



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.

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

July 27, 2025

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Tiffany Triplett Henkel
Pastor

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE

"Morning Prayer"

Laura Bergquist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Break down the barriers that divide us, O God.
Tear down the walls of hostility and fear.
Melt the barbed wire of anger and hatred.
Breathe new life into your people, O God.
For we are called to newness in Christ Jesus.
We are all siblings through God's love.
Come, let us worship the God
who removes obstacles from our paths.
Let us praise God who seeks to unite us in peace.

PRAYER

Alan H. Green
Deacon

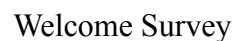
** Please stand as you are able.*

“Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!”

The Congregation

“The Bond of Love”

Aaron Moore



Joan Porter

Rev. Jana Dye

Associate Pastor

OFFERTORY

"Better Than I"

Tony Ponella



Online Giving

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

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all good gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SCRIPTURE

Galatians 3:23-29

Glenn Doering

SERMON

"Coreforms, Creeds,
and Cosmopolitanism."

Deborah Doering

*HYMN

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

Chalice 687

CLOSING WORDS

Rev. Tiffany Triplett Henkel

BENEDICTION

Deborah Doering

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

Cover art is a drawing by Deborah Adams Doering.

Prelude is arranged by Laura Bergquist.

Call to Worship is adapted from a liturgy written by Nancy C. Townley, posted on ministrymatters.com.

"Come Sing, O Church, In Joy" is by Brian Dill (words) & John Darwall (music).

"The Bond of Love" is by Otis Skillings (words and music).

"Better Than I" from the animated movie, Joseph, is by Otis Skillings (words and music).

"In Christ There is No East or West" is by John Oxenham (words) & Alexander R. Reinagle (music).

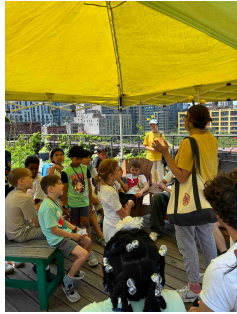
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TODAY'S PREACHER

Deborah Adams Doering is an artist, designer, curator, and writer. She often works collaboratively with her long-time partner and husband, Glenn N. Doering, and other co-creators, as DOEprojekts Art Collaborative (www.DOEprojekts.com, DOEprojekts.org). Deborah holds a B.A. in Art from Wheaton College, an M.A. in Theology and Art from the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, and an M.F.A. from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. She is an ordained Elder in the Presbyterian Church USA, and a member of Metro Baptist Church, NYC. Deborah's visual work is included in the Print and Drawing Collection of the Art Institute of Chicago. She teaches art and design at The Beekman School in Manhattan. In her free time, Deborah enjoys drinking espresso and playing with the family cat, Essio, as well as exploring geometric shapes ("Coreforms") in dialogue with creeds and cosmopolitan thought.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Summer Youth Programing Week 3 Roundup

We had a great third week of **CLUE Camp** led by our summer staff and some wonderful helpers from our wider MBC/RMM community. We delved into stories of welcome, community building, and mutual aid, while visiting the Children's Museum of Manhattan and a neighboring midtown rooftop garden. The camp children joined the teens in our **HKFP Youth Farm Intern program** for a presentation from The Bee Conservancy and an opportunity to explore Metro's own rooftop beehives.

Special thanks to Metro teens - Liam O'Brien, Hudson & Ada Henkel - who assisted as Junior Counselors for CLUE Camp last week. And next week marks the final week of camp, which will be led by our beloved longtime partners at Tabernacle Baptist Church of Richmond, VA. What a wonderful summer of learning, serving and community it continues to be!



Hell's Kitchen Farm Project CSA

Get weeks of fresh vegetables by joining our CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program. *Weekly deliveries have started but there is still room for you to join!* Prices and more details can be found at www.hkfp.org/csa.



Metro Grief Support Group

Led by Dr. Karissa Thacker

First Session: Monday, August 18 at 6:30 PM

Second Session: Monday, September 15 at 6:30 PM

Starting in August, Metro will be offering a monthly grief support gathering via Zoom which will be led by Metro family member, Dr. Karissa Thacker. Whether you have experienced recent loss, are coping with long term grief, or simply navigating general sorrow in these trying times, you are invited to join Metro's monthly grief support group. For more information, contact Pastor Jana at jdye@mbcnyc.org.



Annual Giving Monthly Update

As part of our renewed efforts in stewardship education and transparency, the MBC trustees would like to begin giving monthly status updates on general offerings for the year as compared to our 2025 Budget. For more questions regarding stewardship, please feel free to reach out to Metro Trustee Sara Day (saraday468@gmail.com).

General offerings through end of June 2025: \$118,740.00

Total Amount Budgeted for 2025: \$230,000.00

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