

# 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 Welcome Table to ask questions, learn about our ministries, or fill out a visitor card to be personally contacted.

## 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.



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:

*Get Connected!*

jward@ncfstl.org, 314-726-2302 x257.

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*FYI*

**Worship Service and Livestream at 10:30am**  
**French service at 10:30am in the auditorium**  
**Adult Ed Classes at 9:15am**

**Church Office:** \_\_\_\_\_ 1142 Hodiamont Ave, 63112; 314-726-2302  
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**New City Fellowship St. Louis Podcasts:** \_\_\_\_\_ Google Play Music, Apple iTunes  
**Listen to sermons online:** \_\_\_\_\_ www.newcityucity.org  
**Weekly church updates via email:** \_ send email address to ehedlund@ncfstl.org  
**For a copy of the church directory:** \_\_\_\_\_ 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

### Ephesians 4:7-16 (ESV)

But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.<sup>8</sup> Therefore it says,

“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives,  
and he gave gifts to men.”

<sup>9</sup> (In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup> And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup> so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. <sup>15</sup> Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

## 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 you what the Lord is doing through us



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

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

# New City Fellowship

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## Crown Him with Many Crowns

### Call to Worship: Revelation 5:9-14 (ESV)

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.

## A Mighty Fortress is Our God

## Ancient of Days

## *I Do Worship*

## Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

## The Blessing

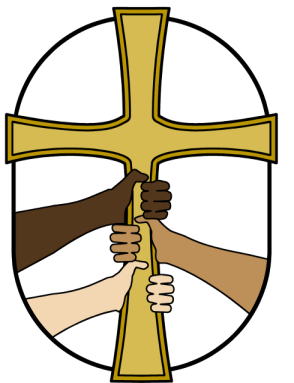
## Offering and Announcements

## Ministry Moment

## Sermon

## *The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power*

## The Lord's Supper



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

## Adult Ed and Sunday School - POSTPONED

Due to the rise in Covid cases, we're postponing the start of our Adult Ed classes and Children's Sunday School. The new start date will be determined soon.

Three Adult Ed classes will be offered:

*Discovering God's Vision for Your Life: You and Your Spiritual Gifts* - taught by Jim Ward

*Loving Your Prodigal* - taught by Jim and Jennifer Owens

*The Five Books of Moses: God's Foundational Revelation for Living as God's New Humanity In Jesus Christ* - taught by Barry Henning and guest lecturers

**For more information, contact Jim Ward: [jward@ncfstl.org](mailto:jward@ncfstl.org)**

## Congregational Survey

We need your input as we move forward! Please take a moment to fill out this brief survey before Tuesday, January 18th. This will help direct the decision about when programs return. Thank you!



## Free Tax Service

The Metro St. Louis Community Tax Coalition is offering free tax filing at our church office: 1142 Hodiamont Ave. This is for anyone in the community who needs assistance filing their taxes. Appointments are required this year. The dates are:

Jan 29, 9am-noon

Feb 5, 12, 26, 9am-noon

March 12, 26, 9am-noon

April 2, 9, 9am-noon



**To sign up, please use the QR code or call: 314-502-9185**

## Firm Foundation Summer Teaching Opportunities

Firm Foundation Tutoring is looking to hire teachers for our summer program. Ideal candidates will have experience teaching in a public, private, or homeschool setting, but we will also consider college or seminary students with the potential for growth. Open positions include 20-30 hours a week for 3, 5, or 6 weeks in June and July.

**For more information, contact Kristen Flores: [kristen@ncfstl.org](mailto:kristen@ncfstl.org), 314-278-6960**

## NCF Sunday Morning Worship Services

As a church we will follow local and CDC guidelines.

- Masks are currently required in the building for those ages 2 and up. Soft masks appropriate for small children will be available.
- A large section of the gym is open seating and another section of the gym is reserved for social distancing.
- In addition, we have a livestream service available in the building across the breezeway with masks and social distancing for those who wish to avoid crowds.

***Our chief goal is to allow as many of the people of God as possible to safely return to worship and fellowship.***

## Umetulisha Needs Volunteers

Umetulisha's core mission is feeding God's people, with a special call to feed children in need. We are currently serving over 450 children and youth a day and would love for you to partner with us! We are in need of volunteers to help serve lunch at The Freedom School - no experience is needed, just a willing heart for service! We are also in need of someone with web design experience, and as always your prayers are coveted!

**For more information, contact Nicole Shuman: [nshuman@ncfstl.org](mailto:nshuman@ncfstl.org)**

## School Carpool Needed

We are looking for someone to drive two Freedom School students home on Tuesdays and / or Fridays. They live near Hazelwood Central High School in North County. They can be picked up anytime between 3pm and 6pm. Thank you!

**If you can help, please contact Angie Yarbrough: [ayarbrough@tfsstl.org](mailto:ayarbrough@tfsstl.org)**

## Thank You For Your Generosity In 2021!

Tax receipts will be mailed by the end of the month. To ensure the deductibility of your contributions made in 2021, please do not file your income tax return until you have received your written acknowledgement of contributions from NCF and Restore St. Louis.

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

# 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. For now, we are removing the toys until we have more data about the transmission of the omicron variant. We will still have books, toddler and preschooler masks, and changing table supplies. In the meantime, feel free to bring toys from home for your own child to use. We ask that you pick up when you leave, and please do not leave your children unattended. Thank you!

**For more information, contact Amy Jensen: [ajensen@ncfstl.org](mailto:ajensen@ncfstl.org)**

## baby & preschool

During the sermon portion of the worship service we provide staffed preschool rooms for babies who are crawling through children 4 years of age (or beginning kindergarten). The nursery rooms are located at the top of the stairs from the foyer. You can register your child before the service at the "Baby & Preschool Sign Up Table." Parents are free to spend time in the nursery rooms with volunteers if they believe it will help their little one adjust to new surroundings. We are excited to welcome them!

**Parents - please do not send kids to the nursery without you! Older siblings can NOT drop off children.** A room has been provided for nursing mothers up the stairs in the foyer and to the far end of the hallway as you turn left. The sermon will be streamed to speakers there. Water and snacks are available.

**For more information, contact Amy Jensen: [ajensen@ncfstl.org](mailto:ajensen@ncfstl.org)**

## children

New City Children's Ministry Team is committed to offering both in-person and virtual options for the discipleship of our children. Because of the ongoing challenges of keeping children and volunteers safe amidst Covid, adjustments and changes to our programs happen often. Please make sure you are subscribed to the weekly children's ministry emails to receive updates, opportunities, and timing. If you do not currently receive these emails, contact Marianne Dean.

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

## teens

High School and Middle School Youth Group are on holiday break until the week of January 24th.

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