



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.

Third Sunday of Epiphany

January 19, 2025

OPENING WORDS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Rev. Jana Dye
Associate Pastor

PRELUDE

"Old Russian Waltz"

Nolan Bonvouloir
Jesse Warkentin

CALL TO WORSHIP

There are many God-given gifts, talents, and abilities present in this space.

We are diverse in our gifts but unified in Spirit.

There are a variety of things we can do to serve God and serve our communities.

But it is the same God and the same community that we all serve.

There are many activities we can do to serve God and each other:

teach, sing, clean, preach, play, work...

These are just some of the gifts and abilities God has granted us.

There are many manifestations of God's Spirit in the world.

It is impossible to list them all.

To say that one is better than another is foolish.

God sees all as sacred and valuable.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYER

Laura Bergquist
Deacon

HYMN

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Chalice 66

PASSING THE PEACE

Congregation

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Janice Ollivierre



Welcome Survey

<https://forms.gle/XQuFx98vDEUvyHyh>

COVENANT OF CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Tiffany Triplett Henkel

Pastor

OFFERTORY

“You Raise Me Up”

Piano Duet



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

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Jessica Tezen

Anaseini Katoa

SERMON

“Giving and Receiving”

Rev. Paula Nance

HYMN

“All Are Welcome Here”

(see insert)

CLOSING WORDS

Rev. Jana Dye

BENEDICTION

Rev. Paula Nance

POSTLUDE

“Pas Redoublé, Opus 86 for 4 Hands”

Nolan Bonvouloir

Jesse Warkentin

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.

"All Are Welcome Here"



With o - pen hearts and o - pen doors, ev - ery one be - longs here.
We seek to serve the soul in need: we are all God's child - ren.
5 As time goes on, may we be found: build - ing, serv - ing, dream - ing.
Laugh - ter lifts and grace a - bounds: We've found our sec - ond home. A
Clothes that are warm, a plate that's full, and a qui - et place to rest. With
9 Teach - ing, preach - ing, reach - ing out, to a world that needs God's love. Through
place that's safe, a place that's filled with gen - er - os - i - ty.
heal - ing and hope for ev - ery heart: this our dai - ly prayer.
13 joy and sor - row, come what may, year af - ter year.
Through God's faith - ful bound - less love, we strive for un - i - ty.
When we have done all we can do, God's grace will meet us there.
May our cit - y al - ways know that all are wel - come here.

Service Notes

The cover art is "Deep Roots" by [Cedar Lee](#).

Prelude is composed for 4-Hand piano by Lena Orsa.

Call to Worship was adapted from a liturgy written by Erik Alsgaard, posted on [ministrymatters.com](#).

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise": Words by Walter Chambers Smith. Music from a Welsh folk melody.

"You Raise Me Up": Written by Brendan Graham and Rolf Lovland. Piano arrangement by Ian Wei.

"All Are Welcome Here": Written by Jesse Warkentin and Shannah Rae Cummings.

Postlude is composed by Camille Saint-Saens, piano arrangement by Mike Magatagan.

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TODAY'S PREACHER

Paula Nance is a long-time member of Metro and was the Associate Pastor from 1999-2001. She is an actor, aunt, care-giver, English teacher, minister, music-lover, preacher, reader, theatre-patron, and writer (she says in alphabetical order). Originally from North Carolina and a resident of NYC for 26 years, Paula currently spends most of her time in rural NC with her Mom. She is grateful to be a member of the Metro family.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Winter Clothing Closet

Mondays (November - March)

Distribution: 10:15-11:30 AM | Volunteer Needs: 9:30 AM-12:30 PM

RMM's Winter Clothing Closet is open and we need YOUR HELP during these coldest months.

CLOTHING DONATIONS: We are in great need of the following new or gently used clothing items for adults: heavy winter coats, sweatshirts/sweaters, joggers/jeans, t-shirts, hats, gloves, scarves and underwear. You can drop off donations here at Metro. To see a full list of clothing needs and links where you might purchase specific items, visit <https://rmmnyc.org/programs/winter-clothing-closet>

VOLUNTEERS: Each Monday, we will be in need of 15-20 volunteers to help distribute clothing to those in need. You can sign up for one or more volunteer opportunities by scanning QR above.



Virtual Midweek Gathering

Wednesday, January 22 at 7:00 PM Eastern

We will continue to host monthly online midweek gatherings in 2025. Metro community members (as well as guests) near and far are invited each month for these times of study, discussion, prayer and connection. Our first gathering of the year will be **Wednesday, January 22** which will be an Epiphany-themed discussion time **led by Pastor Jana**. Link will be sent out week of gathering. See you there!



Metro's 1st Quarterly Church Conference for 2025

Sunday, February 9 following morning worship

Please plan to join Metro's congregational meeting on February 9 following worship at 11:00 AM Eastern. The primary agenda will be to approve the 2025 budget. Full agenda and supporting documents will be sent out closer to the meeting date.

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