

**NEW LIFE METROPOLITAN  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**

10:45 a.m.

**MORNING WORSHIP**

July 19, 2020

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**Weeds & Seeds**

**GATHERING CALL**

Ps. 118:5 Ps. 116:2-6 Habakkuk 3:17-19 Ps. 118:17

In tight circumstances, I cried out to the Lord. **The Lord answered me with wide-open spaces.**

*El Señor me respondió con espacios abiertos.*

**I'll call out to him as long as I live, because he listens closely to me.** Le llamaré mientras viva, porque me escucha atentamente.

Death's ropes bound me; the distress of the grave found me—I came face-to-face with trouble and grief. So I called on the Lord's name: "Lord, please save me!"

**The Lord is merciful and righteous; our God is compassionate...** *El Señor es misericordioso y justo; nuestro Dios es compasivo...*

The Lord protects simple folk; he saves me whenever I am brought down.

Though the fig tree doesn't bloom, and there's no produce on the vine; though the olive crop withers, and the fields don't provide food; though the sheep are cut off from the pen, and there are no cattle in the stalls;

**I will rejoice in the Lord. I will rejoice in the God of my deliverance. The Lord God is my strength...**

*Me regocijaré en el Señor. Me regocijaré en el Dios de mi liberación. El Señor Dios es mi fuerza...*

**I will live and not die, and I will tell what the Lord has done.** *Viviré y no moriré, y diré lo que el Señor ha hecho.*

**John 20:15**

He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" *Thinking he was the gardener*, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

**John 15** (selected verses)

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener..."

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing... This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.

**Matthew 13** (selected verses)

Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. Then he told them many things in parables, saying: "A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. Whoever has ears, let them hear."

Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. "The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?' "An enemy did this,' he replied. "The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' "No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest..."

**Galatians 5:22-26**

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

*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 TODA**

## NLMCC Song Sheet

Sunday, July 19, 2020

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### OPENING CELEBRATION

**This Is the Day**, this is the day,  
That the Lord has made, that the Lord  
has made. I will rejoice, I will rejoice,  
And be glad in it, glad in it. This is the  
day that the Lord has made. I will  
rejoice and be glad in it. This is the  
day, this is the day, That the Lord has  
made.

### GATHERING CALL

*Choral Response:*

**We Have Come into His House**,  
And gathered in His name To worship  
Him. (REPEAT) We have come into  
His house And gathered in His name  
To worship Christ the Lord. Worship  
Him, Christ the Lord.

V2: Let's forget about ourselves And  
magnify His name And worship Him.  
(REPEAT) Let's forget about  
ourselves And magnify His name And  
worship Christ the Lord. Worship  
Him, Christ the Lord.

### WELCOME

### LIFTING OUR VOICES IN SCRIPTURE & SONG

*John 15*  
(selected verses)

**I Am the Vine**, and you are the  
branches, Bear precious fruit for  
Jesus today; The branch that in me  
no fruit ever beareth, Jesus hath said,  
"He taketh away."

R: I am the vine, and you are the  
branches, I am the vine, be faithful  
and true; Ask what you will, your  
prayer shall be granted; Creator loved  
me, so I have loved you.

V2: Now you are clean, through  
words I have spoken, Abiding in me,  
much fruit you shall bear; Dwelling in  
you, my promise unbroken, Glory in  
heaven with me you shall share. [R]

V3: Yes, by your fruits the world is to  
know you, Walking in love as children  
of day; Follow your Guide, he passed  
on before you, Leading to realms of  
glorious day. [R]

### OUR PRAYERS TOGETHER

*Choral Response:*

#### **You Are My All In All**

You are my strength when I am weak,  
You are the treasure that I seek, You  
are my all in all, Seeking You as a  
precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be  
a fool, You are my all in all.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,  
Rising again I bless Your name, You  
are my all in all, When I fall down You  
pick me up, When I am dry You fill my  
cup, You are my all in all

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your  
name, Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is  
Your name.

#### **OFFERTORY My Tribute**

V: How can I say thanks for the things  
You have done for me – Things so  
undeserved, Yet You give to prove  
Your love for me? The voices of a  
million angels Could not express my  
gratitude – All that I am and ever  
hope to be, I owe it all to Thee.

C: To God be the glory, To God be  
the glory, To God be the glory For the  
things He has done! With His blood  
He has saved me, With His pow'r He  
has raised me – To God be the glory  
For the things He has done!

B: Just let me live my life – Let it be  
pleasing, Lord to Thee: And should I  
gain any praise, Let it go to Calvary

E: With His blood He has saved me,  
With His pow'r He has raised me – To  
God be the glory For the things He  
has done!

*Congregational Response:*  
**Doxology**

### MORNING MESSAGE

#### **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!**

*Communion Meditation:*

#### **Hymn of Promise**

V1: In the bulb, there is a flower, In  
the seed, an apple tree, In cocoons, a  
hidden promise, Butterflies will soon  
be free, In the cold and snow of  
winter, There's a spring that waits to  
be, Unrevealed until its season,  
Something God alone can see

V2: There's a song in every silence,  
Seeking word and melody, There's a  
dawn in every darkness, Bringing  
hope to you and me, From the past  
will come the future, What it holds, a  
mystery, Unrevealed until its season,  
Something God alone can see

V3: In our end is our beginning, In our  
time, infinity, In our doubt, there is  
believing, In our life, eternity, In our  
death, a resurrection, At the last, a  
victory, Unrevealed until its season,  
Something God alone can see

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER - unison**

### CLOSING SONG

#### **God Will Take Care of You**

V1: Be not dismayed what e'er be  
tide; God will take care of you.  
Beneath His Wings of love abide;  
God will take care of you.

R: God will take care of you, Through  
every day, o'er all the way, He will  
take care of you, God will take care of  
you.

V3: Through days of toil when heart  
doth fail; God will take care of you.  
When dangers fierce your path assail;  
God will take care of you. [R]

**BENEDICTION** *Choral Response:*  
**I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me** (3xs)  
Singing glory hallelujah Jesus lifted  
me

V2: I was lost in sin Jesus rescued  
me...

V3: When I was in trouble Jesus set  
me free...