



One Flock, One Shepherd

April is Arab American History Month and STD Awareness Month

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

- + **4th SUNDAY of EASTER!**
- + **Global Day of Prayer to End Famine**
- + **The Rev. David Williams, preaching**
(Acts 4: 8-12 & John 10: 11-18)

- 8:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 9am
- 9:00 am **Traditional Liturgy** Live-streamed!
- 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am
- 11:00 am **Celebration Liturgy** Live-streamed!
Blessing of Alejandro Luna
- 6:00 pm Queer Muslim Gathering
- 9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, April 22: Office Closed

- ❖ **Passover begins** ❖ **Earth Day!**
- ♥ **Happy Birthday Deb Krusmark!**
- 5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)
- 9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, April 23

- ♥ **Happy Birthday Rev. John Gill!**
- 1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)
- 5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)
- 6:30 pm **Board of Directors Meeting (Zoom)**
- 9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Wednesday, April 24

- ♥ **Happy Birthday Rev. Uthasyo!**
- 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)**
- 6:30 pm **Queer Seder**
- 9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

2024: We are the Church Alive!

Thursday, April 25

- ♥ **Happy Birthday Kristen Lovell!**
- 5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)
- 6:00 pm **Covenanted Bible/Theology Study w/Rev. Reg via Zoom**
- 7:00 pm Restoration Temple Rehearsal
- 9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Friday, April 26

- ♥ **Happy Birthday Brendan Fay!**
- 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, April 27

- ♥ **Happy Birthday Joan DiBlasi!**
- ♥ **Happy Anniv. John Madera & Bob France!**
- 9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

- + **5th SUNDAY of EASTER!**
- ♥ **Happy Anniv. Jessie Daniels & Amanda!**
- + **The Rev. Pat Bumgardner, preaching**
(Acts 9: 26-31 & John 15: 1-8)

- 8:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 9am
- 9:00 am **Traditional Liturgy**
- 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am
- 11:00 am **Celebration Liturgy**
- 9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

* **9am & 11am CELEBRATION LIVE-STREAMED EVERY SUNDAY!**
* **Pantry and shelter remain open. + For pastoral calls: 332-400-7488**

CHANGE:
MCCNY has a new phone#:
332-400-7488

Please make sure the Church has your
cell phone number and email address!
Send to: **RvPatMCCNY@aol.com**



April 21, 2024
+ 4th Sunday of Easter

MCC globally celebrates "55 Years of Offering Our Light to the World"
52nd Anniversary Year at MCCNY: We are the Church Alive!

The Community at Worship 11am

ASL Interpreter (First, second, and third Sundays of the month and special celebrations)

Pat Dash



PRELUDE

Udi Gershuni, Music Director
Heidi Siegell, Song Leader

PROCESSION

"Joyful People, Come and Worship"

#126/Hymnal

Please stand as able

WELCOME

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

+ *Thank you, Alejandro Luna and Alberto Oliart*

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera

Hechos 4: 8-12

The First Lesson

Acts 4: 8-12

Pedro, lleno del Espíritu Santo, les contestó a los gobernantes y ancianos: "Jefes del pueblo y ancianos: ustedes nos preguntan acerca del bien hecho a un enfermo, para saber de qué manera ha sido sanado. Pues bien, declaramos ante ustedes y ante todo el pueblo de Israel que esta persona que está aquí, delante de todos, ha sido sanado en el nombre de Jesucristo de Nazaret, el mismo a quien ustedes crucificaron y a quien Dios resucitó. Este Jesús es la piedra que ustedes los constructores despreciaron, pero que se ha convertido en la piedra principal. En ningún otro hay salvación, porque en todo el mundo Dios no nos ha dado otra persona por la cual podamos salvarnos."

+ **Esta es la Palabra de Dios**

TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to the rulers, elders and scribes, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are being asked how this person has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this person is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

+ **This is the Word of God**

THANKS BE TO GOD

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda

Juan 10: 11-18

The Second Lesson

John 10: 11-18

Jesús dijo, "Yo soy el buen pastor. El buen pastor da su vida por las ovejas; pero la persona que trabaja solamente por la paga, cuando ve venir al lobo deja las ovejas y huye, porque no es el pastor y porque las ovejas no son suyas. Y el lobo ataca a las ovejas y las dispersa en todas direcciones. Ese persona huye porque lo único que le importa es la paga, y no las ovejas. Yo soy el buen pastor. Así como Dios me conoce a mí y yo conozco a Dios, así también yo conozco a mis ovejas y ellas me conocen a mí. Yo doy mi vida por las ovejas. También tengo otras ovejas que no son de este redil; y también a ellas debo traerlas. Ellas me obedecerán, y formarán un solo rebaño, con un solo pastor. Dios me ama porque yo doy mi vida para volverla a recibir. Nadie me quita la vida, sino que yo la doy por mi propia voluntad. Tengo el derecho de darla y de volver a recibirla. Esto es lo que me ordenó Dios."

+ **Esta es la Palabra de Dios**

TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down their life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, just as God knows me, and I know God. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason God loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from God."

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

SELECTION

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. David Williams
Pastor, Christ the Liberator MCC

SPECIAL MUSIC

Philip Pares

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 Brenton Buchannan
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

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

#234/Hymnal

"Tal Como Soy"

#222/Hymnal

"Amor de Jesús Nos Unio"

#15/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"Resucito"

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Please stand as able

BENEDICTION

❖ *Everyone is welcome to a reception following the service!*

+ *Stained Glass by Jackson Hall*

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: All worship celebrations (9am Traditional and 11am Celebration) are now live-streamed. Go to [facebook.com/mccny](https://www.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

SUPPORT MCCNY!

Options abound!

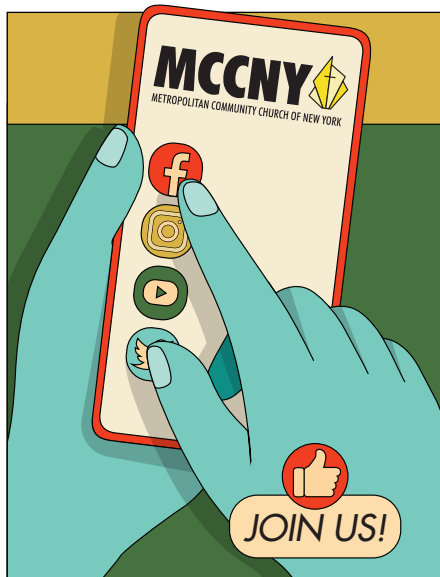


- Sign up for one time or recurring giving at www.easytithes.com/mccny
- Donate by text message by sending any numerical amount to **646-681-7445**

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! 332-400-7488



Connect with MCCNY

Website: www.mccny.org

Facebook: MCCNY

Instagram: @m_c_c_n_y

Youtube: @MCCNewYork

Twitter: MCCNewYork

Resucitó

Resucitó, resucitó, resucitó, aleluya.
Aleyua, aleyua, aleluya, resucitó.

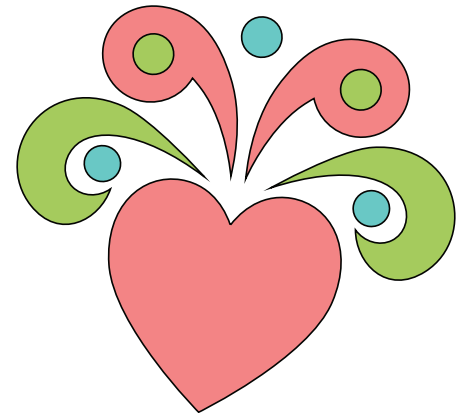
La muerte. ¿Dónde está la muerte?
¿Dónde está mi muerte? ¿Dónde su victoria?

Resucitó, resucitó, resucitó, aleluya.
Aleyua, aleyua, aleluya, resucitó.

Aleyua, aleyua, aleluya, resucitó.

La muerte. ¿Dónde está la muerte?
¿Dónde está mi muerte? ¿Dónde su victoria?

Resucitó, resucitó, resucitó, aleluya.
Aleyua, aleyua, aleluya, resucitó.



Why I Give to MCCNY

I give because I am grateful –
I am grateful for the people I have met in this place.

I give because I am thankful –
that the gospel of Jesus Christ is preached in this
place in more ways than just words.

I give because I am thankful –
that MCCNY provides a safe space not just for gay
men and lesbians, but also for our trans and bi
siblings and our straight allies too.

I give because I am grateful –
that our trans siblings find a source of inspiration
and community.

I give because I am grateful –
For the preaching and teachings that have taken
place here.

I am grateful –
For our musicians and singers and choir who bring
healing, joy, and awake our conscious with their
notes and songs.

I give because I am thankful –
that I have had opportunities to volunteer time and
skills in this space.

I give because I am thankful –
Not just for Easter and Christmas services, but for our
unique Homecoming service when everyone returns and
the hustle and bustle of new activities and old ones
begin anew.

I give because God is alive and the Holy Spirit moves
us in so many ways . . . in this space.

I give because I am grateful –
that as MCCNY'ers, along with our straight friends
and allies . . . we are so diverse and we create many
ways to show love, inspire and claim each other as
children of God.

I give because I am thankful –
that at times I can give more and sometimes I can only
give less and there is no guilt or shaming about it.

I give because I am grateful –
That I can connect with you, my siblings and we worship
God and sing our praises....

TOGETHER!!!!

—Maribelle Vazquez

PASTORAL STAFF

The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner	Pastor
The Rev. Dr. Brett Degoldi	Staff Clergy
The Rev. Reg Richburg	Staff Clergy
The Rev. Dr. Jim Merritt	Staff Clergy
Udi Gershuni	Director of Music
Heidi Siegell	Music Ministry
The Little Big Band	

MCCNY Charities

LaDedra Brown	HYS Program Manager
Kailiah Hayes	Food Pantry Manager

LAY DELEGATES

Deacon Brenton Buchannan	Deacon Jen Heyward
John Fischer	Mary Jane Gibney, alternate

BOARD OF DEACONS

Deacon Brenton Buchannan	Deacon Philip Pares
Deacon Tressie Carter	Deacon Len Richardson
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Deacon Les LaRue	

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Bp. Pat Bumgardner	Moderator
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PROGRAMMING

Religious Education/Membership

Bishop Reg Richburg	Facilitator
Deacon Tressie Carter	Membership

Christians of African Descent

Deacon Brenton Buchannan	Facilitator
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E-Prayer Group

Deacon Jen Heyward	Facilitator
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Hospitality	Deacon Brenton Buchannan
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Newsletter/Bulletin

Deacon Frances Wood	<i>The Query</i> Editor
Deacon Les LaRue	<i>The Query</i> /Bulletin Design

Audio & Virtual Ministries

John Phelps	
Live-streaming	Bob Ferrara
Virtual Worship Leader	

Web Sites

John Phelps

ASL Interpreter

Pat Dash

Instagram and Facebook