



 **Main Street**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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WELCOMING

**March 12, 2017**  
**Services at 8:30/11:00 am**  
**[www.msumc1.org](http://www.msumc1.org) and 92.9FM (WZLA) Sundays at noon**

**Our Mission: "Following Christ from City Center"**

## THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent

Purple

\*Stand as able

A nursery is provided.

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

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**“Sins are to be confessed, turned away from, and forgiven;  
evil, however, is to be confronted and expelled.”**

**-The dual ministry of Jesus in healing and restoring each of us.-**

### ENTRANCE

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE** Pray as you enter; assume silence at the chiming  
**TRINITY CHIME** Jarratt Smith: Chimer, Jeff Smith: Sound

**PRELUDE** *Go Down Moses (arr. Leavitt)* Emily Wallace: Piano

**WELCOME AND SILENCE** Kit Adkins: Prayer Sentinel, Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

**\*GREETING** Trinitarian Greeting, Ephesians 4:25-29

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.**

Paul was not hesitant to lay out the demands of discipleship,  
“Therefore, putting away falsehood,

**let every one speak the truth with his neighbor,  
for we are members one of another.**

Be angry but do not sin;

**do not let the sun go down on your anger,  
and give no opportunity to the devil.**

Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor,  
doing honest work with his hands,

**so that he may be able to give to those in need.**

Let no evil talk come out of your mouths,  
**but only such as is good for edifying, as fits the occasion,  
that it may impart grace to those who hear."**

**\*PROCESSION HYMN, No. 575**                      *Onward Christian Soldiers*  
(Crucifer: Keaton Alexander, Acolyte: Witt Smith)

**\*COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON**                      Based on Luke 11:14-28

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

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father:**  
**how we marvel at the power and love of Jesus Christ,**  
**that at his touch broken people were made whole,**  
**and at his word the torment of evil was expelled.**  
**The visible and invisible worlds were seen by him.**  
**He knows the truth about us all and misses nothing.**  
**He acted at your command,**  
**and the Holy Spirit backed his obedience with divine power.**  
**What we read about in Scripture, reproduce in our midst.**  
**Make us a church where the tormented are loosed into freedom,**  
**where the guilty and shamed are forgiven and restored,**  
**and where all the gifts of the Spirit are sought and welcomed.**  
**We have lived for too long on our own resources, O Lord.**  
**May your rule and reign come upon us this day.**  
**Open our eyes that we may behold your mighty works.**  
**Amen.** (Wait before the Lord in holy listening.)

**\*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 393**                      *Spirit of the Living God*  
**WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS**  
**ON THE WITNESS STAND** *Apologetics 3: A Longing for Justice* Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

## **PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Mary Lynn Polk

**ANTHEM**      *My Song Is Love Unknown (arr. Schwerzer)*      Chancel Choir  
John McFadden: Director, Emily Wallace: Organist, Sarah Dean: Violin

**SERMON LESSON**      *Insights Into The Other Kingdom*      Luke 11:14-28  
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**      *Ground Level Spiritual Warfare*      Phil Thraillkill: Pastor  
(3<sup>rd</sup> in the Lenten series: "A Glimpse Of The Dark Side")  
**How is the faith weakened when we ignore this difficult aspect of Jesus' work?**

## **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN, No. 110**      *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

### **GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**      *Father, We Thank You (arr. Good)*      Emily Wallace: Organist

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

### **\*A LITANY FOR CHRIST'S PROTECTION**

Lord, Jesus Christ. **Defend and protect your people.**

## **SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN, No. 271**      *The Lord's Prayer*

### **\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**      *In Christ Alone*      Chancel Choir

**\*POSTLUDE**      *Prelude and Fugue in D Minor (J.S. Bach)*      Emily Wallace

**PRAYERS FOR FREEDOM AT THE CHURCH ALTAR**      Pastor Phil

The flowers are given to God's glory  
and in loving memory of Stanley C. Baker, III by his family.

Please join us for prayer Thursday evenings from 6:30-7:00pm in the Chapel.

The Lenten Lunch & Worship is at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Wednesday, March 15.  
Lunch at 12 noon and 1:00pm, Worship at 12:30pm.

Next Sunday, David Patterson (chair of SPRC) will announce your new pastor!  
Sunday, March 19      *Full Battle Dress*      Ephesians 6:1-19