



To all who are weary and need rest
To all who mourn and need comfort
To all who are lonely and need friendship
To all who are complacent and need disturbing
To all who sin and need a savior
To all who are glad and would serve
This church opens wide its doors.

Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025

OPENING WORDS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Rev. Jana Dye
Associate Pastor

PRELUDE

"Lenten Hymn"

Metro Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come as you are.
If you have deep faith or your faith has run dry,
if you know every scripture or none at all,
if you have calloused hands and live your faith through good works,
or if you kneel at God's feet, with a million hungry questions,
come as you are.
This is God's house.
None are turned away.
All are welcome here.

PRAYER

Marcus Wilborn
Deacon

HYMN

"Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak" Baptist Hymnal 568

PASSING THE PEACE & SUNG RESPONSE

Congregation



Oh, Lord, you are our Ma - ker. We are the clay, — you are the pot - ter.

We are the work of your hands. A - men. We will soar on wings like ea - gles,

We will run and not grow wear - y. We will walk and not faint. — A - men.

Praise be to our Cre - a - tor. Praise be to our Re -

deem - er. Praise be to God on — high. A - men.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rosie Fernando-Rizzo



Welcome Survey

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LENTEN CANDLE LIGHTING

“Wildfire”

Deborah Doering

by Rev. Sarah A. Speed

You are with us in darkness and in light
In desert and in oasis
In waiting and in going
In fasting and in feasting
In giving up and taking in
In sin and in forgiveness
In death and in resurrection
You are with us in darkness and in light

COVENANT OF CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Tiffany Triplett Henkel

Pastor

OFFERTORY

“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”

Laura Bergquist



Online Giving

<http://mbcnyc.org/get-involved/give>

*I need no other argument,
 I need no other plea,
 It is enough that Jesus died,
 And that he died for me.*

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 10:38-42

Kathy Conry

SERMON

"Faith and Works"

Rev. Kym McNair

HYMN

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Baptist Hymnal 277

CLOSING WORDS

Rev. Jana Dye

BENEDICTION

Rev. Kym McNair

POSTLUDE

Laura Bergquist

You are invited to remain for post-service fellowship.

After the service, a camera and mic will be set up so remote and in-person attendees can visit with one another. Refreshments are available in the rear of the sanctuary.

Service Notes

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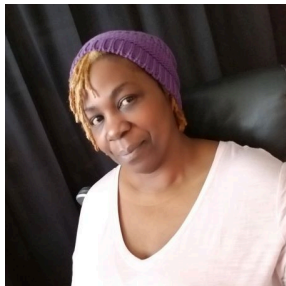
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TODAY'S PREACHER

Rev. Kym McNair is the Director of Social Transformation at My Sisters' Place, a domestic violence agency in Westchester county. She has worked with CONNECT Faith in their Safe Church Ending Child Sexual Abuse project, and she is also an anti-racist trainer and organizer with The People's Institute for Survival and Beyond, a multigenerational, multiethnic collective based in New Orleans. Kym holds ordinations in the National Baptist Church and American Baptist Churches-USA. She finds restoration in early morning walks with her rescue dog, Simba, and in tending to her vegetable and flower gardens.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Metro Midweek Gatherings for Lent

Wednesday, March 26 and Wednesday, April 9 at 7:00 PM on Zoom

Join us as we journey through this Lenten season together. In our upcoming midweek gatherings we will be pausing to come together and reflect on what it means to be living in the messy but beautiful in-betweens of this life. Reach out to Pastor Jana (jdye@mbcnyc.org) if you have any questions.





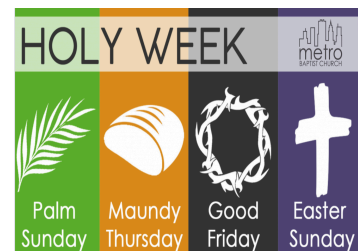
The story of Lent is a story of messy middles. Jesus is on the road, but he's not there yet. Jesus is telling stories, but the crowds don't understand. Jesus is leading a parade, but it's not the one they expected. Jesus is risen, but the disciples can't forget the cross. The story of Lent, the story of our faith, is a story of messy middles and nuanced surprises. So this Lent, as we travel through the Gospel of Luke, we are remembering that faith is more complex

than this or that, black or white, true or false storytelling. This Lent, we are wading into the middle of these sacred texts to find God and to stretch our own understanding beyond the binaries our world so often gives. Welcome to an in-between Lent. This is the light before the dawn.

Holy Week at Metro

The pastors of Metro look forward to commemorating the ritual of Holy Week with you next month. Join us for:

- **Palm Sunday** Service - April 13 at 11:00 AM
- **Holy Monday** - April 14 at 7:00 PM presentation of *The Gospel of John* by Ken Jennings in person in Metro's sanctuary.
- **Maundy Thursday** Service - April 17 at 6:30PM (hybrid worship but in-person attendees are invited to join us at 6:00 PM for Matzo ball soup.)
- **Good Friday** - April 18 we will be offering different opportunities for reflection and meditation. More details to follow.
- **Easter Sunday** - April 20 at 11:00 AM. Sermon by Pastor Tiffany with a special performance by the Metro Choir. "Breaking of the fast" with special treats will take place before worship.



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