO. 95**

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER*SENDING FORTH*****HYMN, No. 593**

Here I Am, Lord

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

***CHORAL BENEDICTION, No. 672**

God Be With You....

Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE**

Toccata in D Minor (Bach)

Emily Wallace: Organist

The chancel flowers are given by Bill and Doris Tunstall
in honor of their 63rd wedding anniversary today.

Please join us for prayer in the chapel on Thursdays from 6:30-7:00pm

Sermon manuscripts are available each Sunday up front on the left stand.