

# 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, please contact Emily Hedlund: [ehedlund@ncfst.org](mailto:ehedlund@ncfst.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.



**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 10:30am**  
**Francophone service at 10:30am in the Auditorium**  
**Adult Ed Classes at 9am**

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**For a copy of the church directory:** \_\_\_\_\_ [ehedlund@ncfstl.org](mailto:ehedlund@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 Emily Hedlund: [ehedlund@ncfstl.org](mailto:ehedlund@ncfstl.org), 314-726-2302 x243



# Sermon Text

## Revelation 5:1-14 (ESV)

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup>And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" <sup>3</sup>And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, <sup>4</sup>and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. <sup>5</sup>And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." <sup>6</sup>And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup>And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. <sup>8</sup>And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup>And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, <sup>10</sup>and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth." <sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup>And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

## 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



**For more information, or to request a meeting, contact Andrew Stern, Director: [andrew@ncfstl.org](mailto:andrew@ncfstl.org), 314-280-4397**

# New City Fellowship

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10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

## Call to Worship: Isaiah 12:2-6 (ESV)

"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. <sup>3</sup>With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. <sup>4</sup>And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. <sup>5</sup>Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. <sup>6</sup>Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

Where All the Nations Shall Be Healed

The God Who is Able

Je Veux N'être Qu'à Toi - Emmanuel

## Prayer and Apostle's Creed

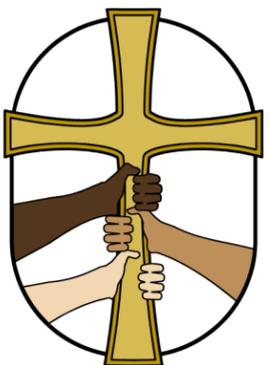
The Year of Jubilee

## Offering and Announcements

## Sermon

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

## The Lord's Supper



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

## Church Blood Drive

Join us for a church blood drive with the American Red Cross on Wednesday Sept 21st from 2-6pm. It will be held in the gym. We hope you can make it!

**If you are interested, please contact Sarah Katumu: [skatumu@ncfstl.org](mailto:skatumu@ncfstl.org)**

## Congregational Survey

We want to hear your voice! The Succession Planning Task Force has created an anonymous survey for the congregation to fill out. The goal is to help us explore where we currently are as a church and the direction we would like to go. If you prefer a paper version, several will be available during the Sunday services by request. There will be a French version shared soon as well. A summary of the results will be shared with the congregation once we have adequate responses.



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## Umetulisha Lunch Volunteers

Umetulisha Food Ministry is seeking a few volunteers to help serve lunch at the Freedom School. The greatest need is Mondays and Thursdays from 11:30am to 1pm. You can serve weekly or twice a month.

**For more information, please contact Sally Hanson: [tssc-hanson@msn.com](mailto:tssc-hanson@msn.com), 314-591-2213**

## Work at The Freedom School

The Freedom School is in need of guest teachers (substitutes). The only qualifications are loving Jesus and loving children!

**For more information, please contact Angie Yarbrough: [ayarbrough@tfsstl.org](mailto:ayarbrough@tfsstl.org)**

## NCF Sunday Morning Worship Services

As a church, we will follow local health guidelines. **Our worship services are currently mask-optional.** A large section of the gym is open seating and another section of the gym is reserved for social distancing. Our chief goal is to allow as many of the people of God as possible to safely return to worship and fellowship.

## Firm Foundation Tutoring

Firm Foundation Tutoring seeks volunteer after-school tutors for one-on-one relational ministry. Tutors work with the same student each week, helping them grow academically, emotionally, socially, and spiritually. Tutors (from high school students to retirees) will receive training and support to equip them in their role (no prior experience needed.) We have openings at both our South City and West End sites on Monday—Thursday.



**To apply, please scan the QR code or contact Kristen Flores: [kristen@ncfstl.org](mailto:kristen@ncfstl.org)**

## 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, **please contact Tony Thompkins: [tony@ncfstl.org](mailto:tony@ncfstl.org)**

If you are struggling to have enough food, to pay your bills, or make financial decisions, please stop struggling 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)**

## Women's Bible Study

The Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study will resume on September 14th from 9:15am - 11:15am in the Nursing Mother's Room in the nursery area. We will study the book of Judges. All women are invited to join us! **We are in need of a babysitter during this time and it is a paid position.**

**For more information, contact Kathy Woodard: [kathyw169@gmail.com](mailto:kathyw169@gmail.com)**

# 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 pick 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 listen to the sermon and complimentary snacks and water.

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

## baby & preschool

We provide care during the sermon for babies who are crawling through children 4 years of age. During the break in the worship service, parents can sign in their children at the desk at the top of the stairs off the foyer and sign them out after communion.

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

## children

Kids' Bible Time is our program for kids ages Kindergarten through 3rd grade. It takes place on the third floor during the sermon. Parents should drop off and pick up their kids in the children's ministry foyer, above the nursery hall. 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 Marianne Dean.

**For more information, contact Marianne Dean: [mdean@ncfstl.org](mailto:mdean@ncfstl.org)**

## youth group

Middle and High School Youth Groups have a combined Sunday School class from 9am-10am in the Youth Room. Our Youth Group mid-week meetings will resume after Labor Day. High School will meet Mondays from 7pm-9pm. Middle School will meet Thursdays from 6:30pm-8:30pm. Volunteers are still needed if you'd like to get involved in building relationships with our young people.

**For more information, contact Otto Scott: [otto@ncfstl.org](mailto:otto@ncfstl.org)**