

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA

November 5, 2023

Spirit, Community, Action – Inside & “Out”

Celebrating 42 Years of Being Out in Northern Virginia

There is a book at the Sanctuary entry where prayer requests may be entered. There is also a Square device at the entry of the Sanctuary if you would like to make your Offering Donation via credit card.

Like Life, The Order of Worship is Subject to Change

Gathering Music

Jorge Martinez

Welcome & Announcements

Kurt Jaeger

Centering

At the sound of the singing bowl,
please take a few moments to prepare yourself for our worship together

Illumination

Tee

Gathering Words ~ *Anonymous*

Jamie Wallace

One: May we be inspired to bring our gifts of love to the altar of service.

**Many: May the offerings of our talents and skills encourage each of us to look within
as we face crisis, challenge, and opportunity.**

One: May we reflect on all that we have as blessings,
things seen and unseen, known and unknown, hidden and revealed;

Many: Blessings in each one of us,

One: For there is so much more to each of us than meets the eye.

**Many: Let us be grateful for all of these gifts, in ourselves and others,
as we join our hearts together in celebration, praise, and worship
of the One God who made us all!**

Prayers of the Community

Starlene Keppel

First Reading ~ *Psalm 34:1-4*

Leigh Anne Arnold

I will bless YHWH always;
praise will continually be on my lips!
My soul will boast about YHWH--
let the oppressed hear it and be glad!
Glorify YHWH with me,
and let us exalt God's Name together!
I sought YHWH, who answered me
and freed me from my fears.

Second Reading ~ Revelation 7:9-12

After that, I saw before me an immense crowd without any number, from every nation, tribe, people and language. They stood in front of the throne and the Lamb, dressed in long white robes and holding palm branches. And they cried in a loud voice,

*Salvation is of our God,
who sits on the throne,
and of the lamb.*

Song of Response

Reflection

Thanks Giving
Giving All
Rev. Lori McPherson

Community Dialogue

Offering Invitation

Why I Give

Kurt Jaeger

Offertory

We Are An Offering
by Dwight Liles

MCC NoVA Choir

❧ Welcome To The Table! ❧

Rev. Lori McPherson
Invitation To The Table

Consecration & Words of Institution

Sharing The Open Meal of Christ

Time of Individual Prayer and Blessing

Community Blessing ~ Kurt Jaeger

Closing Song

Benediction and Sending Forth

Rev. Lori McPherson

Postlude

❧ Go in Peace ❧