

# Welcome!

## We are glad you chose to worship with us today!

If you would like to know more about New City Fellowship, stop by the Info Desk to ask questions, learn about our ministries, or fill out a visitor card. **If you'd like to be added to our weekly email contact Kathryn Cavin: [kcavin@ncfstl.org](mailto:kcavin@ncfstl.org)**

## Our Mission

New City Fellowship exists to seek the establishment of God's kingdom rule in the lives of people from every ethnic group by discipling the nations in the reconciling Gospel of Jesus Christ through a clear proclamation of salvation by grace through faith in Christ alone and by doing Spirit-led deeds of justice and mercy.



New City Fellowship  
2022



**House Church Ministry**  
All House Churches meet on the 1st and 3rd of the month. We are currently looking for new members. If you are interested in starting a house church, please contact Jim Ward at [jward@ncfstl.org](mailto:jward@ncfstl.org).  
• House Churches are small groups of Christians who meet together to worship, pray, and study the Bible.  
• House Churches are a primary way of discipling the nations.  
• House Churches are a key part of our mission to reach the world.  
• House Churches are a great way to grow in your faith and to serve others.  
• House Churches are a great way to build relationships and to support one another.  
• House Churches are a great way to live out the Great Commission.

**Get Connected!** Become part of a house church to know the joy of walking with each other through the ups and downs of life. **House churches are where the primary care for the body takes place.** Groups meet on different nights of the week in different locations around the city. Pick up a copy of the **HOUSE CHURCH BROCHURE** in the foyer for meeting times and locations, or contact Jim Ward for more information: [jward@ncfstl.org](mailto:jward@ncfstl.org), 314-726-2302 x257.

**Worship Service and Livestream at 10:30 am**  
**Francophone service at 10:30 am in the Auditorium**  
**Adult Ed Classes at 9 am**

**Church Office:** \_\_\_\_\_ 1142 Hodiamont Ave, 63112; 314-726-2302  
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**Weekly church email:** \_\_\_\_\_ send email address to [kcavin@ncfstl.org](mailto:kcavin@ncfstl.org)  
**For a copy of the church directory:** \_\_\_\_\_ [kcavin@ncfstl.org](mailto:kcavin@ncfstl.org)



Please reserve the parking lot behind the gym for those in our congregation that have a physical need for accessible parking close to the building. Able-bodied people may also park at the school across the street.

## Baptisms

If you are interested in scheduling a baptism or to arrange to meet with a pastor contact Kathryn Cavin: [kcavin@ncfstl.org](mailto:kcavin@ncfstl.org)



# Sermon Text

## John 1:19-34

<sup>19</sup> And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" <sup>20</sup> He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." <sup>21</sup> And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." <sup>22</sup> So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" <sup>23</sup> He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said." <sup>24</sup> (Now they had been sent from the Pharisees.) <sup>25</sup> They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" <sup>26</sup> John answered them, "I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, <sup>27</sup> even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." <sup>28</sup> These things took place in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing. <sup>29</sup> The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup> And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup> And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

## Congregational Care

We want to be intentional about meeting the needs of our congregation. If you have a need which prohibits you from participating in any aspect of worship or other church activity, **contact Tony Thompkins: [tony@ncfstl.org](mailto:tony@ncfstl.org)**

**If you are in need of prayer, send requests to [ucprayer@ncfstl.org](mailto:ucprayer@ncfstl.org)** and specify whether you would like it to be prayed for publicly in the Friday email or privately.

If you are struggling to have enough food, to pay your bills, or make financial decisions, please don't struggle alone. If you belong to a house church, share your need with your HC leader. If you don't belong to a house church, **reach out to any deacon or email: [ucdeacons@ncfstl.org](mailto:ucdeacons@ncfstl.org)**

## Restore St. Louis

Jesus tutors children, teaches them how to work as teenagers, heals them when they are sick, and visits them if they go to jail; he feeds them, and he cares for them when they get old. Jesus is doing all these things through his people through the ministries of Restore St. Louis--the outreach arm of New City Fellowship. We would love to show you what the Lord is doing through us and share ways you can get involved. Scan the QR code to email Andrew Stern!



Workday  
Health Connection  
The Freedom School  
Firm Foundation Tutoring  
Harambee Youth Training  
Umetulisha Food Program  
Inside Out Prison Ministry



# New City Fellowship

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My God Is Good Oh

## Call to Worship: Hebrews 10:19-22 (ESV)

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Jesus My Great High Priest

Awesome

King Of Glory

## Prayer and The Apostles' Creed

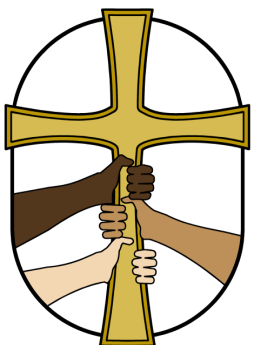
Order My Steps

## Offering and Announcements

## Sermon: Noel Sengele

Who You Say I Am

## The Lord's Supper



# What's Happening At New City Fellowship...

## Church Prayer Meeting: January 24th

NCF will be holding a church prayer meeting on Wednesday, November 24 from 7-8pm in the cafeteria. We hope to see you there!

**RSVP to Bea Adiputra, [badiputra@ncfstl.org](mailto:badiputra@ncfstl.org) by Sunday, Jan. 22 if you need childcare. Childcare will only be provided if you have RSVPed by Sunday or before.**

## Free Tax Service

The Metro St. Louis Community Tax Coalition is offering free tax filing at our church office: 1142 Hodiadmont Ave. This is for anyone in the community who needs assistance filing their taxes. Appointments are required. The dates are Saturdays from 9am-noon on:

January 27

February 3, 10, 24

March 9, 23, 30

April 6

**To sign up call 314-502-9185 after Jan. 16th or use the QR code.**

## The Freedom School Job Opening

The Freedom School is a mission school seeking to provide Christian education to all who desire it, without concern for cost. Our goal is to shine the light of Christ into the dark corners of our city to bring hope to families and their children who are ill served and marginalized. We are looking for a **full time preschool teacher for our 4 year old class**, 7:30 am to 3:30 pm on schooldays. This position needs to be filled **immediately**, with the hopes that the teacher will continue through May. Pay is negotiable based upon experience. Benefits available.

**If you are interested, please contact Angie Yarbrough at [ayarbrough@tfsstl.org](mailto:ayarbrough@tfsstl.org)**

## Job Opening: Assistant Director of Workday Ministry

Workday is inviting applicants for the position of Assistant Director. The Assistant Director will be responsible for recruiting and coordinating volunteer teams to implement construction projects for the ministry. The Assistant Director will aid with management of interns and budget management. Experience in construction management along with strong written and verbal communication skills are required. Experience in a nonprofit and/or ministry setting is preferred. This is a full-time position. More information can be found at [www.workdaystl.org](http://www.workdaystl.org). Restore St. Louis seeks to hire individuals who represent the communities in which we serve.

**To apply please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to Molin Ray, Workday Director at [Mray@ncfstl.org](mailto:Mray@ncfstl.org)**

## Thank You For Your Generosity In 2023!

Tax contribution letters will be mailed by the end of the month. To ensure the deductibility of your contributions made in 2023, please do not file your income tax return until you have received your written acknowledgement of contributions from NCF and Restore St. Louis. If you have moved in the last year and have not let the church office know, please email Jo Anne DuCharme with your new address.

**For more information contact Jo Anne DuCharme at [jducharme@ncfstl.org](mailto:jducharme@ncfstl.org), 314-726-2302 x261**

## Black History Month Celebration: Save the Date

Please reserve February 24th, 5PM for the All Site New City Fellowship Black History Month Celebration. We will celebrate how God has moved in history to preserve African Americans. It will be held at the U-City site: 1483 82nd Blvd., Saint Louis MO, 63132. See you there!

## Want to Impact One Child This Year?

Firm Foundation Tutoring, a ministry of New City Fellowship/Restore St. Louis, is looking for volunteer tutors to work one-on-one with the same student one evening a week for approximately 15 weeks between mid-January and early May. Tutors choose the time and place (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday at the West End or South City location) and receive training. To sign up, use the QR code.



**For more information, contact Kristen Flores at [kristen@ncfstl.org](mailto:kristen@ncfstl.org) or 314.278.6960**

## Prayer Corner

This section of the bulletin is for the purpose of communicating congregational prayer needs and to ask you to keep this list with you throughout the week ahead in order to pray for these things.

God wants us to take time to ask, seek and knock so that He can give, help us find, and open doors for us! So please, let's join in prayer together this week!

- The search for a new pastor and the Pastoral Search Committee
- Guidance and blessing from the Lord about youth ministry and children's ministry and finding the right leaders for those ministries
- The Lord's blessing on, and work among us in this interim period

# Infants, Kids & Teens

## Wiggle room

The Wiggle Room is located in the Northwest corner of the gym and is a multipurpose space for various New City families and ministries. Families are welcome to use the play area during the service for babies and little wigglers. We ask that you clean up when you leave, and please do not leave your children unattended. Additionally, a special room is available for nursing moms up the stairs in the foyer and to the far end of the hallway as you turn left. There is a speaker to allow you to listen to the sermon, as well as complimentary snacks and water.

**For more information contact Bea Adiputra: [badiputra@ncfstl.org](mailto:badiputra@ncfstl.org)**

## baby & preschool

During the church service sermon time, we provide care, Bible teaching, and songs for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers in the nursery rooms up the stairs by the foyer. During the break in the worship service, parents can sign in their children at the desk in front of the nursery and sign them out after communion. Contact Bea Adiputra to get on the parent email list to stay updated with special announcements and events.

**For more information contact Bea Adiputra: [badiputra@ncfstl.org](mailto:badiputra@ncfstl.org)**

## BLAST 9

BLAST is our program for kids ages Kindergarten through 5rd grade. It includes **BLAST 9: small group Bible teaching and projects from 9-10am, as well as big group activities during the sermon. BLAST workers will take the kids up to the 3rd floor when dismissed from the worship service.** Parents should pick up their children from the 3rd floor immediately following the service. To stay up-to-date on events and special announcements, please make sure you are subscribed to the children's ministry newsletter. If you do not currently receive these emails, contact Ali Grimshaw.

**For more information contact Ali Grimshaw: [agrimshaw@ncfstl.org](mailto:agrimshaw@ncfstl.org)**

## youth group

Middle and High School Youth Groups have a combined Sunday School class from 9am-10am in the Youth Room. Youth Group is held on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm at the South City site (3502 Grace Ave). Middle school and high school groups meet on alternating Wednesdays.

**For more information or to be added to the youth email list contact Roy Hubbard: [rhubbard@ncfstl.org](mailto:rhubbard@ncfstl.org)**