



World in Crisis

+ April is Fair Housing/Arab American Heritage/STD Awareness Month

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

+ 4th Sunday of Easter

♥ Happy Birthday Brendan Fay!

+ Ms. Tonie Boykin, preaching

(Acts 2: 14, 36-41 & Jn. 10: 1-10)

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am

11:00 am Celebration Liturgy Live-streamed!

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, April 27: Office Closed

♥ Happy Birthday Joan DeBlasi!

♥ Happy Anniversary John Madera & Bob France!

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, April 28

♥ Happy Anniversary Amanda Lugg & Jessie Daniels!

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, April 29

♥ Happy Birthday Lila Malau-Gibney & Sunshine Degoldi!

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

Thursday, April 30

9:00 am Food Pantry

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

2026: A Year of Resilience!

Thursday, April 30 (continued)

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

May is Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage and National Foster Care Month

Friday, May 01: Feast of Joseph the Worker

+ Friendship Day!

♥ Happy Birthday Ted Bohn & Jules Netherland!

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, May 02

♥ Happy Birthday Stan Kimer & Rev. Jim Mitulski!

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, MAY 03

+ 5th Sunday of Easter

★ World Press Freedom Day

+ The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching

(Acts 6: 1-7 & John 14: 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!

Send to: RvPatMCCNY@aol.com

MCCNY 
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NEW YORK

April 26, 2026
✚ 4th Sunday of Easter

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

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

"The Day of Resurrection"

Printed

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

Hechos 2: 14, 36-41

Acts 2: 14, 36-41

Pedro se puso de pie junto con los otros once apóstoles, y con voz fuerte dijo: "Pueblos de Judea y todos los que viven en Jerusalén, sepan ustedes esto y oigan bien lo que les voy a decir. Sepa todo el pueblo de Israel, con toda seguridad, que este mismo Jesús a quien ustedes crucificaron, Dios lo ha hecho Soberano y Mesías." Cuando los allí reunidos oyeron esto, se afligieron profundamente, y preguntaron a Pedro y a los otros apóstoles: "Amigos, ¿qué debemos hacer?" Pedro les contestó: "Vuélvanse a Dios y bautícense cada uno en el nombre de Jesucristo, para que Dios les perdone sus pecados, y así Dios les dará el Espíritu Santo. Porque esta promesa es para ustedes y para sus niños, y también para todos los que están lejos; es decir, para todos aquellos a quienes nuestro Dios quiera llamar." Con éstas y otras palabras, Pedro les habló y les aconsejó, diciéndoles: "¡Apártense de esta gente perversa!" Así pues, los que hicieron caso de su mensaje fueron bautizados; y aquel día se agregaron a los creyentes unas tres mil personas.

✚ **Esta es la Palabra de Dios**

TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: "People of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made Jesus both Sovereign and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Friends, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom God calls." And Peter testified with many other arguments and exhorted them saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed this message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

✚ **This is the Word of God**

THANKS BE TO GOD

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda

The Second Lesson

Juan 10: 1-10

John 10: 1-10

Jesús dijo: "Les aseguro que la persona que no entra en el redil de las ovejas por la puerta es un ladrón y un bandido. Pero la persona que entra por la puerta es el pastor que cuida las ovejas. El portero le abre la puerta por el pastor, y el pastor llama a cada oveja por su nombre, y las ovejas reconocen la voz del pasator; el pastor las saca del redil, y cuando ya han salido todas, el pastor camina delante de ellas, y las ovejas lo siguen porque reconocen la voz del pastor. En cambio, a un desconocido no lo siguen, sino que huyen del desconocido, porque desconocen la voz del desconocido." Jesús les puso esta comparación, pero ellos no entendieron lo que Jesús les quería decir. Jesús volvió a decirles: "Esto les aseguro: Yo soy la puerta por donde pasan las ovejas. Todos los que vinieron antes de mí, fueron unos ladrones y unos bandidos; pero las ovejas no les hicieron caso. Yo soy la puerta: la persona que por mí entre, se salvará. Será como una oveja que entra y sale y encuentra pastos. El ladrón viene solamente para robar, matar y destruir; pero yo he venido para que tengan vida, y para que la tengan en abundancia."

✚ **Esta es la Palabra de Dios**

TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for the shepherd, and the sheep hear the voice of the shepherd. The shepherd calls the sheep by name and leads them out. When the shepherd has brought out all who belong to the shepherd, the shepherd goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know the voice of the shepherd. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from a stranger because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

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

SELECTION

SERMON

**Ms. Tonie Boykin, Lay Preacher
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

"Tal Como Soy"

#222/Hymnal

"Gentle Shepherd"

#70/Hymnal

"Cristo, Cristo"

#47/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"Resucitó"

Printed on reverse side

Please stand as able

BENEDICTION



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

✦ *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](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

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

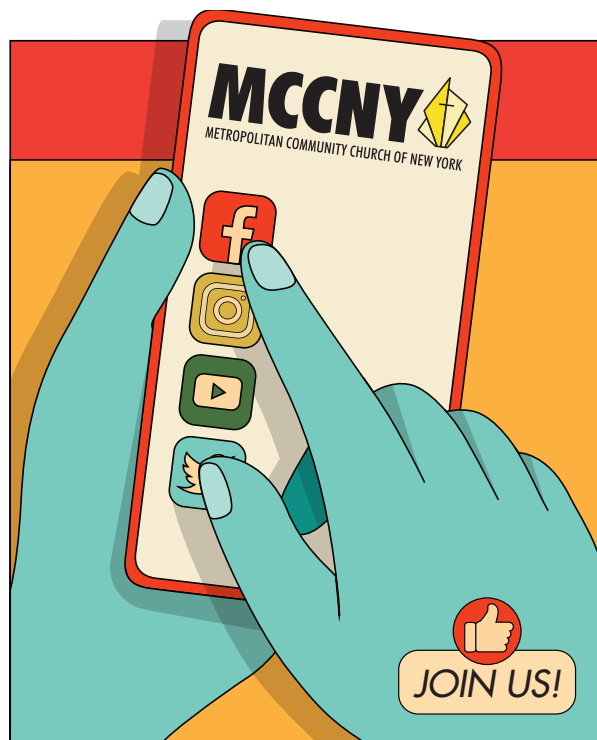
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877-565-8860



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Resucitó

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

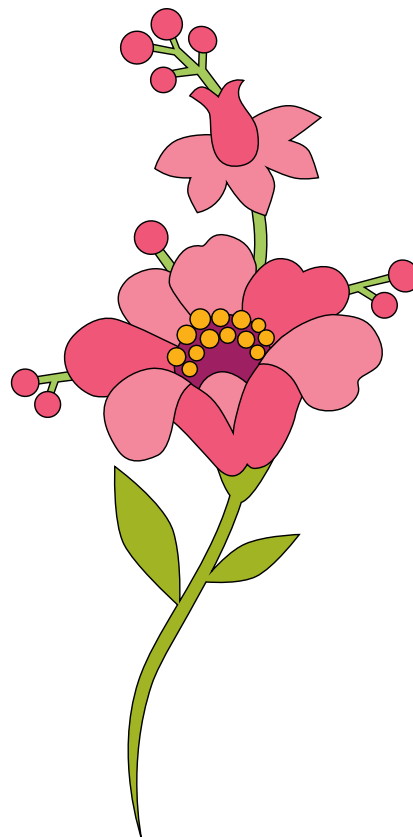
**La muerte. ¿Dónde está la muerte?
¿Dónde está mi muerte? ¿Dónde su victoria?**

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

Aleyua, aleyua, aleluya, resucitó.

**La muerte. ¿Dónde está la muerte?
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WHAT TO DO IF ICE COMES TO YOUR DOOR



DO NOT OPEN DOORS

ICE cannot come in without a signed warrant by a criminal court judge. They can only come in if you let them.



REMAIN SILENT

ICE can use anything you say against you in your immigration case so claim your right to remain silent!

***Say "I plead the fifth amendment and choose to remain silent".**



DO NOT SIGN

Don't sign anything ICE gives you without talking to an attorney.



REPORT & RECORD!

Report immediately: UWD hotline 1-844-363-1423.

Take pictures & video unless you're on federal government property.
Take notes of badge numbers, number of agents, time, type of car and exactly what happened!



FIGHT BACK!

Get a trustworthy attorney & explore all options to fight your case. If detained, you may be able to get bail - don't give up hope! Join your local team to defend yourself from enforcement!



Know Your Power

Record and Report:

Step 1 - Ensure Audio and recording is on and ready to be used and linked to a cloud.

Step 2 - Get information of the officer's, name, badge and agency.

Step 3 - Narrate the date, time and location of event.

Step 4 - Do not disclose the information of your loved ones or yourself to the agents.

Step 5 - Report it to the **MigraWatch** Hotline and send your video/pics to migrawatch@unitedwedream.org

Always remember you have the power to make choices, you have a choice over your safety, how you respond and what you choose to share.

To learn more about your power and your rights visit:

unitedwedream.org/knowyourpower

While asserting our rights does not guarantee the stop of arrest at the moment, it is important to exercise our rights to facilitate our defense. You are not alone. Our movement is ready to support you, fight for your freedom, and reclaim the humanity of our community.





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