

June 12, 2016 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

4th Sunday After Pentecost Color: Green *Stand as able A nurserv is provided

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

"John Wesley died on March 2, 1791, in his eighty-eighth year. As he lay dying, his friends gathered around him, Wesley grasped their hands and said repeatedly, 'Farewell, farewell.' At the end, summoning all his remaining strength, he cried out, 'The best of all is, God is with us,' lifted his arms and raised his feeble voice again, repeating the words, 'The best of all is, God is with us.'"

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE Pray as you enter; assume silence at the chiming

TRINITY CHIME

Ella Bassett

(Ann West: Prayer Sentinel, Sound Engineer: Albert Dukes)

PRELUDE Invention No. 8 (Bach) Emily Wallace: Organ

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*GREETING

Trinitarian Greeting, Psalm 100 (RSV)

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.

"Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the lands! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD is God! It is he that made us, and we are his: we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations."

*HYMN, No. 140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Crucifer: Lucas Bassett, Acolytes: Tucker Meredith, Vivi Joy Pinckney)

***COMMON PRAYER**

Based on Romans 8:28-39

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father: nothing is lost to you, and you weave all things together for our good. You see what we do not see: you know what we do not know; and your great love is always at work among us. And when this life is past and our struggles ended, we will look back and rejoice at your wonderful care and providence. How you took our disappointments and turned them into hope. How you took our tragedies and wove them into a larger pattern. How you took our doubts and created new space for fresh faith. There is no power in heaven or on earth that can separate us from your love in Jesus Christ our Lord. May your Holy Spirit bring the riches of our Savior down to us today, and may our hearts be set on fire with love for you and one another. **Amen.** (Wait in silence on the Lord.)

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

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

DEDICATION OF 2016 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORKERS (Heidi Saunders, Hannah Thompson, Pastor Phil)

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

FIRST LESSON The Testing Of Abraham Genesis 22:1-19 This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God! (Lay Reader: Pam Faulkner)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Myra Greene

ANTHEM Children of the Heavenly Father (arr. Forrest) Chancel Choir John McFadden: Director, Emily Wallace: Organist

SERMON LESSONThe Very Best Of Saint Paul!Romans 8:28-39This is the word of the Lord.Thanks be to God!SERMONWe Belong To Jesus Christ ForeverPhil Thrailkill: PastorDo I have a deep and abiding confidence that I belong to Jesus Christ?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD OF GOD *HYMN, No. 369 Blessed Assurance

*CONFESSING THE FAITH The Apostles' Creed Hymnal: 881

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS OFFERTORY Praise to the Lord, The Almighty Emily Wallace: Organist *DOXOLOGY, NO. 95 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow *PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN, No. 707 Hymn of Promise
*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Phil Thrailkill: Pastor
*CHORAL BENEDICTION Chancel Choir
*POSTLUDE Toccata (Young) Emily Wallace: Organist Join us for prayer on Thursdays from 6:30-7:00pm in the Chapel.
June 15 Pastor's Bible Study @ 5:30pm..... 1 Corinthians 13 Weston Chapel AME (Rev. Furman Miller) invites Main St. to join them for an hour of prayer on Sunday, June 19 at 4:00pm to mark the anniversary of the Charleston killings.