



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WORSHIPPING



SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

Sunday, May 31, 2015

10:30am

www.msumc1.org and 92.9FM (WZLA) Sundays at noon

Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am

Connection Sunday/ Trinity Sunday

White

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

“The church is God’s factory for a new kind of human being,
a people who together choose Jesus and his challenging path.”

ENTRANCE

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

PRELUDE *I’ll Fly Away* Josh Harrington: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE Kit Adkins : 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. 89** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*
(Crucifer: Lucas Bassett, Acolytes: Jarratt Smith, Ella Bassett)

*MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER

Based on Matthew 7:13-20

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

**Almighty God, our Father in heaven,
we thank you that Jesus Christ is the open gate into your kingdom.
But we are so easily distracted from the narrow gate and the hard path.
Temptations are within and all around us.
False prophets lure us at every turn with pleasing words.
The wide gate and the easy path are ever at hand and always popular.
We tremble when we consider your present and future judgments,
so keep us on the path of life and out of the way of destruction.
We hunger for all the good things of this life,
and we believe that the very best is found with you and your people.
Awaken us today by the light and power of your Holy Spirit,
that in the reading and preaching of your Word
we may be stirred from the slumbers of our sin and the habits of our sloth
to new life and fresh faithfulness.
We wait upon your presence, O Lord.
Make yourself known among us and touch every heart and mind.
Amen.** (All wait before the Lord in silence and listening.)

SONGS OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

See the insert. The *Jubilee* Praise Band
Beautiful One, Revelation Song

Ken Kittle, Glenn Williams, Bob Bennett, Nita Rudy, Kayla Titus

TESTIMONIES FROM GOD'S PEOPLE

Where Has God Been at Work?

(A Scripture, an answered prayer, a thanksgiving, a revelation or spiritual gift, a dream, a rescue from temptation, a healing, a God-sighting, a hope or dream!)

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

FIRST LESSON

The Lord and his Wayward Vineyard People

Isaiah 5:1-25

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

(Kim Clark: Lay Reader)

UNITED METHODIST TEACHING: WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

BOD 2012: 71

The Confession of Faith, Article V: The Church

“We believe the Christian Church is the community of all true believers under the Lordship of Christ. We believe it is one, holy, apostolic and catholic. It is the redemptive fellowship in which the Word of God is preached by men (and women) divinely called, and the sacraments are duly administered according to Christ's own appointment. Under the discipline of the Holy Spirit the Church exists for 1) the maintenance of worship, 2) the edification (i.e. *building up*) of believers and 3) the redemption of the world.”

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Shell Dula

ANTHEM

He's Never Failed Me Yet

Chancel Choir

Josh Harrington: Organist, Interim Director

SERMON LESSON

Jesus Warns His Would-Be Followers

Matthew 7:13-20

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

SERMON

Which Way Is Life?

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

*INVITATION HYMN, No. 724

On Jordans' Stormy Banks I Stand

*CONFESSING THE FAITH, No. 881

The Apostle's Creed

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

In the Garden

Josh Harrington: Organist

*DOXOLOGY, NO. 95

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

*A LITANY FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH, LORD'S PRAYER

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

SENDING FORTH

*A COUNTRY HYMN

Have A Little Talk With Jesus

Jubilee Praise Band

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You And Keep You

Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE, TIME TO GREET A VISITOR!

Josh Harrington: Organist

GIVE YOU INFO! GET YOUR PICTURE MADE! JOIN US FOR LUNCH!