



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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SERVING



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WELCOMING

April 9, 2017
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

Palm/Passion Sunday

Purple

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided.

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

**“We stand at the gate of Holy Week.
Enter with care and with prayer.”**

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE ON THE FRONT LAWN FOR THE PROCESSION

Order of procession: Crucifer, Acolyte, Laity, Choir, Pastor.

TRINITY CHIME

Lucas Bassett

(Allie Williams: Prayer Sentinel, Stuart Driver: Sound)

***GREETING**

Marilyn Murphy: Lay Leader

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.

***THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM**

Mark 11:1-11

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

(Amy Young: Lay Reader)

***PROCESSION WITH PALMS, No. 278**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

(Crucifer: Wylan Radcliffe, Acolyte: Morgana McKee)

Lay your palms at the altar rail, then take your seats by the side aisles.

***MUTUAL BLESSING AND COMMON PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
This is the week Jesus challenged your people in Jerusalem,
and for which he was arrested, beaten, and crucified.
He was anointed for burial by an unnamed woman,
betrayed by Judas, and abandoned in fear by his friends.
But you sustained him in the loss, in the suffering,
in the battle, in the death, in his burial in a borrowed tomb.
In Jesus the full price for all our sins has been paid,
and we know just how far you will go, O Lord, to save us.
As we rehearse these great events,
may your Holy Spirit give us sight and insight,
that Jesus absorbed the evil and sin that was not his own.
Be our good and holy God,
and we, by your grace, will be your servants and witnesses.
Amen. (All pray in silence.)

***ACT OF PRAISE, NO. 70** *Glory Be to the Father*
WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS
ON THE WITNESS STAND *Clue No. 7: Eternity and Hope* Phil Thraillkill: Pastor

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Myra Greene
ANTHEM *Festival of Joy (Lantz)* Chancel Choir
John McFadden: Director, Emily Wallace: Organist

SERMON LESSON *The Story Behind The Story* Revelation 12:1-17
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**
SERMON *Battlefield Earth* Phil Thraillkill: Pastor
What would it mean to believe that Jesus defeats sin, evil, and death?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

***HYMN, No. 168** *At the Name of Jesus*
GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY *Lift High the Palms (Martin)* Chancel Choir
***DOXOLOGY, NO. 95** *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER**

THE COVENANT OF BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF MEMBERS

Hymnal: 34ff.

Finnley Elizabeth Smith (born 10/24/16),
daughter of Granger and Stephanie Smith.
Astrid Mary Jane Plampin (born 9/28/16),
daughter of James and Paige Plampin.

SENDING FORTH

Seek Ye First

***HYMN, No. 405**

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE**

Toccatà in D Minor (Bach)

Emily Wallace: Organist

The final Lenten Lunch and Worship service is at St. Mark UMC.

Lunch at 12 noon and 1:00pm, Worship at 12:30pm.

The flowers are given to God's glory and in honor of the baptisms of
Finnley Elizabeth Smith and Astrid Mary Jane Plampin by Jeff and Lisa Smith.

"WALKING WITH CHRIST" 2017, DAILY READINGS FOR HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday, April 9.	Mark 14:1-11
Monday, April 10.	Mark 14:12-16
Tuesday, April 11.	Mark 14:17-31
Wednesday, April 12.	Mark 14:32-52
Thursday, April 13.	Mark 14:53-72
Friday, April 14.	Mark 15:1-39
Saturday, April 15.	Mark 15:40-47
Easter Sunday, April 16.	Mark 16:1-20

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday Communion Service. April 13, 7:00 pm
Good Friday Passion Service. April 14, 7:00 pm
Easter Morning Services. April 16, 8:30 am & 11:00 am

A MAIN STREET UMC EASTER TRADITION

You are invited to bring fresh flowers on Easter morning to adorn a cross out front.
Come early enough to have your flowers added and a picture taken with family
and friends. Bring your own camera. The barren cross of Good Friday will be
garlanded with spring flowers as a witness to the glory of Jesus' resurrection.

Easter Sunday, April 16 *What Just Happened?* Mark 15:42-16:8