



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WORSHIPPING



SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

September 27, 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

18th Sunday After Pentecost

Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided.

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

“We learn to pray rightly by meeting with God’s people each Sunday.”

ENTRANCE

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

PRELUDE Josh Harrington: Guest Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE Ann West: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thraikill: 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. 452

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

(Crucifer: Joe Hartung, Acolytes: Libby Hartung, Rebekah Lomax)

***COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Based on James 5:13-20

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

**Almighty God, our holy, heavenly Father,
you see the beautiful and broken world we inhabit.
You alone know the full effects of sin and evil and death and deception,
and you have called us to follow Jesus all our days.
We confess that we have worried too much and prayed too little.
We have too often made prayer a last resort rather than the first help.
We have forgotten how to get on our knees and cry to heaven.
And it is no wonder that we miss the freedom of healing and forgiveness.
But we are your people because of what you have done for us.
So may the blood of Jesus be the guarantee of our forgiveness.
And may he apply it fresh to our hearts and minds.
Restore to us, O Lord, a deep hunger and keen desire to be your friends,
and to turn the whole of our lives, the pain and the pleasures, into prayer.
More than anything, we need your presence and your assurance.
Come near to us, and cover us with the cloud of your Holy Spirit.
Amen.** (Silence is kept for confession of sin. Pardon is announced.)

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

Glory Be to the Father

ON THE WITNESS STAND

A Call To Prayer

Phil Thrailkill: Prayer

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

The Early Ministry of Elijah

1 Kings 17:1-24

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

(Pam Faulkner: Lay Reader)

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANTHEM

It Is Good (Boersma/Lantz)

Mary Lynn Polk

Chancel Choir

John McFadden: Music Director

SERMON LESSON

Jesus' Brother James Teaches On Prayer

James 5:13-20

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SERMON*Two Places Where We Learn To Pray*

Phil Thrailkill: 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**

Is my walk with Jesus saturated in prayer and informed by Scripture?

HYMN, No. 500** *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*THE PRAYER OF GOD’S PEOPLE**Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer****GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS****OFFERTORY**

Josh Harrington: Organist

DOXOLOGY, NO. 95** *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD’S PRAYER***Hymnal: 895***SENDING FORTH*****HYMN, No. 507***Through It All****DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

CHORAL BENEDICTION, No. 672God Be With You....*

Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE**

Josh Harrington: Organist

A SERVICE FOR THE BLESSING OF PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH

Joey and Lindsay Burns, Baily and Hannah Thompson

The chancel flowers are given by Kaye Southerland and Bill Klauber
in honor of their 1st wedding anniversary today.

Please join us for prayer in the chapel on Thursdays from 6:30-7:00pm
Sunday, Oct. 4 *Disciples Worship And Connect* Psalm 100, 1 Cor. 11:17-34