



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.

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

August 3, 2025

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Jana Dye
Associate Pastor

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Laura Bergquist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Here we worship the God of Abundance.
Here we hear of God's goodness and love.
Here we are challenged to love and live as God's children.
Here we put our faith in action.
Here we see each other as God's children.
Here we eat at Christ's table.
Here we splash in the waters of baptism.
Here we sing praises and laments to our God.
Here we know we are loved.
Here we know we are loved.

PRAYER

Susan Rutter
Deacon

*HYMN

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

Chalice 73

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Congregation

** Please stand as you are able.*

*CHORAL RESPONSE "They'll Know We Are Christians"

We are one in the spi - rit we are one in the Lord, we are
We will walk with each o - ther we will walk hand in hand, we will
one walk in the spi - rit we are one walk in the Lord, and to -
walk with each o - ther we will walk hand in hand, and to -
ge - ther our u - ni - ty will one day be re - stored, and they'll
ge - ther we'll spread the news that God is in our land, and they'll
know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our
know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our
love. Yes, they'll know_ we are Chris-tians by our love.
love. Yes, they'll know_ we are Chris-tians by our love.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rosie Fernando-Rizzo



Welcome Survey

<https://forms.gle/XQuFx98vDEUvyHy>

COVENANT OF CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Tiffany Triplett Henkel

Pastor

OFFERTORY

"O Del Mio Amato Ben"

Alexandra Partridge, horn



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	Luke 12:13-21	Ronnie Adams
SERMON		Rev. Jana Dye
COMMUNION		Alen (Lenyangerla)
*HYMN	"Alleluia! Hear God's Story"	Chalice 330
CLOSING WORDS & BENEDICTION		Rev. Jana Dye
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 "Rich Fool Parable" by Bertram Poole, [Saatchi Art](#).

Prelude is by Carl G. Glaser (music). Arr. by Cindy Berry.

Call to Worship is a liturgy posted on [teaandtheology.com](#).

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" is by Frederick W. Faber (words) and Charles H. Webb (music).

"They'll Know We Are Christians" is by Peter Scholtes (words and music).

"O Del Mio Amato Ben" is by Stefano Donaudy (music).

"Alleluia! Hear God's Story" is by Mary Anne Parrott (words). Music is a Polish folk melody.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Youth Programing Week 4 Roundup



We had a great final week of **CLUE Camp** led by our summer staff and some wonderful helpers from longtime partner **Tabernacle Baptist in Richmond**. We delved into what it means to tell *our* stories as a community and as individuals and we partook in our favorite tradition of ending camp with a trip to Coney Island! It's been another great summer of Clue Camp programming and we are SO grateful for our staff and volunteers who helped to make it a success. And a special shout out to our summer staff- Lenyangerla, Ashton, and Alex, who did a fantastic job leading camp all summer long. We will miss all of you in the weeks to come!



Our **HKFP Youth Farm Intern program**, which will continue for another two weeks, continues to be an opportunity to both learn and serve. Our interns did some foraging in Inwood and their big question for their teaching time was “are farms part of nature?” They talked about different nature-based farming methods (organic, permaculture, regenerative) and how these are often ‘rebranded’ from indigenous practices that have been used for 1000s of years. We’re grateful to have such thoughtful and hardworking young people serving with us this summer.



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.



Home Café hosted by Susan Rutter

August 16, 10AM-3PM

Come to Deacon Susan's apartment for pastries/cakes and tea/coffee! Donations taken for RMM. No need for a firm RSVP, but to figure numbers and get the address please reach out to Susan at susan.rutter@picadon.co.uk. Note: the apartment is a 6th floor walk-up.



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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