



Metropolitan Community Churches

Christ The Liberator • Newsletter

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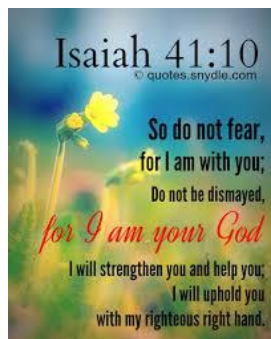
"LGBTQI Lives Matter!"

Pastor David delivered a powerful message refuting the spiritual violence perpetrated against the LGBTQI community. Some "religious" leaders still quote a handful Biblical Scriptures out of their historical contexts, to shame, condemn, and isolate LGBTQI people. But, CTL RESISTS all those who would marginalize anyone, including us in the LGBTQI community. We know that Love is our greatest moral value and resisting exclusion is a primary focus of our ministry.



CTL Turns 40! Christ The Liberator was founded in **September 1977** and for 40 years CTL has embraced LGBTQI people with God's liberating message of hope and inclusion. In September, **Grace St. Paul's**, our host church, will join us to celebrate our anniversary at with CTL's annual "Picnic Potluck in [Washington Crossing State Park.](#)" Stay tuned for the exact date/time.

Why Social Media? According to [Nielsen's 2016 Social Media Report](#); Generation X (ages 35-49) spends 7 hours a week on social media; Millennials (ages 18-29) spend a little over 6 hours. [The Pew Center's 2016 Social Media Update](#) reports that 79% of online adults (68% of all Americans) use Facebook. Social media is everywhere, 24/7. When we discuss church growth, we have to recognize that these social platforms foster a new language(s) of which each new generation fosters native speakers. CTL is building a bold new presence in cyberspace so engage us on **Facebook**, **Twitter**, **Instagram**, **Meetup**, and **YouTube**.



UFMCC, Our Denomination

[Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches](#). MCC is a global denomination that is a welcoming place for all of God's people. Founded in 1968 as a church for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer community. Metropolitan Community Churches has been at the vanguard of civil and human rights movements. As people of faith, MCC endeavors to build bridges that liberate and unite voices of sacred defiance.

CTL's Newsletter Submit your newsletter content via email. Here are some ideas: •books •community event •concerts •games •gardening tips •how-to articles •jokes (tasteful) •movies •photos •poetry •recipes •restaurants •top 10 lists •trivia•

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All online adults	79%
Men	75
Women	83
18-29	88
30-49	84
50-64	72
65+	62
Urban	81
Suburban	77
Rural	81

Note: Race/ethnicity breaks not shown due to sample size.

Source: Survey conducted March 7-April 4, 2016.

"Social Media Update 2016"

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