

April 24, 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 5th Sunday of Easter

Color: White

*Stand as able A nursery is provided Large print hymnals, bulletins, and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

"Jesus calls for your trust because of the evidence he gives."

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME

11:00am

Ella Bassett

(Ann West: Prayer Sentinel, Sound Engineer: Stuart Driver)

PRELUDE Come, Thou Fount (arr. Burkhardt) Emily Wallace: Organ

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Glenn Williams: Asst. Lay Leader

*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. 158 Come, Christians, Join to Sing (Crucifer: Schuyler McGinnis, Acolytes: Hannah Crooks, Richie Pinckney)

*MUTUAL BLESSING AND COMMON PRAYER

Based on John 9:35-41

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father: in the face of Jesus the Son we see your compassion, in the power of Jesus we feel your Holy Spirit, in the teaching of Jesus we hear your voice, and in the suffering of Jesus we see how great is your love for sinners. We thank you for the four gospels where the life of the Savior is displayed before all the world. But we are dull of hearing and hard of heart, and we need both light from above and a preacher to help us. So as the Scriptures are opened and read in our hearing, open our eyes that we may see, illumine our minds that we may understand, stir our hearts that we may hunger for more, and move our wills in the direction of obedience. We present ourselves before you as a congregation, and we ask the honor of your holy presence. Amen. (Silence is kept for prayer and listening.)

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

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Phil Saunders: Youth Minister

ANTHEM	All of Our Praise	Chancel Choir
	John McFadden: Director, Debbie McFadden: Soloist	

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST PREACHER Glenn Williams: Asst. Lay Leader

SERMON LESSONJesus Demands An AnswerJohn 9:35-41This is the word of the Lord.Thanks be to God!

SERMON

So What?

Rev. John McFadden

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD READ AND PREACHED

*HYMN, No. 453 More Love to Thee, O Christ

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM When Morning Gilds the Skies Emily Wallace: Piano

Hymnal: 895

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

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER

*CONFESSING THE FAITH, No. 881 The Apostles' Creed

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN, No. 381 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Rev. John McFadden

*CHORAL BENEDICTION Come, Glorify the Lord with Me Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE** Grand Chorus in G (Salome) Emily Wallace: Organist

The flowers are given to God's glory and in loving memory of Edward F. Workman by his family

You are invited to join us for prayer from 6:30-7:00 pm on Thursday evening

Wednesday, April 27 Pastor's Bible Study @ 6:00 pm..... 1 Corinthians 10:1-22

Sunday, May 1 The Blessing And The Challenge 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 (Second in a monthly series on the meanings of Holy Communion.)