

The UMC of New City Hybrid Worship

June 21, 2026

4th Sunday after Pentecost; Father's Day; Celebration of Juneteenth; "Forgotten Books of the Bible" - Week 5

Welcome

Pastor Amanda

Prelude

Dr. Diana Hughes

Call to Worship

Leader: Father, Son, Holy Spirit,

People: We come into your presence with thanksgiving.

Leader: Creator, Christ, Holy Ghost,

People: We gather to worship you.

Leader: For God is good,

People: All the time!

Leader: And all the time,

People: God is good!

**Hymn #144 (UMH)

This Is My Father's World

1. **This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.**
2. **This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise, the morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise. This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.**
3. **This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King; let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad.**

Children's Message

Unison Prayer

A Prayer for Christian Fathers

from xavier.edu

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Philemon 1:4-21

Kristen Sandberg

I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers, because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that we share in Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to do the right thing, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me so that he might minister to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel, but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for the long term, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge that to me. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Message "Forgotten Books of the Bible" - Week 5: Philemon Rev. Dr. Amanda Hemenetz

Hymn #533 (UMH) *We Shall Overcome* verses 1-4

- 1. We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday!**
- 2. We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday!**
- 3. We shall all be free, we shall all be free, we shall all be free someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday!**
- 4. We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, we shall live in peace someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday!**

Prayer Requests and Praises

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Announcements

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Dr. Diana Hughes

**Doxology #95 (UMH)

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****Prayer of Dedication**

Almighty God, Parent of us all, bless these gifts and use them to your glory. Help us to look on all others with love, that we may follow your mandate to love our neighbors as we would ourselves. Amen.

****Hymn #389 (UMH)**

Freely, Freely

1. God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've born again in Jesus' name, and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his love as he told me to.

(Refrain): He said "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely, give. Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live.

2. All power is given in Jesus' name, in earth and heaven in Jesus' name, and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his power as he told me to. (Refrain)

****Blessing**

****Choral Benediction**

Amazing Grace Amen

Postlude

Dr. Diana Hughes

Please join us for food and fellowship.

Thank you for joining us in worship today. You are always welcome here! To be added to our email list, ask questions, request pastoral care, or explore the possibility of membership, contact the church office at umcofnewcity@gmail.org or call (845) 634-1758.

Our youngest worshippers (Pre-K through 6th grade) are invited to our "Children's Church Table" after the Children's Message.

Our thrift shop, Angel's Attic, is open Saturdays 9am-2pm and Thursdays 10am-12pm.

We are a Reconciling Church; we fully love and accept ALL, including LGBTQ+ individuals and families.

Our Mission Statement is "Serving God through Serving the Community."

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May you go in Christ's peace, assured of God's love.

