



"It is not good for people to be alone."

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

- ✦ **Reformation Sunday**
- ✦ **33rd Anniversary at "446"**
- ✦ **Blessing of Musicians and Artists**
- ♥ **Asexual Awareness Week begins**
- ♥ **Happy Birthday Valerie King!**
- ✦ **The Rev. Elder Miller Hoffman, preaching**
(Ex. 22: 20-26 & Mt. 22: 34-40)

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

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, October 26: Office Closed

○ **Intersex Awareness Day**

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, October 27

✦ **Anniversary of Tree of Life Massacre (2018)**

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 28

♥ **Happy Birthday Mark McNease!**

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 29

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 30

♥ **Happy Anniversary Bishop Reg & Suzie Chin!**

♥ **Happy Anniversary Rick Bahl & David Raleigh!**

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 31

✦ **All Hallows Eve**

✦ **Anniversary of 1st Service at "446" (1993)**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 01

✦ **Feast of All Saints!**

♥ **Happy Birthday Sophia Pazos!**

✦ **The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching**

(Rev. 7:1-4, 9-17 & Mt. 5:1-12)

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!

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October 25, 2026

✚ 33rd Anniversary at "446"/Reformation Sunday

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

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

#137/Hymnal (2 pages)

Please stand as able

WELCOME

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

✚ Blessing of Musicians and Artists
✚ The Sign of Peace

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera
The First Lesson

Exodus 22:20-26
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La persona que ofrezca sacrificios a otros dioses, en vez de ofrecérselos solamente a Dios, será condenado a muerte. No maltrates ni oprimas al extranjero, porque ustedes también fueron extranjeros en Egipto. No maltrates a las viudas ni a los huérfanos, porque si los maltratas y ellos me piden ayuda, yo iré en su ayuda, y con gran furia, a golpe de espada, les quitaré a ustedes la vida. Entonces quienes se quedarán viudas y huérfanos serán las mujeres y los niños de ustedes. Si le prestas dinero a alguna persona pobre de mi pueblo que viva contigo, no te portes con ella como un prestamista, ni le cobres intereses. Si esa persona te da su ropa como garantía del préstamo, devuélvesela al ponerse el sol.

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

Whoever sacrifices to any god other than God alone shall be devoted to destruction. You shall not wrong or oppress a stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry; my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your spouses shall be left alone and your children orphans. If you lend money to my people, to the poor among you, you shall not deal with them as a creditor; you shall not exact interest from them. If you take your neighbor's cloak as guarantee, you shall restore it before the sun goes down . . .

+ This is the Word of God
THANKS BE TO GOD

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda
The Second Lesson

Mateo 22: 34-40
Matthew 22: 34-40

Los fariseos se reunieron al saber que Jesús había hecho callar a los saduceos, y uno, que era maestro de la ley, para tenderle una trampa, le preguntó a Jesús: "Maestro, ¿cuál es el mandamiento más importante de la ley?" Jesús le dijo: "'Ama al Soberano tu Dios con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma y con toda tu mente.' Éste es el más importante y el primero de los mandamientos. Pero hay un segundo, parecido a éste; dice: 'Ama a tu prójimo como a ti mismo.' En estos dos mandamientos se basan toda la ley y los profetas."

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

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, an expert in the law, asked Jesus a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" Jesus said, "'You shall love the Sovereign your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

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

SELECTION

SERMON

**The Rev. Elder Miller Hoffman
Metropolitan Community Churches**

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

"Caridad y Comprensión"

#34/Hymnal

"Amor. Amor"

#12/Hymnal

"Dios es Amor"

#51/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"All You Need is Love" by the Beatles

Please stand as able

Love, Love, Love (3x)

There's nothin' you can do that can't be done

Nothin' you can sing that can't be sung

Nothin' you can say, but you can learn how to play the game

It's easy

All you need is love (2x)

All you need is love, love

Love is all you need

There's nothin' you can know that can't be known

Nothin' you can see that isn't shown

There's nowhere you can be that isn't where you're meant to be

It's easy

All you need is love. . .

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.

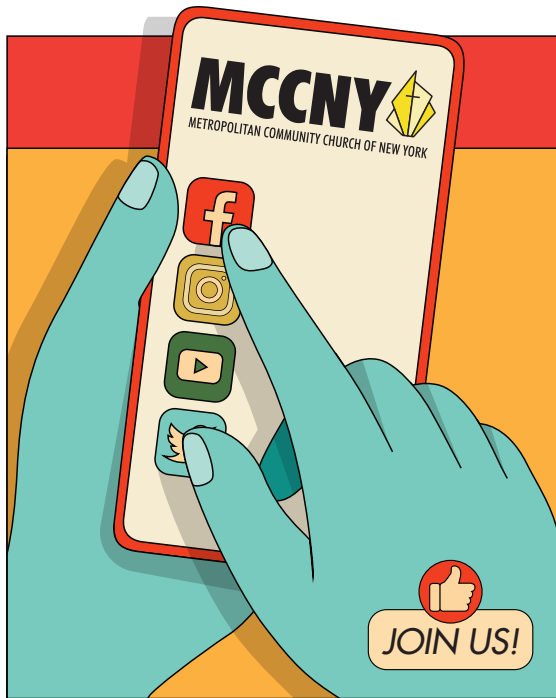
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U Uniforms/Clothes
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T Time/Date

E Equipment/Weapons

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