



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 after Pentecost

June 7, 2026

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Jana Dye
Pastor

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE

“Monet’s Garden”

Jesse Warkentin

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are called to be people of faith in the midst of the world,
and so we mix our worship and our work, our faith, and our life.
We gather here as people who live in the world and yet,
**we gather as people who have been called
to see the world from multiple viewpoints.**
God has called us together,
God has called us to be part of a community.
**God challenges us to consider important questions
as we engage with the world.**
Thanks be to God.

PRAYER

Julia O’Brien

*HYMN

“How Firm a Foundation”

Chalice 618

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Congregation

** Please stand as you are able.*

*RESPONSE

"Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart. Give thanks to the Ho-ly One.. Give
 thanks— be-cause God's gi-ven— Je-sus Christ the— Son. Give Son. And
 now let the weak say, "I am strong." Let the poor say, "I am rich" be-cause of
 what the Lord has done for— us. And us. Give thanks.

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

"If the Morning Never Comes"

Grace Cai



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

Genesis 12:1-9
Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Gillian Matherly

SERMON

“Faith Stories”

Rev. Paula Nance

*HYMN

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Lift ev - ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en ring, ring with the
God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, thou who hast
har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty; let our re - joic - ing rise high as the
brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us in -
lis - tening skies, let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
to the light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us; fac - ing the
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ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun, let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.

CLOSING WORDS

Rev. Jana Dye

BENEDICTION

Rev. Paula Nance

POSTLUDE

Jesse Warkentin

Service Notes

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome , Summer Intern Gillian Matherly!

We're so excited to have Gillian serving with us for all of June and July! Here's a little introduction from Gillian written to our Metro Community:

“Hi! My name is Gillian Matherly, and I am a rising 3rd year at the University of Virginia. I am studying Politics and Government, with a concentration in Public Policy, and am on the pre-law track. I am from Waynesboro, Virginia, in the heart of the Shenandoah Valley. I am thrilled to be able to spend my summer with Metro and learn about the incredible work being done across its programs. I look forward to being immersed in the Metro community and building relationships with those that make Metro such a special place.”



Congregational Picnic

Sunday, June 14, after worship

Sheep Meadow, Central Park

Join us for our annual church picnic to kick off the summer season. Immediately after worship, we will head to the *northwest corner* of [Sheep Meadow](#) in Central Park for a time of outdoor fellowship. Plan to bring a chair and/or blanket, and a few drinks and snacks to share. All are welcome. We hope to see you there!



Self-Compassion as an Act of Spiritual Resistance

[Zoom](#)-Only Gathering, Tuesday, June 23 at 8pm

We are launching a new monthly gathering series in June led by the Metro Deacons and Pastors. Deacon Cat Fernando-Rizzo will lead us in the first gathering and will walk us through some self-compassion focused exercises. Each month, we hope to identify areas we can be more compassionate with ourselves and, in turn, the world around us. As our world wants to deprioritize empathy and gentleness, we, as people of faith, see self-compassion as the ultimate form of spiritual resistance. We're excited for this new offering. As always, all are welcome!



Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)

Wednesday Pick Ups (4:30-7:30 PM) | June 17 - October 28, 2026

Are you interested in getting more fresh vegetables into your diet and supporting local efforts to build a more just and equitable food system? Join the CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) to receive fresh produce for 22 weeks starting in late May, to be picked up every week at Metro. Full, half, and subsidized shares are available. You can also sign up for 10 weeks of fresh flowers! To learn more or to sign up, visit www.hkfp.org/csa.



METRO SKILLS AND TALENTS SURVEY

Metro Skills and Talents Survey

Have you ever wanted to be more involved in volunteering for our different ministries but weren't sure where your skills and passions were most needed? Metro Deacons and Pastors have created a survey so we can get to know you better and pair you up with the projects and ministries that make you feel most alive! Use the QR code and let us know what you're most passionate about.



Let's Celebrate our Metro June Birthdays!

We're sending a huge Happy Birthday to all those in our beloved community who are celebrating another year of life this month!!

- Eliza Richardson - June 12
- Ioan O'Brien - June 13
- Susan Rutter - June 13

Have a birthday in May but don't see your name above? Click [here](#) to add your birthday information or reach out to one of your Pastors so we can celebrate you as well!



Annual Giving Monthly Update

Thank you for supporting the ministry and work of Metro Baptist Church through your tithes and offerings. For more questions regarding our stewardship efforts & focus, please feel free to reach out to Metro Trustee Sara Day (saraday468@gmail.com).

General offerings as of April 2026: \$64,478.87

Total Amount Budgeted for 2026: \$270,000.00

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