

May 29, 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 2nd Sunday After Pentecost

Color: Green

*Stand as able

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

11:00am

"We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen." – The hope filled last line of the Nicene Creed –

ENTRANCE

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

TRINITY CHIME Ella Bassett

(Kit Adkins: Prayer Sentinel, Sound Engineer: Albert Dukes)

PRELUDE This Little Light of Mine (arr. Hayes) Emily Wallace: Piano WELCOME AND SILENCE Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*GREETING Trinitarian Greeting, Revelation 21:1-4

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.

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling of God is with mortals."

He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people,

and God himself will be with them; he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away."

*HYMN, No. 715 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

(Crucifer: Bennett Charles, Acolytes: Andrew Driver, Richie Pinckney)

*COMMON PRAYER

Based on Romans 8:18-27

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father:

you alone know the full pain and wreckage of your good world, how the powers of sin and evil and death leave nothing untouched.

There is no cry or groan of animal or man that is hid from you.

Look upon your people with mercy today.

We thank you that in Jesus Christ

we have a Savior and a Healer and a Friend and a Lord who has come near enough to make a difference forever.

We know that your Holy Spirit is with us in all our struggles

and that we are never abandoned or forgotten.

And until the day we see you face to face,

keep alive in us the vision of a new world, your coming kingdom, where all that you have made is fully restored in a great resurrection.

Reveal yourself to us now, as we wait in silence before you.

Amen. (Wait in silence on the Lord.)

*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70

Glory Be to the Father

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

ON THE WITNESS STAND

No More Malaria

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

FIRST LESSON

The Day Paradise Was Forfeited

Genesis 3:1-24

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

(Lay Reader: Jane Marshall)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

John McFadden

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

ANTHEM How Firm A Foundation (arr. Koch)

John McFadden: Director, Emily Wallace: Organist

SERMON LESSON The Old And The New Worlds Romans 8:18-27

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SERMONCan You Hear The Groaning? Phil Thrailkill: Pastor **Do I understand how the Christian faith makes sense of suffering and gives hope?**

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

SILENCE AND REFLECTION ON THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN, No. 474 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

*CONFESSING THE FAITH The Apostles' Creed Hymnal: 881

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Psalm (Young) Emily Wallace: Organ

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

*A LITANY ON THE SUNDAY BEFORE MEMORIAL DAY, THE LORD'S PRAYER Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN, No. 710 Faith of Our Fathers

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION In Christ Alone Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE Prelude in F (Bach) Emily Wallace: Organist

The flowers are given to God's glory by the Workman family.

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