



Only Us?

May is A/PI Month & National Foster Care Month!

2022: Leading with Our Legacy

SUNDAY, MAY 22

+ **6th SUNDAY of EASTER!**

♥ **Happy Birthday Pat Dash!**

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

(Acts 15:1-2,22-29 & John 14:23-29)

8:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 9am

9:00 am **Traditional Liturgy**

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am

11:00am **Celebration Liturgy** Live-streamed!

12:30 pm Genderpeople w/Moshay Moses is on break

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, May 23: Office Closed

♥ **Happy Victoria Day, Rev. Brett!**

♥ **Happy Birthday Deacon Jen & Damon Bishop!**

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, May 24

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, May 25

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

Thursday, May 26: + **Ascension Thursday**

5:00 pm Covenanted Bible/Theology Study w/Rev. Reg via Zoom

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Friday, May 27

12:15 pm Taize Prayer w/Rev. Brett & Tonie Boykin
(facebook.com/mccny)

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, May 28

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, MAY 29

+ **7th SUNDAY of EASTER!**

+ **Feast of the Ascension**

+ **Mike Easterling, preaching**

(Acts 1:11 & John 17:20-25)

8:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 9am

9:00 am **Traditional Liturgy**

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* **11AM CELEBRATION LIVE-STREAMED EVERY SUNDAY!**

* **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

MCCNY 
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NEW YORK

May 22, 2022
✦ 6th Sunday of Easter

MCC globally celebrates "53 Years of Offering Our Light to the World"
50th Anniversary Year at MCCNY: Leading with Our Legacy

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

"Blest be the Tie"

#126/Hymnal
Please stand as able

WELCOME

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

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera
The First Lesson

Hechos 15: 1-2,22-29
Acts 15: 1-2,22-29

Algunos que habían ido de Judea a Antioquía comenzaron a enseñar a la comunidad que no podían salvarse si no se sometían al rito de la circuncisión, conforme a la práctica establecida por Moisés. Pablo y Bernabé tuvieron una fuerte discusión con ellos, y por fin Pablo, Bernabé y algunos otros fueron nombrados para ir a Jerusalén a tratar este asunto con los apóstoles y ancianos de la iglesia de aquella ciudad. Los apóstoles y los ancianos, con toda la iglesia, decidieron escoger algunos de entre ellos y enviarlos a Antioquía junto con Pablo y Bernabé. Nombraron a Judas, que también se llamaba Barsabás, y a Silas, personas de importancia entre la comunidad, y con ellos mandaron la siguiente carta: "Nosotros los apóstoles y los ancianos de ustedes saludamos a la comunidad gentil y que viven en Antioquía, Siria y Cilicia. Hemos sabido que algunas personas han ido de aquí sin nuestra autorización, y que los han molestado a ustedes con sus palabras, y los han confundido. Por eso, de común acuerdo, nos ha parecido bien nombrar a algunos de entre nosotros para que vayan a verlos a ustedes junto con nuestros muy queridos personas Bernabé y Pablo, quienes han puesto sus vidas en peligro por la causa de Jesucristo. Así que les enviamos a Judas y a Silas: ellos hablarán personalmente con ustedes para explicarles todo esto. Pues ha parecido bien al Espíritu Santo y a nosotros no imponer sobre ustedes ninguna carga aparte de estas cosas necesarias: que no coman carne de animales ofrecidos en sacrificio a los ídolos, que no coman sangre ni carne de animales estrangulados y que eviten los matrimonios prohibidos. Si se guardan de estas cosas, actuarán correctamente. Saludos."

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

Certain individuals came down from Judea and were teaching the community, 'Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.' And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to discuss this question with the apostles and the elders. Then the apostles and the elders, with the consent of the whole church, decided to choose some from among their members and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the community, with the following letter: 'The community, both the apostles and the elders, to the believers of Gentile origin in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. Since we have heard that certain persons who have gone out from us, though with no instructions from us, have said things to disturb you and have unsettled your minds, we have decided unanimously to choose representatives and send them to you, along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have risked their lives for the sake of Jesus Christ. We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to impose on you no further burden than these essentials: that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols and from blood and from what is strangled and from prohibited marriages. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.'

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

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda
The Second Lesson

Juan 14: 23-29
John 14: 23-29

Jesús le contest a Judas (no el Iscariote), "La persona que me ama, hace caso de mi palabra; y Dios lo amará la persona, y Dios yo vendremos a vivir con la persona. La persona que no me ama, no hace caso de mis palabras. Las palabras que ustedes están escuchando no son mías, sino de Dios, que me ha enviado. Les estoy diciendo todo esto mientras estoy con ustedes; pero el Defensor, el Espíritu Santo que Dios va a enviar en mi nombre, les enseñará todas las cosas y les recordará todo lo que yo les he

dicho. Les dejo la paz. Les doy mi paz, pero no se la doy como la dan los que son del mundo. No se angustien ni tengan miedo. Ya me oyeron decir que me voy y que vendré para estar otra vez con ustedes. Si de veras me amaran, se habrían alegrado al saber que voy a Dios, porque Dios es más que yo. Les digo esto de antemano para que, cuando suceda, entonces crean.”

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TE ALABAMOS, O DIOS**

Jesus answered Judas (not Iscariot), “Those who love me will keep my word, and God will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from God who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom God will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to God, because God is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

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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

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
The Rev. Dr. Brett Degoldi**

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

“O Christ, the Healer”

#150/Hymnal

“De Colores”

#50/Hymnal

“Thy Loving Kindness . . .”

#242/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

“Resucitó”

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Please stand as able**

BENEDICTION

+ *Stained Glass by Jackson Hall*

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.

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Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days. To place your order, go to:

<https://www.covidtests.gov/>

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.

GENDERPEOPLE OF MCCNY hosted by Moshay Moses, is taking a break! 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.

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

Support MCCNY!!!

Options abound!



- Sign up for one time or recurring giving at www.easytihe.com/mccny
- 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

**ELECTRONIC
RECURRING
GIVING**

WHAT IT MEANS FOR MCCNY:

CURRENTLY, 43 PEOPLE ARE RECURRING GIVERS WITH DONATIONS TOTALING \$3500 A MONTH.

AVERAGE DONATION IS \$20 A WEEK.

IMAGINE IF

7 MORE PEOPLE BECOME \$20 WEEKLY DONORS:

OUR MONTHLY TOTAL WILL BE \$4060!

AND IF 17 MORE PEOPLE SIGN UP FOR RECURRING GIVING AT \$20 A WEEK

OUR MONTHLY TOTAL WILL BE \$4860!



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