



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WORSHIPPING



SERVING



BUILDING



WELCOMING

August 28, 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

15th Sunday After Pentecost

Green

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

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

**“Trust and obey, for there’s no other way,
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.”**

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME

Ella Bassett

(Ann West: Prayer Sentinel, Steve Skinner: Sound Operator)

PRELUDE

The Lord’s Prayer (Malotte)

Emily Wallace: Piano

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Isaiah 41:8-10

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.

“But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen,

the offspring of Abraham, my friend;

you whom I took from the ends of the earth,

and called from its farthest corners, saying to you,

‘You are my servant,

I have chosen you and not cast you off.’

Fear not, for I am with you,

be not dismayed, for I am your God;

I will strengthen you, I will help you,

I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.”

***HYMN, No. 128**

He Leadeth Me

Crucifer: Lucas Bassett, Acolytes: Tucker Meredith, Hannah Crooks

+COMMON PRAYER

Based on Romans 4:1-12

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father:

unless you speak, we cannot answer;

and unless you call, we cannot follow.

**We thank you for Abraham, our ancient forefather in the faith,
how he trusted your promises and learned to walk with you,
the one and the true and the only Living God.**

**We have nothing to offer but our bare trust and reliance,
for you have need of nothing and are fully blest.**

**Even the stirring of faiths we feel
are a gift from on high and not our own creation.**

**May your Holy Spirit dwell with us and among us this day,
that we may trust afresh in Jesus Christ for all his saving benefits.**

Amen. (Seek the Lord in silence.)

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 116**

The God of Abraham Praise

Stanza 1 Only

**WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS
ON THE WITNESS STAND**

Amanda Scott: Lamb Institute

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

God Starts A New Tribe

Genesis 12:1-9, 15:1-6

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

(Ann Landis: Lay Reader)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Myra Greene

ANTHEM

Show Me Your Cross

Chancel Choir

John McFadden: Director, Emily Wallace: Organ

SERMON LESSON

God's Accounting System

Romans 4:1-12

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

UNITED METHODIST DOCTRINE

The Book of Discipline 2012: 65

The Articles of Religion, Article IX: "Of the Justification of Man"

"We are accounted righteous before God only for the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, by faith, and not for our own works or deservings. Wherefore, that we are justified by faith, only, is a most wholesome doctrine, and very full of comfort."

SERMON

In The Steps Of Father Abraham

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

Trust is God's biggest requirement of us and God's greatest gift to us.

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE WITH THE WORD OF GOD

***HYMN, No. 464**

I Will Trust in the Lord

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

His Eye is on the Sparrow (Arr. Krogstad)

Myra Greene: Solo

***DOXOLOGY, NO. 95**

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT II

Hymnal: 39-43

To be baptized and received into baptized membership:

Walker Redden Thompson (b. 1-29-2016), son of Bailey and Hannah Thompson.

(After the baptism, sing No. 191, "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know")

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN, No. 611**

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Phil Thraikill: Pastor

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE**

Toccata (DuBois)

Emily Wallace: Organ

The flowers are given to God's glory and in celebration of Joebie and Marian Adams' 60th wedding anniversary on September 1 by their family.

The rosebud is given in honor of the birth of Timothy Wyatt Munnerlyn on August 18, 2016 to Tim and Kelli Munnerlyn.

Join us for prayer on Thursday from 6:30-7:00pm in the Chapel.

(The church office may be reached at 864-229-7551)