



“Not everything is lost. Responsibility cannot be lost, it can only be abdicated. If one refuses abdication, one begins again.” —James Baldwin



**February is African American History Month**

# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

**+ 3rd Sunday in African American History Month/1st Sunday in Lent**

**+ Global Day of Prayer to End Famine**

**♥ Happy Birthday Elie Reed!**

**+ The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching**

**9:00 am Traditional Liturgy**

Online ([facebook.com/MCCNY](https://facebook.com/MCCNY))

**11:00am Celebration Liturgy**

Online ([facebook.com/MCCNY](https://facebook.com/MCCNY))

**5:00 pm Music & Message joins 11am Celebration!**

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

**Monday, February 22: Office closed**

**+ Anniv. of Rev. Gayle Parker-Davis' Ordination (2009)**

**♥ Happy Anniversary Rev. Miller & Corrine Bertram!**

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

**Tuesday, February 23**

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

**3:00 pm Virtual Installation of the Rev. Elder Miller Hoffman**

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

**Wednesday, February 24**

**12:15pm Midweek Prayer and Praise! ([facebook.com/mccny](https://facebook.com/mccny))**

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

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

**6:00 pm (to 7:30pm) Q Clinic (now virtual for all clients)**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

**Thursday, February 25**

**♥ Happy Birthday John Normille!**

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

**5:00 pm Covenanted Bible/Theology Study with Rev. Reg via Skype**

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

**Friday, February 26**

**♥ Happy Birthday Carolyn Parker-Davis!**

**12:15 pm Taize Prayer Service with Cand. Brett & Tonie Boykin**

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

**Saturday, February 27**

**♥ Happy Birthday John Simonian!**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

**+ 4th Sunday in African American History Month/2nd Sunday in Lent**

**♥ Birthday Sunday!**

**+ Deacon Len Richardson, preaching**

(Gen. 22: 1-18 & Mk. 9: 2-10)

**9:00 am Traditional Liturgy**

Online ([facebook.com/MCCNY](https://facebook.com/MCCNY))

**11:00am Celebration Liturgy**

Online ([facebook.com/MCCNY](https://facebook.com/MCCNY))

**5:00 pm Music & Message joins 11am Celebration!**

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

**\* ALL WORSHIP SERVICES CONTINUE ONLINE: Go to [facebook.com/MCCNY](https://facebook.com/MCCNY)**  
**\* Pantry and shelter remain open. + For pastoral calls: (212) 629-7440**



Please make sure the Church has your cell phone number and email address!  
Send to: [RvPatMCCNY@aol.com](mailto:RvPatMCCNY@aol.com)



The Community at Worship 11am

## PRELUDE

Jeff Cubeta, Director of Music  
Carolyn Traore, soloist

## PROCESSION

"Lift Every Voice and Sing!"

## WELCOME

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

## THE LESSON

La Lección Primera

Génesis 9: 8-15

The First Lesson

Genesis 9: 8-15

Dios les dijo a Noé y a los niños de Noé: "Miren, yo voy a establecer mi alianza con ustedes y con sus descendientes, y con todos los animales que están con ustedes y que salieron de la barca: aves y animales domésticos y salvajes, y con todos los animales del mundo. Mi alianza con ustedes no cambiará: no volveré a destruir a las personas y animales con un diluvio. Ya no volverá a haber otro diluvio que destruya la tierra. Ésta es la señal de la alianza que para siempre hago con ustedes y con todos los animales: he puesto mi arco iris en las nubes, y servirá como señal de la alianza que hago con la tierra. Cuando yo haga venir nubes sobre la tierra, mi arco iris aparecerá entre ellas. Entonces me acordaré de la alianza que he hecho con ustedes y con todos los animales, y ya no volverá a haber ningún diluvio que los destruya."

**+ Esta es la Palabra de Dios**

**TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS**

God said to Noah and to Noah's children, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set

my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.”

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

## **MUSICAL RESPONSE**

**La Lección Segunda  
The Second Lesson**

**Marcos 1: 12-15  
Mark 1: 12-15**

El Espíritu llevó a Jesús al desierto. Allí estuvo cuarenta días, viviendo entre las fieras y siendo puesto a prueba por Satanás; y los ángeles le servían a Jesús. Después que metieron a Juan en la cárcel, Jesús fue a Galilea a anunciar las buenas noticias de parte de Dios. Jesús decía: “Ya se cumplió el plazo señalado, y el reino de Dios está cerca. Vuélvanse a Dios y acepten con fe las buenas noticias.”

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

The Spirit immediately drove Jesus out into the wilderness. Jesus was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on Jesus. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the reign of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

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

## **SELECTION**

**Jeff Cubeta and MCCNY Musicians**

## **SERMON**

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

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

### **THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

**Offering Call**

#### **+ Special Offering: Global Justice Institute**

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

### **THE CELEBRATION AND SHARING OF COMMUNION**

**The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner  
Candidate Brett DiGoldi**

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**

Metropolitan Community Church of New York 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.**

### **CLOSING SONG**

“Eyes on the Prize”

### **BENEDICTION**

**+ *Stained Glass by Jackson Hall***

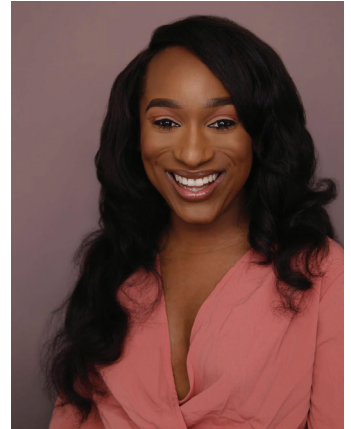


# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

## ASALH 2021 BLACK HISTORY THEME:

### The Black Family: Representation, Identity and Diversity

**Elle Hearn** is an organizer, speaker, strategist, and writer. Elle's voice as a strategist community organizer and speaker were formed from her upbringing in Columbus, Ohio as a youth organizer. Ms. Elle currently is the Executive Director of The Marsha P. Johnson Institute an organization founded in 2015 that works to create a crucial entry point for Black transgender women to advocate for an end to violence against all trans people through advocacy, transformative organizing, restoration, civil disobedience and direct action. The organization is credited for organizing the first ever National Day of Action for Black Trans Women in response to the murders of Amber Monroe, Kandis Capri, and Elisha Walker and held organized events in multiple cities including New York City, Chicago, and Washington DC. As a speaker Elle has delivered keynotes and talks at Harvard University, the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, The Public Theatre, and for The National Lawyers Guild, Columbia University, Stanford University and NYU.



<https://ellehearns.com/>

<https://marshap.org/>

**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 212-629-7440.

**CHRISTIANS OF AFRICAN DESCENT (C.A.D.)** is part of the overall spiritual environment of MCCNY. For more information, call the Church office at 212-629-7440 or see Deacon Tressie or Aaron Lee Battle to talk about future plans.

**GENDERPEOPLE OF MCCNY meets every Sunday at 12:30pm**, hosted by Moshay Moses. We are a dynamic and confidential spirituality group of Transgender, Transsexual, Androgynous, Two-Spirit, and people with other than man–male or female–woman gender experience. For further information, see Moshay Moses or call 212-629-7440 ext. 221. **Next “Bread of Life” dinner (Trans Community) and Rev. Pat’s Finishing School. Suspended due to Covid-19.**

**BIBLE STUDY & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** The Queer Life & Faith religious education program is led by Bishop Reg Richburg every Thursday at 6 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.

**FIND MCCNY ON THE WEB** at [www.mccny.org](http://www.mccny.org) • Facebook: /MCCNY • Youtube: /MCCNYC • Twitter: MCCNewYork • iTunes:mccny • Vimeo: /MCCNY

**MCCNY E-Prayer Ministry:** If you would like to participate or send prayer requests, please contact [prayers@mccny.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:Mike@mccny.org)

# Support MCCNY!!!

## Options abound!



- Sign up for one time or recurring giving at [www.easytithe.com/mccny](http://www.easytithe.com/mccny)
- Donate by text message by sending any numerical amount to 646-681-7445
- Email Mike ([mike.mccny@gmail.com](mailto:mike.mccny@gmail.com)) to have credit giving set up for you



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The Rev. Pang Wai Yep	Staff Clergy/Hong Kong
The Rev. Reg Richburg	Staff Clergy
The Rev. Dr. Jim Merritt	Staff Clergy
Jeff Cubeta	Director of Music
Carolyn Eufrazio-Traore	Music & Message Director
The Little Big Band	

### MCCNY Charities

Valentina Mota	HYS Development Associate
LaDedra Brown	HYS Program Manager
Mississippi Sewell	Client Services Assistant
Kailiah Hayes	Food Pantry Manager

### LAY DELEGATES

Deacon Brenton Buchanan	Mike Easterling
John Fischer	Deacon Jen Heyward
Casey Easterling	Mary Jane Gibney, alternate

### STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY

Brett Di Goldi	Candidate
Mike Easterling	Candidate
Margot Wagner	.Intern

### BOARD OF DEACONS

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Deacon Tressie Carter	Deacon Len Richardson
Deacon Jen Heyward	Deacon Frances Wood
Deacon Les LaRue	

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## PROGRAMMING

### Religious Education/Membership

Bishop Reg Richburg	Facilitator
The Rev. Dr. Boon Lin Ngeo	Facilitator
Michael Easterling	Membership
Deacon Tressie Carter	Membership

### GenderPeople

Moshay Moses	Facilitator
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### Christians of African Descent

Deacon Brenton Buchannan	Facilitator
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### E-Prayer Group

Deacon Jen Heyward	Facilitator
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Hospitality	Aaron Lee Battle
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Welcoming Team	Casey Easterling
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### Newsletter/Bulletin

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

Audio/Video Ministry	John Phelps
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Web Sites	John Phelps
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ASL Interpreter	Pat Dash
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Finishing School/ Bread of Life Dinner	Mel Bryant
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