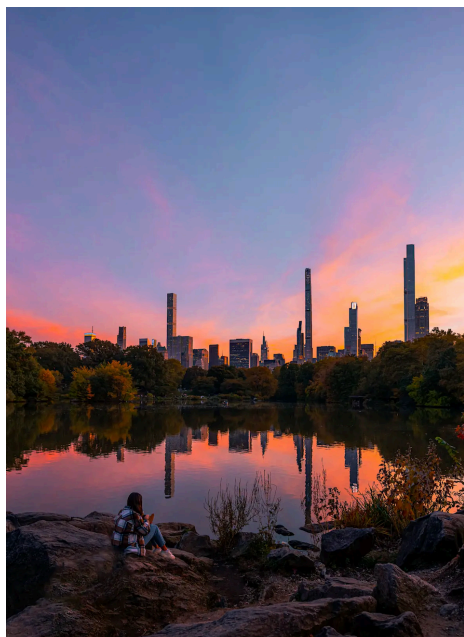




To all who are weary and need rest
To all who mourn and need comfort
To all who are lonely and need friendship
To all who are complacent and need disturbing
To all who sin and need a savior
To all who are glad and would serve
This church opens wide its doors.

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 21, 2025

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Jana Dye
Associate Pastor

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE

"Granen"

Caleb McCarroll

CALL TO WORSHIP

When we are surrounded on every side, wondering
which way is up and which way is down...

Help us, God.

When we question which way to go and
how to follow God's path for us...

Help us, God.

When we find our rest in God and long for others to
know the sweet peace of God's embrace...

Help us, God.

Today, as we gather for worship, may we come ready to
listen and discern God's help that meets us right where we are.

**Help us, God, to receive your help
and to extend your help to our neighbors.**

PRAYER

Cat Fernando-Rizzo
Deacon

*HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Chalice 22

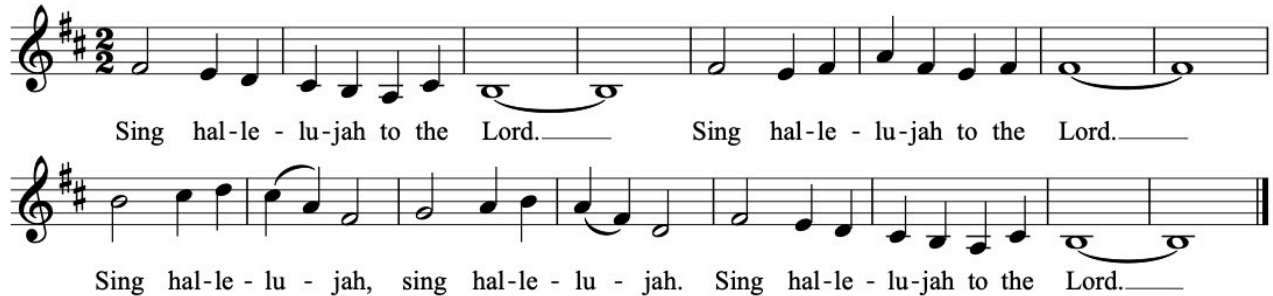
** Please stand as you are able.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Congregation

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"Sing Hallelujah"



LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Janice Olivierre



Welcome Survey

<https://forms.gle/XQuFx98vDEUvyHy>

COVENANT OF CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Tiffany Triplett Henkel

Pastor

OFFERTORY

Alan H. Green



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 & REFLECTION

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Rev. Jana Dye

Associate Pastor

*HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

Chalice 33

CLOSING WORDS & BENEDICTION

Rev. Jana Dye

Service Notes

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Postlude is Scriabin's No. 21 in B-Flat Major from Op. 11.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS**Metro-RMM Feasibility Study Survey**

Over the last few months, Metro and RMM have been working with [Partners for Sacred Places](#) to conduct a fundraising feasibility study to address the next phases of work needed for our building. Leadership from Partners for Sacred Places have met personally with some members of the Metro congregation and well as wider community members during this time, and now they are interested in getting some basic feedback from anyone who didn't do an interview over the last few months. **To share your feedback, please use the link or QR code to access a short survey:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/metrobaptist>

**9/11 Memorial Tour led by Christina Ray Stanton**

TODAY- Sunday, September 21, Immediately after worship

Metro community member Christina Stanton will be leading a Metro tour in honor of the 24th anniversary month of the September 11 attacks. She will offer her knowledge and experience as both a tour guide and a neighborhood survivor. She will lead all who want to join down to the World Trade Center after worship. The tour will last approximately 1 hour to 1 hour and 15 minutes. Reach out to Pastor Jana (jdye@mbcnyc.org) if you have any questions.

**RMM's 30 for 30 Online Campaign**

August marks the 30th anniversary of Rauschenbusch Metro Ministries, our church's social ministry non-profit that provides vital programs and services for approximately 15,000 individuals each year. To celebrate this milestone and help us build the foundation for another 30 years of serving hope, we are seeking to raise \$30,000 through [RMM's 30 for 30 Campaign](#). Scan QR code or follow link to make a dedicated contribution to RMM, and please share the campaign with your friends and wider network. Thank you for your support!



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 August 2025: \$178,233.00

Total Amount Budgeted for 2025: \$230,000.00

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