



MCC[®]
METROPOLITAN
COMMUNITY CHURCH
OF THE SPIRIT

**How good and pleasant it is when sisters and brothers live in
unity.**

Psalm 133:1

June 28, 2009

Dear MCC Friends,

As you know our community has been in active dialogue concerning our worship life for several years.

Last week the Board of Directors met to review your feedback and chart a way forward. We believe the Holy Spirit has been at work in our discussions. Over the last few months the Board has done important work to move toward our future. Those discussions have focused on ways we can facilitate our healing, growth, and organizational stability.

During this time of transition it is important for our community to worship as one body.

Beginning Sunday July 19th MCC of the Spirit will worship at one service at 10am.

Over the last few months we have provided opportunities for our various worship services and leaders to come together for feedback and discussion. As your Board of Directors we listened and learned from that feedback.

What we heard was sometimes painful because the changes we are making to our worship services may mean that some people will be unable to worship with us regularly at this time. But as we draw together in unity, sharing resources, we believe that MCC of the Spirit

will grow and thrive. Combining the services gives us the foundation to do that.

During the summer will we explore opportunities and resources to keep our community connected. We also commit to providing an opportunity for Christian community on Sunday nights beginning in the fall.

In addition to our new service schedule, there are many ways to connect with our church throughout the summer.

Sunday June 28 New Sermon Series Begins "The Erotic Word"

Sunday July 12 MCCS Membership & Inquirers Class

Saturday July 18 Bingo at MCC

Thursday- Sunday July 16-19 MCC Regional Conference Pittsburgh, PA

Friday July 24 Voices United Concert

Saturday July 25 Central PA Pride Parade and Pridefest Festival

Sunday July 26 MCCS Pride Service 10am

Sunday July 26 Spirits United Ecumenical Worship Service 7pm

Sunday August 16 Worship on the Susquehanna, on board the Pride of the Susquehanna

Followed by Community Picnic on City Island

We are looking forward to seeing you at one of these upcoming events.

It is important to note that our worship conversation is not over. As long as we are a church, we are committed to open and active dialogue about our shared ministry and ways we can improve and grow. This is our commitment to each other and our commitment to the movement of the Holy Spirit.

We have been blessed with an opportunity to create a new beginning. We believe this decision lays the foundation for our future and growth. We will use this time to focus our energy and resources on our strengths, creating new opportunities to be together in ministry.

Thank you for your faithfulness.

Yours in Christ Service,

The Board of Directors
Metropolitan Community Church of the Spirit

