



 **Main Street**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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WELCOMING

**Sunday, April 26, 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**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Color: White**

\*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

**“The church is built on the foundation of the apostles  
who were witnesses to all Jesus said and did, before and after Easter.”**

## ENTRANCE

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE** Pray as you enter; assume silence at the chiming  
**TRINITY CHIME** MaryAshlynn Perkey

**PRELUDE** *The Glory of God in Nature (Beethoven)* Josh Harrington: Organist

**WELCOME AND SILENCE** Glenn Williams : Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

**\*GREETING** Trinitarian Greeting, Easter Shout!

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.**

Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed!**

Blessing and honor, dominion and power,

be to God for ever and ever!

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

**\*PROCESSION HYMN, No. 327** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*  
(Crucifer: Layton Logan, Acolytes: Madaline Radcliffe, Andrew Driver)

**\*COMMON PRAYER** Based on John 21:15-25

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

Our risen Lord, Jesus Christ,  
ruling over your church till you return in glory:  
you look past our failures and offer restoration.  
You seek us out in all our hiding places.  
Your persistent love is not satisfied  
until we return your love in word and deed.  
What a wonder it is that you give us your work to do:  
feeding lambs, tending sheep, telling stories,  
protecting your flock, following you always.  
Show us again how much you love the church,  
and how sacred is the trust given to its pastors and leaders.  
To you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (All pray in silence.)

**\*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 99**

*My Tribute*

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

**ON THE WITNESS STAND**

*Testimony: The Women's Retreat*

Debbie Tharpe

## **PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE**

**FIRST LESSON**

*The Unity and Power of the Church Protected*

Acts 5:1-16

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

(Richard Pinckney: Lay Reader)

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

Susan Pinckney

**ANTHEM**

*How Can I Keep From Singing*

Chancel Choir

Josh Harrington: Organist, Interim Music Director

### **A SAMPLE FROM THE ORDINATION SERVICE FOR U.M. ELDERS**

Are you persuaded that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments contain all things necessary for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, and are the unique and authoritative standard for the Church's faith and life?

**I am so persuaded by God's grace.**

In covenant with other elders, will you be loyal to the United Methodist Church, accepting its order, liturgy, doctrine, and discipline, defending it against all doctrines contrary to God's Holy Word, and accepting the authority of those who are appointed to supervise your ministry?

**I will, with the help of God.**

**SERMON LESSON**                      *The First Generation of Leaders*                      John 21:15-25

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

**SERMON**                                      *Tough and Tender Jesus*                                      Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

What hope does this give me for my own restoration?  
Where am I trying to manage others rather than follow Christ?

## **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN, No. 398**                                      *Jesus Calls Us*  
(The altar is open for prayer for all during this hymn and during the offering.)

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

**OFFERTORY**                                      *Consolation 5 (Liszt)*                                      Josh Harrington: Organist

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

### **\*PRAYERS FOR GOD'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD, THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**\*CONFESSING THE THEN-AND-NOW FAITH**      *The Apostles' Creed*      *Hymnal: 881*

## **SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN No. 601**                                      *Thy Word Is a Lamp*

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

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

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

The flowers are given in loving memory of Edward F. Workman by his family.

The rosebud is given in honor of Cori Elizabeth D'Alessandro,  
daughter of Ryan and Ashley D'Alessandro, born on April 20, 2015.

May 3, 2015

*A Kingdom Investment Policy*

Matthew 6:19-24