

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA

October 12, 2025

*Spirit, Community, Action – Inside & “Out”
Celebrating 44 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 Sanctuary entry if you would like to make your Offering Donation via credit card.

Like Life, The Order of Worship is Subject to Change Without Notice

Gathering Music

Jorge Martinez

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Emma Chattin

Centering

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

Illumination

Tee

Gathering Words ~ *attributed to St. Francis of Assisi*

Fab Fernandez

One: Where hate rules, let us bring love.

Many: Let us strive more to comfort others than to be comforted;

One: More to understand others than to be understood;

ALL: To love others more than to be loved

Prayers of the Community

Starlene Keppel

First Reading ~ *Luke 10:25-37*

Margot Scheiffley

An expert on the Law stood up to put Jesus to the test and said, “Teacher, what must I do to inherit everlasting life?” Jesus answered, “What is written in the law? How do you read it?” The expert on the Law replied: “You must love the Most High God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and you must love your neighbor as yourself.” Jesus said, “You have answered correctly. Do this and you’ll live.” But the expert on the Law, determined to justify himself, pressed Jesus further: “And just who is my neighbor?”

Jesus replied, “There was a traveler going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, who fell prey to robbers. The traveler was beaten, stripped naked, and left half-dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road; the priest saw the traveler lying beside the road, but passed by on the other side. Likewise there was a Levite who came the same way; this one, too, saw the afflicted traveler and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, who was taking the same road, also came upon the traveler and, filled with compassion, approached the traveler and dressed the wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then the Samaritan put the wounded person on a donkey, went straight to an inn and there took care of the injured one. The next day the Samaritan took out two silver pieces and gave them to the innkeeper with the request, ‘Look after this person, and if there is any further expense, I’ll repay you on the way back.’ Which of these three, in your opinion, was the neighbor to the traveler who fell among the robbers?” The answer came, “The one who showed compassion.”

Jesus replied, “Then go and do likewise.”

Second Reading	Insert	Kurt Jaeger
Response	When Our Heart Is In A Holy Place	Insert
Reflection	HARVEST LOVE : Life Depends On It	
Community Dialogue		Rev. Emma Chattin
Offering Invitation		Lee Shadwick
Offertory	We Are An Offering by Dwight Liles	MCC NoVA Choir

❧ Welcome To The Table! ❧

Kurt Jaeger & Ken Williamson
Sung Words of Institution:

"Let Us Be Bread"
By Thomas J. Porter

The Leader will sing the verses. Please join together on the refrain:

***Let us be bread, blessed by our God, broken and shared, life for the world.
Let us be wine, love freely poured. Let us be one in our God.***

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Invitation to the Table

Sharing The Open Meal of Christ

Community Blessing Kurt Jaeger

Closing Song	This Little Light	No. 524
Benediction and Sending Forth		Rev. Emma Chattin
Postlude		

❧ Go in Peace ❧