

**NEW LIFE METROPOLITAN  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**

10:45 a.m. February 14, 2021  
Transfiguration Sunday

**MORNING WORSHIP**

**Rev. Mark Byrd**

**Bread, Bath, & Beyond (believing)**

*Celebrating & Claiming God's Presence & Promises*

Part 7:

*"Is Love Like a Two-Shot Vaccine?"*

**GATHERING CALL**

1 John 4  
(selected verses)

Dear friends, let us love one another...

**For love comes from God.**

*(Porque el amor viene de Dios.)*

Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God...

**Because God is love.** *(Porque Dios es amor.)*

This is how God showed love among us: By sending God's one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

**Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.**

*(Queridos amigos, puesto que Dios nos amó tanto, también nosotros debemos amarnos unos a otros.)*

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment...

**To be in this world like Jesus.**

*(estar en este mundo como Jesús.)*

**Mark 9:2-9**

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) **Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love dearly. Listen to him!"** Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Mark 12:28-34**

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" "The most important one," Jesus answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. **Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.**' The second is this: '**Love your neighbor as yourself.**' There is no commandment greater than these." "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but God. To love God with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

**1 John 4:18-21**

There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because God first loved us. Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. And the Lord has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**One:** *The Lord is with you!*

**All:** *And also with you!*

**One:** *Lift up your hearts!*

**All:** *We lift them up to the Lord!*

**One:** *Let us give thanks to the Lord!*

**All:** *It is right to give God thanks and praise!*

**All:** *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest!*

*Blessed is the One Who comes in the Name of  
The Lord!*

*Hosanna in the highest!*

*Proclamation of our faith:*

**All:** *Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ shall come again.*

*Hallelujah!*

## **NLMCC Song Sheet**

Sunday, February 14, 2021

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### **OPENING CELEBRATION**

#### **Come Now Is the Time to Worship**

V: Come now is the time to worship,  
Come now is the time to give your  
heart, Come just as you are to  
worship, Come just as you are before  
your God, Come

C: One day every tongue, Will  
confess You are God, One day every  
knee will bow, Still the greatest  
treasure remains, For those who  
gladly choose You now

E: Come come just as you are come  
come

### **GATHERING CALL**

Choral Response:

#### **Shout to the Lord**

V: My Jesus my Saviour, Lord there  
is none like You, All of my days I want  
to praise, The wonders of Your  
mighty love, My comfort my shelter,  
Tower of refuge and strength, Let  
every breath all that I am, Never  
cease to worship You

C: Shout to the Lord, All the earth let  
us sing, Power and majesty, Praise to  
the King, Mountains bow down, And  
the seas will roar, At the sound of  
Your name, I sing for joy, At the work  
of Your hands, Forever I'll love You,  
Forever I'll stand, Nothing compares  
to the promise, I have in You

### **WELCOME**

### **LIFTING OUR VOICES IN SONG, PRAYER, & SCRIPTURE**

#### **Lift Every Voice And Sing**

V1: Lift ev'ry voice and sing, Till earth  
and heaven ring, Ring with the  
harmonies of liberty. Let our rejoicing  
rise, High as the list'ning skies, Let it  
resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing  
a song full of the faith, That the dark  
past has taught us. Sing a song full of  
the hope, That the present has  
brought us. Facing the rising sun Of  
our new day begun; Let us march on  
till victory is won.

V2: Stony the road we trod, Bitter the  
chast'ning rod, Felt in the days when  
hope unborn had died. Yet with a  
steady beat, Have not our weary feet,  
Come to the place for which our  
people sighed. We have come over a  
way, That with tears has been  
watered. We have come treading our  
path, Through the blood of the  
slaughtered. Out from the gloomy  
past, Till now we stand at last, Where  
the bright gleam of our bright star is  
cast.

**Words of Scripture** Mark 9:2-9

Choral Response:

#### **Sweet, Sweet Spirit**

V1: There's a sweet sweet Spirit in  
this place, And I know that it's the  
Spirit of the Lord, There are sweet  
expressions on each face, And I  
know they feel the presence of the  
Lord

C: Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly  
Dove, Stay right here with us, Filling  
us with Your love, And for these  
blessings, We lift our hearts in praise,  
Without a doubt we'll know, That we  
have been revived, When we shall  
leave this place

V2: There are blessings you cannot  
receive, Till you know Him in His  
fullness and believe, You're the one  
to profit when you say, I am going to  
walk with Jesus all the way

**Words of Scripture** 1 John 4:18-21

Choral Response:

#### **Be Thou My Valentine**

V1: Be Thou my Valentine, O Lord of  
my heart, Naught be all else to me,  
Save that Thou art, Thou my best  
thought, By day or by night, Waking  
or sleeping, Thy presence my light  
V2: Be Thou my wisdom, Be Thou my  
true Word, I ever with Thee, And  
Thou with me Lord, Thou my great  
Creator, I Thy true one, Thou in me  
dwelling, And I with Thee one  
V3: Riches I heed not, Neither empty  
praise, Thou mine inheritance, Now  
and always, Thou and Thou only, Be

first in my heart, High King of heaven,  
My treasure Thou art

#### **Be Thou My Valentine**

\*\*alternate lyrics from *Gifts In Open  
Hands*, Maren C. Tirabassi

Be Thou my Valentine, fill me with  
love. Help me to reach out with bare  
hand not glove to each of your  
children – the far and the near – the  
ones filled with laughter, and the ones  
bright with tears.

Thank you for moments of gentle  
romance. Thank you for passion that  
makes our hearts dance. Thank you  
for giving spouse, partner and friend,  
your promise in grieving that the love  
never ends.

Praise to the God of brash Solomon's  
Song, Shepherd of those who don't  
think they belong, Ring of sweet joy  
around all who engage, and Guide in  
divorces for those turning the page.

Be Thou my Valentine, teach me to  
tell all of your children who sit by dry  
wells — your Water is Living, you are  
the true Vine, and, when there's a  
party – You're the One with the wine!

### **Praying Together**

Choral Response: **I Love the Lord**

C1: I love the Lord who heard my cry,  
And pitied every groan, Long as I live  
and troubles rise, I'll hasten to God's  
throne

### **OFFERTORY**

#### **O, How I Love Jesus**

V1: There is a name I love to hear, I  
love to sing its worth, It sounds like  
music in my ear, The sweetest name  
on earth

C: O how I love Jesus, O how I love  
Jesus, O how I love Jesus, Because  
He first loved me

V2: It tells of One whose loving heart,  
Can feel my deepest woe, Who in  
each sorrow bears a part, That none  
can bear below

*Congregational Response: Doxology*

## MORNING MESSAGE

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Communion Meditation:

### ***I Give Thanks***

*Lyrics by Charlie Simon*

*Music by Brenna Miller*

I give thanks to you O Lord With my whole heart I will sing your praise. I bow before your holy temple, As I worship I will praise your name. Your unfailing love and faithfulness, I worship and I praise your name.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** - unison

### CLOSING SONG

#### ***The Jesus in Me***

V1: The Jesus in me loves the Jesus in you, the Jesus in me loves the Jesus in you, so easy, so easy, so easy, so easy to love.

V2: El Jesus en mi alma el Jesus en ti, El Jesus en mi alma el Jesus en ti, tan facil, tan facil, tan facil, tan facil amor.

## BENEDICTION

Choral Response:

### ***This Little Light of Mine***

V1: This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3xs), Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

V2: Love is in my heart, I'm gonna let it shine...

V3: Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine...

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OUR MISSION:

***We are an inclusive, diverse, Christ-centered church, in which you have the freedom to be who you are, participate in community, explore spiritual transformation, and be part of social action.***

OUR VISION:

*We Are...*

**ORDINARY PEOPLE**

*Somos...*

**PERSONAS REGULAR**

*Believing...*

**GOD'S LOVE IS FOR ALL**

*Creemos...*

**EL AMOR DE DIOS ES PARA TODOS**

*Called To...*

**REVEAL GOD'S PRESENCE IN EVERYONE**

*Llamados...*

**A REVELAR PRESENCIA DE DIOS EN TODO Y TODO**