

Rethink • Rebuild • Rise (Keep woke!)

✢ *November is Native American Peoples Month/December is World AIDS Month* ✢

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

✢ **1st Sunday of Advent**

✢ **World AIDS Sunday**

♥ **Happy Birthday Brian Miller!**

✢ **The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching**
(Is. 63:16-19, 64:1-8 & Mk. 13: 33-37)

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am
11:00 am Celebration Liturgy Live-streamed!
9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, November 30: Office Closed

♥ **Happy Birthday Maria Antonio Vazquez and Danté Sabatino!**

♥ **Happy Anniversary Steven Rodick & Wade Russo!**

5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)
9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, December 01: ✢ World AIDS Day

✲ **Rosa Parks Action (1955)**

♥ **Happy Birthday Hazel!**

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, December 02

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, December 03

✲ **International Day of Persons with Disabilities**

♥ **Happy Birthday King and André!**

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, December 04

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, December 05

✢ **Anniversary of Nelson Mandela (2013)**

♥ **Happy Birthday Marvin Bagwell and Rev. Margaret Hoffmeister!**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 06

✢ **2nd Sunday of Advent**

✯ **Wrap it Up Christmas Campaign!** ✯

♥ **Happy Birthday Jorgé Alvis!**

✢ **The Rev. David Williams, preaching**
(Is. 40:1-5, 9-11 & Mk. 1: 1-8)

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am
1:00 pm 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**

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November 29, 2026 **MCC globally celebrates "57 Years of Offering Our Light to the World"**
✢ 1st Sunday of Advent/World AIDS Sunday **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 **"O Ven, O Ven Emanuel/O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"** **#50/Pink Pages (v. 1-2)**
Please stand as able

✢ *The Lighting of the Advent Wreath* ✢

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

✢ Call to Worship (printed)

✢ The Sign of Peace

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera **Isaías 63:16-19; 64:1-8**
The First Lesson **Isaiah 63:16-19; 64:1-8**

¡Tú eres nuestro padre, O Dios! Aunque Abraham no nos reconozca, ni Israel se acuerde de nosotros, tú, Dios, eres nuestro padre; desde siempre eres nuestro redentor. ¿Por qué, O Dios, haces que nos desviemos de tus caminos, y endureces nuestros corazones para que no te respetemos? Cambia ya, por amor a tus siervos y a las tribus que te pertenecen. ¡Qué poco tiempo tu pueblo santo fue dueño del país! Nuestros enemigos han pisoteado tu templo. Estamos como si tú nunca nos hubieras gobernado, como si nunca hubiéramos llevado tu nombre. Ojalá rasgaras el cielo y bajaras haciendo temblar con tu presencia las montañas, como cuando el fuego quema las zarzas o hace hervir el agua. Entonces tus enemigos conocerían tu nombre y las naciones temblarían ante ti. Cuando hiciste cosas terribles que no esperábamos, cuando bajaste, las montañas temblaron ante ti. Jamás se ha escuchado ni se ha visto que haya otro dios fuera de ti que haga tales cosas en favor de los que en tu confían. Tú aceptas a quien hace el bien con alegría y se acuerda de hacer lo que tú quieres. Tú estás enojado porque hemos pecado; desde hace mucho te hemos ofendido. Todos nosotros somos como una persona impura; todas nuestras buenas obras son como un trapo sucio; todos hemos caído como hojas marchitas, y nuestros crímenes nos arrastran como el viento. No hay nadie que te invoque ni se esfuerce por apoyarse en ti; por eso te ocultaste de nosotros y nos has abandonado por causa de nuestra maldad. Sin embargo, O Dios, tú eres nuestro padre; nosotros somos el barro, tú nuestro alfarero; ¡todos fuimos hechos por ti mismo!

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

For you, O God, are our parent, though Abraham does not know us and Israel does not acknowledge us; you, O God, are our parent; our Redeemer from of old is your name. Why, O God, do you let us stray from your ways and let our heart harden, so that we do not fear you? Turn back for the sake of your servants, the tribes that are your heritage. Your holy people took possession for a little while, but now our adversaries have trampled down your sanctuary. We have long been like those whom you do not rule, like those not called by your name. O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for you. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name or attempts to take hold of you, for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O God, you are our parent; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

+ This is the Word of God
THANKS BE TO GOD

MUSICAL RESPONSE **MCCNY Choir**

La Lección Segunda **Marcos 13:33-37**
The Second Lesson **Mark 13:33-37**

Jesus dijo, "Por lo tanto, manténganse ustedes despiertos y vigilantes, porque no saben cuándo llegará el momento. Deben hacer como en el caso de persona que, estando a punto de irse a otro país, encargó a otros personas que le cuidaran la casa. A cada cual le dejó un trabajo, y ordenó al portero que vigilara. Manténganse ustedes despiertos, porque no saben cuándo va a llegar el ocupante de viviente de la casa, si al anochecer, a la medianoche, al canto del gallo o a la mañana; no sea que la persona venga de repente y los encuentre durmiendo. Lo que les digo a ustedes se lo digo a todos: ¡Manténganse despiertos!"

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

Jesus said, "Beware, keep alert, for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a householder going on a journey, when the householder leaves home and puts others in charge, each with their work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake, for you do not know when the head of the house will come, in the evening or at midnight or at cockcrow or at dawn, or else the head of the house may find you asleep when they come suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

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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 ✢ Pledge Cards may be placed in the offering — 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

"Abranse los Cielos"	#1/Pink Pages
"Heir of All the Waiting Ages"	#29/Pink Pages
"The Hills are Bare at Bethlehem"	#63/Pink Pages

CLOSING SONG — "Keep Hope Alive" — *Please stand as able*

Keep hope alive, Keep hope alive—
Don't let the Dream die—
Got to keep hope alive . . .

BENEDICTION

♥ *Everyone is welcome to join in a light 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.

TRANSGENDER SUICIDE HOTLINE (Trans Lifeline): 877-565-8860

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Call to Worship

One: Stay awake and watch for the Promise before us.

ALL: GATHER WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS TO RETHINK AND REBUILD.

One: Out of our waiting and prayers, God calls us to rise and work for justice.

ALL: WE LIFT OUR VOICES IN HOPE, TRUSTING THAT ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE ONE WHO SAVES US.

One: Come, let us worship in faith and hope.

ALL: MARANATHA! COME QUICKLY, O BLESSED CHILD OF GOD!

+ *The Sign of Peace*





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