



Make my life better!

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

+ **3rd Sunday in Lent**
+ **2nd Sunday in Women's History Month**

+ **The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching**
(Ex. 17: 3-7 & John 4: 5-15)

* **Time "Springs Forward" 1 hour**

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

Monday, March 13: Office Closed

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

Tuesday, March 14

♥ **Happy Birthday Jesse James & Maria-Elena Grant!**

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, March 15

♥ **Happy Birthday Gerald Tucker!**

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

March is Women's History Month

2023: "Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me 'Round"

Thursday, March 16

♥ **Happy Birthday Beth Kling!**

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

Friday, March 17

+ **Feast of St. Patrick**

12:15 pm **Taize Prayer w/Rev. Brett & Tonie Boykin (Facebook)**
5:00 pm The Gary Skala Drop-in Clinic (HYS—to 8pm)
9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Saturday, March 18

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

+ **4th Sunday in Lent**
+ **3rd Sunday in Women's History Month**

+ **The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching**
(I Sam. 16:1, 6-12 & John 9: 1-3, 9-12)

8:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 9am
9:00 am **Traditional Liturgy** Live-streamed!
10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am
11:00am **Celebration Liturgy** Live-streamed!
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

MCCNY 
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NEW YORK

March 12, 2023
✦ 3rd Sunday in Lent
2nd Sunday in Women's History Month

MCC globally celebrates "53 Years of Offering Our Light to the World"
51st Anniversary Year at MCCNY: "Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me 'Round"

The Community at Worship 11am

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

Pat Dash



PRELUDE

Evan Swanson, Director of Music
Carolyn Traore, soloist

PROCESSION

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

#87/Hymnal

Please stand as able

WELCOME

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

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera

Éxodo 17: 3-7

The First Lesson

Exodus 17: 3-7

El pueblo tenía sed a Refidim y hablaron en contra de Moisés. Decían: "¿Para qué nos hiciste salir de Egipto? ¿Para matarnos de sed, junto con nuestros niños y nuestros animales?" Moisés clamó entonces a Dios: "¿Qué voy a hacer con esta gente? ¡Un poco más y me matan a pedradas!" Y Dios le contestó a Moisés: "Pasa delante del pueblo, y hazte acompañar de algunos ancianos de Israel. Llévate también el bastón con que golpeaste el río, y ponte en marcha. Yo estaré esperándote allá en el monte Horeb, sobre la roca. Cuando golpees la roca, saldrá agua de ella para que beba la gente." Moisés lo hizo así, a la vista de los ancianos de Israel, y llamó a aquel lugar Meribá porque los israelitas le habían hecho reclamaciones, y también lo llamó Masá porque habían puesto a prueba a Dios, al decir: "¿Está o no está Dios con nosotros?"

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

The people thirsted at Rephidim for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to God, "What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me." God said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. Moses called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested God, saying, "Is God among us or not?"

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

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda

Juan 4: 5-15

The Second Lesson

John 4: 5-15

Jesús llegó a un pueblo de Samaria que se llamaba Sicar, cerca del terreno que Jacob había dado en herencia a su niño José. Allí estaba el pozo de Jacob. Jesús, cansado del camino, se sentó junto al pozo. Era cerca del mediodía. Los discípulos habían ido al pueblo a comprar algo de comer. En eso, una mujer de Samaria llegó al pozo a sacar agua, y Jesús le dijo: "Dame un poco de agua." Pero como los israelitas no tienen trato con los samaritanos, la mujer le respondió: "¿Cómo es que tú, siendo israelita, me pides agua a mí, que soy samaritana?" Jesús le contestó: "Si supieras lo que Dios da y quién es la persona que te está pidiendo agua, tú le pedirías a la persona, y la persona te daría agua viva." La mujer le dijo a Jesús, "Ni siquiera tienes con qué sacar agua, y el pozo es muy hondo: ¿de dónde vas a darme agua viva? Nuestro antepasado Jacob nos dejó este pozo, del que Jacob mismo bebía y del que bebían también sus niños y sus animales. ¿Acaso eres tú más que Jacob?" Jesús le contestó: "Todos los que beben de esta agua, volverán a tener sed; pero la persona que beba del agua que yo le daré, nunca volverá a tener sed. Porque el agua que yo le daré se convertirá en él en manantial de agua que brotará dándole vida eterna." La mujer le dijo a Jesús: "Dame de esa agua, para que no vuelva yo a tener sed ni tenga que venir aquí a sacar agua."

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TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his child Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by the journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (The disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to Jesus, "How is it that you, an Israelite, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Israelites do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked me, and I would have given you living water." The woman said to Jesus, "You have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well and with his children and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to Jesus, "Give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

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THANKS BE TO GOD**

SELECTION

Choir

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!

~ Please prayerfully consider direct donations through your bank or credit card giving.

THE CELEBRATION AND SHARING OF COMMUNION

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

Celebrated in Memory of Frank Moreno (d. 03/14/11)

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

"Dame, mi Buen Cristo"

#48/Hymnal

"No Hay Otro Nombre"

#143/Hymnal

"Oh, Qué Amigo"

#172/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"We've Come This Far by Faith"

Please stand as able

We've come this far by faith, leaning on our God—

Trusting in Your Holy Word, You've never failed—us yet—

Oh—can't turn around—we've come this far—by faith . . .

BENEDICTION

✚ *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.

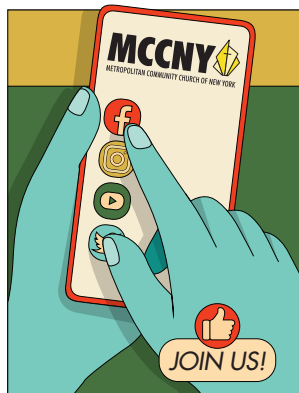
LIVE-STREAMING at MCCNY: Beginning October 2nd, all worship celebrations (9am Traditional and 11am Celebration) will be live-streamed. Go to [facebook.com/mccny](https://www.facebook.com/mccny) and celebrate with your family of faith!

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 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.

MCCNY E-Newsletter: This e-newsletter provides reflections, news and information for members and friends of MCC New York. If you want to subscribe, email Mike Easterling at Mike@mccny.org or text MCCNY to 22828.

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. Please send your information to Mike at Mike@mccny.org



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- Donate by text message by sending any numerical amount to 646-681-7445
- Email Mike (mike.mccny@gmail.com) to have credit giving set up for you

March is Women's History Month!

Easter



Palm Sunday, April 2nd	+ Blessing of Palms + Holy Week Begins
Holy Thursday, April 6th	7pm Foot Washing Service with Candidate Mike Easterling
Good Friday, April 7th	7pm Stations of the Cross and Reading of the Passion + The Rev. Jermaine Green, Unity Fellowship, preaching + Lavender Light Gospel Choir!
Holy Saturday, April 8th	7pm Easter Vigil and Lighting of the New Fire + The Ordination of Candidate Mike Easterling
Easter Sunday, April 9th	11am Celebration! Gala Reception! + The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching

National Women's History Month Theme: *"Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories"*



Ruth Bader Ginsburg was an American lawyer and jurist who served as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1983 until her death in 2020. The 2nd woman to serve, she was the first person of the Jewish faith appointed to the Court. A native of Brooklyn, she went on to study at Cornell, Harvard, and Columbia University. An advocate for gender equality and women's rights, she won several cases before the Supreme Court prior to her appointment. Dubbed "The Notorious R.B.G.," hers is the story of courage, openness to change, and faithfulness to the value and worth of each person's life.



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PROGRAMMING

Religious Education/Membership

Bishop Reg Richburg	Facilitator
Michael Easterling	Membership
Deacon Tressie Carter	Membership

Christians of African Descent

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

Audio & Virtual Ministries

Live-streaming 9am	John Phelps
Live-streaming 11am	Bob Ferrara, audio
Virtual Worship Leader	Shelby Sparks
	Casey Easterling

Web Sites

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ASL Interpreter

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