



I Shall Not Be Moved!

October is Domestic Violence/Nat'l Arts & Humanities/Queer History/Pastor Appreciation Month!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

+ 4th Sunday after Homecoming!

+ The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching
(Ex. 17: 8-13 & Luke 18: 1-8)

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am

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

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, October 20: Office Closed

♣ Asexual Awareness Week

♥ **Happy Birthday Rev. Robert Griffin, Gareth, and Bradley Curry!**

♥ **Happy Ordination Anniversary Rev. Robert!**

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, October 21

+ Global Day of Prayer to End Famine

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

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

7:00 pm Lavender Light Rehearsal (sanctuary)

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Wednesday, October 22

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

2025: Safe & Sound—Hold Your Ground!

Thursday, October 23

9:00 am Food Pantry

1:00 pm Lunch Distribution (until 3pm)

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 **Board of Directors via Zoom**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Friday, October 24

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, October 25

♥ **Happy Birthday Valerie King!**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

+ 32nd Anniversary of 1st Service at "446"

+ Reformation Sunday

+ Intersex Awareness Day

+ The Rev. Elder Miller Hoffman, preaching
(Eccl. 35: 12-17 & Luke 18: 9-14)

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am

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

12:45 pm **Movieola!** (see ad)

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

*** 11am CELEBRATION LIVE-STREAMED EVERY SUNDAY! (9am ON SUMMER RECESS)**

*** 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

October 19, 2025
✚ 4th Sunday after Homecoming

MCC globally celebrates "57 Years of Offering Our Light to the World"
53rd Anniversary Year at MCCNY: Safe & Sound—Hold Your Ground!

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
Heidi Siegel, Song Leader

PROCESSION

"Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior"

#182/Hymnal

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

Éxodo 17: 8-13

Exodus 17: 8-13

Los amalecitas se dirigieron a Refidim para pelear contra los israelitas. Entonces Moisés le dijo a Josué: "Escoge algunos soldados y sal a pelear contra los amalecitas. Yo estaré mañana en lo alto del monte, con el bastón de Dios en la mano." Josué hizo lo que Moisés le ordenó, y salió a pelear contra los amalecitas. Mientras tanto, Moisés, Aarón y Hur subieron a lo alto del monte. Cuando Moisés levantaba su brazo, los israelitas dominaban en la batalla; pero cuando Moisés lo bajaba, dominaban los amalecitas. Pero como a Moisés se le cansaban los brazos, tomaron una piedra y se la pusieron debajo, para que se sentara en ella. Luego Aarón y Hur le sostuvieron los brazos, uno de un lado y el otro del otro. De esta manera los brazos de Moisés se mantuvieron firmes hasta que el sol se puso, y Josué derrotó al ejército amalecita a filo de espada.

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

Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, "Choose some troops for us and go out; fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." So Joshua did as Moses told him and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed, and whenever Moses lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses's hands grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under Moses, and Moses sat on it. Aaron and Hur held up Moses' hands, one on either side, so his hands were steady until the sun set. And Joshua defeated Amalek and the Amelekites with the sword.

+ This is the Word of God
THANKS BE TO GOD

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda

The Second Lesson

Lucas 18: 1-8

Luke 18: 1-8

Jesús contó una parábola a los discípulos para enseñarles que debían orar siempre, sin desanimarse. Jesús les dijo: "Había en un pueblo un juez que ni temía a Dios ni respetaba a las personas. En el mismo pueblo había también una viuda que tenía un pleito y que fue al juez a pedirle justicia contra su adversario. Durante mucho tiempo el juez no quiso atenderla, pero después pensó: 'Aunque ni temo a Dios ni respeto a las personas, sin embargo, como esta viuda no deja de molestarme, la voy a defender, para que no siga viniendo y acabe con mi paciencia.' Y Jesús añadió: "Esto es lo que dijo el juez malo. Pues bien, ¿acaso Dios no defenderá también a los escogidos, que claman a Dios día y noche? ¿Dio los hará esperar? Les digo que Dios los defenderá sin demora. Pero cuando el Niño de la Humanidad venga, ¿encontrará todavía fe en la tierra?"

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

Jesus told the disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. Jesus said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to the judge and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' For a while the judge refused, but later said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And Jesus said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to the chosen ones who cry to God day and night? Will God delay long in helping them? I tell you, God will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Child of Humanity comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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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 Buchanan
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

"No Hay Oyro Nombre"

#143/Hymnal

"Oh, Qué Amigo"

#172/Hymnal

"Cristo, Cristo"

#47/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"I Shall Not Be Moved"

Please stand as able

*I shall not be, I shall not be moved (2x)
Just like a tree that's planted by the wa—ter
I shall not be moved.*

*The Church of God is marching, I shall not be moved (2x)
Just like a tree that's planted by the wa—ter
I shall not be moved.*

*When my burden's heavy, I shall not be moved (2x)
Just like a tree that's planted by the wa—ter
I shall not be moved.*

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 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.

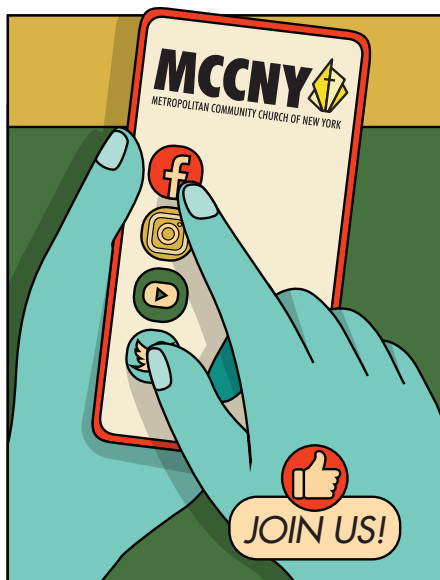
PLEASE REMEMBER to list the Church and our phone number among those to be contacted in case of illness or an emergency. Church Pastors will contact and visit you.

MCCNY has a new phone number! 332-400-7488

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MCCNY**



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NEW Special Toll Free
Suicide & Mental Health Hotline
for LGBTQ+ Community:

1-877-330-6366

Thank you, Canada!

**TRANSGENDER
SUICIDE HOTLINE**
(Trans Lifeline):
877-565-8860

FLOOD RELIEF



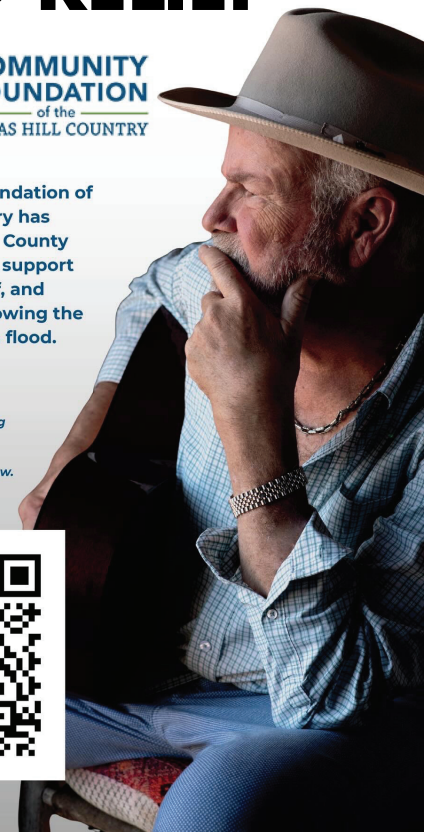
**COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**
of the
TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

The Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country has established the Kerr County Flood Relief Fund to support local response, relief, and recovery efforts following the devastating July 4th flood.

All donations will directly benefit organizations working on the front lines of this emergency. Full details are available at the QR code below.



<https://tinyurl.com/KerrFloodRelief>



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!

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@UnitedWeDream



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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Text **KnowYourPower** 877-877

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The Rev. Dr. Jim Merritt	Staff Clergy
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The Little Big Band	

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Deacon Tressie Carter	Membership

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Deacon Brenton Buchannan	Facilitator
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E-Prayer Group

Deacon Jen Heyward	Facilitator
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Deacon Les LaRue	<i>The Query</i> /Bulletin Design

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Live-streaming	John Phelps
Virtual Worship Leader	Bob Ferrara

Web Sites	John Phelps
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ASL Interpreter	Pat Dash
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