



The way it was supposed to be

✦ *October is Hispanic Peoples/Domestic Violence Awareness/Pastor Appreciation/
Nat'l Arts & Humanities/Queer History Month!*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 04

- ✦ **World Communion Day**
- ✦ **Feast of St. Francis/Blessing of Animals**
- ✦ **Celebration of the 58th Anniv. of the Founding of Metropolitan Community Churches**
- ♥ **Happy Anniv. Lynn Domina & Sandra Jones!**
- ✦ **The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching**
(Is. 5: 1-7 & Mt. 21: 33-46)

11:00 am **Celebration Liturgy** Live-streamed!
12:45 pm **Movieola: Pride** (Gallery)
9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, October 05: Office Closed

- * **World Teachers Day!**
- ♥ **Happy Birthday Rev. William Knight!**
5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)
9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, October 06

- ✦ **Anniversary of UFMCC**
- ♥ **Happy Ordination Anniversary Rev. Brael!**
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

Wed., October 07: ✦ Feast of Serge & Bacchus

- ♥ **Happy Birthday Barb Crabtree!**
- ♥ **Happy Anniv. Cathy & Sheila Marino-Thomas!**
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 08

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 09

- ♥ **Happy B'day Carolyn Traore & Rev. Gale Jones!**
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

Sat., October 10: Day Against Death Penalty/ National Coming Out Day/World Homeless Day/ World Mental Health Day

- ♥ **Happy Birthday Al Leach & Rev. Robin!**
9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

- ✦ **Día de la Raza**
- * **International Day of the Girl**
- ✦ **Anniv. of Queer March on Washington (1981)**
- ✦ **Lay Preacher Maribelle Vazquez, preaching**
(Is. 25: 6-10 & Mt. 22: 1-14)
10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am
11:00 am **Celebration Liturgy** Live-streamed!!
12:30 pm **Welcome SOGI Seekers!**
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 04, 2026
✚ Feast of St. Francis

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

"We Are the Church Alive"

Printed

Please stand as able

WELCOME

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

✚ Celebration of the 58th Anniversary of Metropolitan Community Churches

✚ Blessing of Animals

✚ The Sign of Peace

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera
The First Lesson

Isaías 5:1-7
Isaiah 5:1-7

Voy a entonar en nombre de mi mejor amigo el canto dedicado a un viñedo. Mi amado tenía un viñedo en un terreno muy fértil. Mi amado removió la tierra, la limpió de piedras y plantó cepas de la mejor calidad. En medio del sembrado mi amado levantó una torre y preparó también un lugar donde hacer el vino. Mi amado esperaba del viñedo uvas dulces, pero las uvas que éste dio fueron agrias. Ahora, habitantes de Jerusalén, gente de Judá, digan ustedes quién tiene la culpa, si mi viñedo o yo. ¿Había algo más que hacerle a mi viñedo? ¿Hay algo que yo no le haya hecho? Yo esperaba que diera uvas dulces, ¿por qué, entonces, dio uvas agrias? Pues bien, les voy a decir qué pienso hacer con mi viñedo: voy a quitarle la cerca, para que lo destruyan; voy a agrietarle el muro, para que lo pisoteen; voy a dejarlo abandonado. No lo podarán ni lo desyerbarán, y se llenará de espinos y maleza. Voy a ordenar a las nubes que no envíen su lluvia sobre él. El viñedo de Dios todopoderoso, el sembrado preferido de Dios, es el país de Israel, el pueblo de Judá. Dios esperaba de ellos respeto a la ley, y sólo encuentra asesinatos; Dios esperaba justicia, y sólo escucha gritos de dolor.

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

I will sing for the one I love a song about a vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. My beloved dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines, and built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then my beloved looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit. Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? Now I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it will be destroyed; I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled. I will make it a wasteland, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it. The vineyard of God Almighty is the nation of Israel, and the people of Judah are the vines God delighted in. And God looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

+ This is the Word of God
THANKS BE TO GOD

MUSICAL RESPONSE

La Lección Segunda
The Second Lesson

MCCNY Choir
Mateo 21:33-46
Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus dijo, "Escuchen otra parábola: El dueño de una finca plantó un viñedo y el dueño le puso un cerco; el dueño preparó un lugar donde hacer el vino y levantó una torre para vigilarlo todo. Luego el dueño alquiló el terreno a unos arrendatarios y se fue de viaje. Cuando llegó el tiempo de la cosecha, el dueño mandó unos labradores a pedir a los arrendatarios la parte que correspondía a el dueño.. Pero los arrendatarios echaron mano a los labradores: golpearon a uno, mataron a otro y apedrearón a otro. El dueño volvió a mandar más labradores que al principio; pero los arrendatarios los trataron a todos de la misma manera. Por fin el dueño mandó a su propio niño, pensando: 'Sin duda, respetarán a mi niño.' Pero cuando vieron al niño, los arrendatarios se dijeron unos a otros: 'Éste es la persona que ha de recibir la herencia; matémoslo y nos quedaremos con su propiedad.' Así que lo agarraron, lo sacaron del viñedo y lo mataron. Y ahora, cuando venga el dueño del viñedo, ¿qué creen ustedes que hará con esos arrendatarios?" Le contestaron a Jesus: "Matará sin compasión a esos malvados, y alquilará el viñedo a otros que le entreguen a su debido tiempo la parte de la cosecha que corresponde a el dueño." Jesús entonces les dijo: "¿Nunca han leído ustedes las Escrituras? Dicen: 'La piedra que los constructores despreciaron se ha convertido en la piedra principal.

Esto lo hizo Dios, y estamos maravillados.' Por eso les digo que a ustedes se les quitará el reino, y que se le dará a un pueblo que produzca la debida cosecha." Los jefes de los sacerdotes y los fariseos, al oír las parábolas que Jesús contaba, se dieron cuenta de que Jesus hablaba de ellos. Quisieron entonces arrestarlo, pero tenían miedo, porque la gente creía que Jesús era un profeta.

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

Jesus said: "Listen to another parable. There was a householder who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then the householder leased it to tenants and went away. When the harvest time had come, the householder sent workers to the tenants to collect the produce. But the tenants seized the workers and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again the householder sent others, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. Then the householder sent their child to them, saying, 'They will respect my child.' But when the tenants saw the child, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill this child and get the inheritance.' So they seized the child who had been sent, threw that child out of the vineyard, and killed them. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will be done to those tenants?" Those gathered around said to Jesus, "The owner will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give over the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; it was God's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the reign of God will be taken away from you and given to people who produce its fruits." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard the parables, they realized that Jesus was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest Jesus, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded Jesus as a prophet.

**+ 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!

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THE CELEBRATION AND SHARING OF COMMUNION

**Deacon Len Richardson
The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner**

+ Communion Celebrated in Memory of Sammy Kennedy +

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

"Dios, Tu Eres Nuestra Luz "

#55/Hymnal

"God, I Want to Be a Christian"

#74/Hymnal

"Cristo, Cristo"

#47/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"God, Make Me a Means of Your Peace"

#80/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.

MCCNY has a new phone number!
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MCCNY pays tribute to the Rev. Elder Troy Perry, who on October 6, 1968, 9 months before the Stonewall Riots, changed the world with the proclamation:

God loves all people!

MCC stands on a 3-prong vision:

- + Salvation for all +
- + Community for all +
- + Social Justice for all +

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The Rev. Elder Troy D. Perry, Founder

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