



Es la Vida de Mi Alma

+ *October is Hispanic Peoples/Domestic Violence Awareness/Pastor Appreciation/
National Arts & Humanities/Breast Cancer Awareness/Queer History Month!*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

+ **4th Sunday after Homecoming**

+ **The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching**
(Is. 45: 1-6 & Mt. 22: 15-21)

11:00 am **Celebration Liturgy** Live-streamed!

12:45 pm **Rise of the Resistance w/Alva Bostick**

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, October 19: Office Closed

♥ **Happy Birthday Rev. Candy and Rev. Earl!**

5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, October 20

♥ **Happy Birthday Robert Griffin (and Happy
Ordination Anniversary)!**

♥ **Happy Ordination Anniv. Rev. Robin Gorsline!**

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Wednesday, October 21

+ **Global Day of Prayer to End Famine**

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)

6:00 pm **Q Clinic (3rd floor)**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

2026: A Year of Resilience!

Thursday, October 22

9:00 am Food Pantry

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)

6:00 pm **Covenanted Bible/Theology Study w/Rev. Reg via Zoom**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Friday, October 23

♥ **Happy Birthday Joshua Love!**

12:15 pm **Taize Prayer w/Rev. Brett (Facebook)**

5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Saturday, October 24

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

+ **Reformation Sunday**

+ **33rd Anniversary at "446"**

♥ **Asexual Awareness Week begins**

♥ **Happy Birthday Valerie King!**

+ **The Rev. Elder Miller Hoffman, preaching**
(Ex. 22: 20-26 & Mt. 22: 34-40)

10:00 am **Choir Rehearsal for 11am**

11:00 am **Celebration Liturgy** Live-streamed!!

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

* **11am CELEBRATION LIVE-STREAMED EVERY SUNDAY!**

* **Pantry and shelter remain open.** + **For pastoral calls: 332-400-7488**

Please make sure the Church has your cell phone number and email address!

Send to: **RvPatMCCNY@aol.com**

MCCNY 
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October 18, 2026
✚ 4th Sunday after Homecoming

MCC globally celebrates "57 Years of Offering Our Light to the World"
54th Anniversary Year at MCCNY: A Year of Resilience!

The Community at Worship 11am with Long Island Community Fellowship of West Babylon
ASL Interpreter (First, second, and third Sundays of the month and special celebrations)

Pat Dash

PRELUDE

John Fischer, Music Director
Carolyn Traore, Song Leader
Heidi Siegell, Soloist

PROCESSION

"All to Jesus, I Surrender"

#7/Hymnal

Please stand as able

WELCOME

The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner
Metropolitan Community Church of New York

✚ The Sign of Peace

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera
The First Lesson

Isaías 45: 1-6
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Dios consagró a Ciro como gobernante, Dios lo tomó de la mano para que dominara las naciones y desarmara a los gobernantes. Dios hace que delante de Ciro se abran las puertas de las ciudades sin que nadi pueda cerrárselas. Y ahora Dios le dice: Yo iré delante de ti, derribaré las alturas, romperé las puertas de bronce y haré pedazos las barras de hierro. Yo te entregaré tesoros escondidos, riquezas guardadas en lugares secretos, para que sepas que yo soy el Dios de Israel, que te llama por tu nombre. Por consideración a mi siervo Jacob, al pueblo de Israel, que he elegido, te he llamado por tu nombre y te he dado el título de honor que tienes, sin que tú me conocieras. Yo soy Dios, no hay otro; fuera de mí no hay Dios. Yo te he preparado para la lucha sin que tú me conocieras, para que sepan todos, de oriente a occidente, que fuera de mí no hay ningún otro. Yo soy Dios, no hay otro.

+ Esta es la Palabra de Dios
TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS

Thus says God to the anointed one, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations and to strip rulers of their robes, to open doors — and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains; I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron; I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name; I give you a title, though you do not know me. I am God, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am God, and there is no other.

+ This is the Word of God
THANKS BE TO GOD

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda
The Second Lesson

Mateo 22: 15-21
Matthew 22: 15-21

Los fariseos fueron y se pusieron de acuerdo para hacerle decir a Jesús algo que les diera motivo para acusarlo. Así que mandaron a algunos de sus partidarios, junto con otros del partido de Herodes, a decirle: "Maestro, sabemos que tú dices la verdad, y que enseñas de veras el camino de Dios, sin dejarte llevar por lo que diga la gente, porque no hablas para darles gusto. Danos, pues, tu opinión: ¿Está bien que paguemos impuestos al emperador romano, o no?" Jesús, dándose cuenta de la mala intención que llevaban, les dijo: "Hipócritas, ¿por qué me tienden trampas? Enseñenme la moneda con que se paga el impuesto." Le trajeron un denario, y Jesús les preguntó: "¿De quién es ésta cara y el nombre que aquí está escrito?" Le contestaron: "Del emperador." Jesús les dijo entonces: "Pues den al emperador lo que es del emperador, y a Dios lo que es de Dios."

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TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to Jesus, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought Jesus a denarius. Then Jesus said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" They answered, "Caesar's." Then Jesus said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's."

**+ This is the Word of God
THANKS BE TO GOD**

SELECTION

SERMON

The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, Pastor
Metropolitan Community Church of New York

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offering Call

✚ Please consider an extra gift to the Global Justice Institute!

~ Please prayerfully consider direct donations through your bank or credit card giving.

THE CELEBRATION AND SHARING OF COMMUNION

Deacon Len Richardson
The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner

God is with you
AND ALSO WITH YOU
Let us open our hearts
WE OPEN THEM TO GOD
Let us give God thanks and praise
IT IS A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING TO DO

MCCNY celebrates an OPEN COMMUNION. Everyone is welcome to share in the Gifts of God for the People of God. (Grape juice is used so that all may freely share in this meal. For those with health concerns, distributors sanitize their hands immediately before the service. Communion wafers for those with wheat or gluten allergies are available upon request. Please let your server know if you need this service.) A prayer of blessing will be offered, unless you request the sacrament only.

PLEASE OBSERVE THE SACREDNESS OF THIS SACRAMENT by praying silently or by joining in the singing of hymns.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

"Take My Life . . ."

#220/Hymnal

"Steal Away . . ."

#215/Hymnal

"Yo te Amo"

#9/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"Es la Vida de Mi Alma"

#62/Hymnal
Please stand as able

BENEDICTION



♥ *Everyone is welcome to join in a light reception
immediately following the Benediction!*

✚ *Stained Glass by Jackson Hall*

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PROGRAMMING at MCCNY

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION PROGRAM: Spiritual Direction is a process in which a mentor accompanies one person - the directee - for an extended period of time. Through conversation, prayer, and spiritual exercises, the mentor helps the directee clarify spiritual issues so that s/he can move toward a deeper experience with the Divine. To seek Direction, contact Bishop Reg at 332-400-7488.

LIVE-STREAMING at MCCNY: The 11am Celebration is now live-streamed. Go to facebook.com/mccny and celebrate with your family of faith!

BIBLE STUDY & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: The Queer Life & Faith religious education program is led by Bishop Reg Richburg every Thursday at 5 pm. Our discussions connect the Scriptures, our faith, and queer Life. We use educational materials and methodologies that will help look at life from different perspectives: art, videos, and dialogue, among others. Come to one session, some sessions, or all sessions on Zoom.
Contact: lambseeker@hotmail.com

MCCNY E-Prayer Ministry: If you would like to participate in the prayer ministry or send prayer requests, please contact prayers@mccny.org. You will receive a weekly list of prayer concerns about members and friends of our congregation, the wider MCC community, and social justice issues.

PLEASE REMEMBER to list the Church and our phone number among those to be contacted in case of illness or an emergency. Church Pastors will contact and visit you.

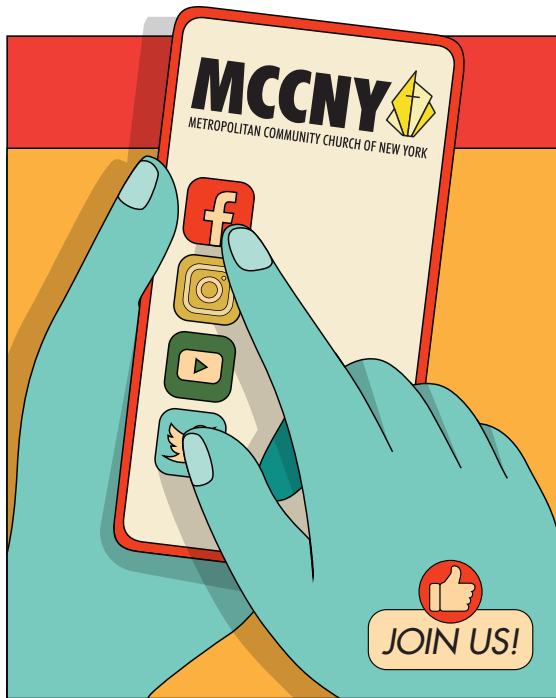
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T Time/Date

E Equipment/Weapons

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