



Fire of Desire

November is Native American Peoples Month

2025: Safe & Sound—Hold Your Ground!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

+ Leather Sunday!

+ Trans Sunday of Remembrance

♥ Happy Ordination Anniv. Rev. Michael Hydes!

+ Lay Preacher Cliff Boone debuts!

(Malachi 3:19-20 & Lk. 21:5-19)

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am

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

✦ Rev. Jeff Hood at Reception! ✦

1:00 pm Trans Prayer March (South Side/Union Square)

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Monday, November 17: Office Closed

♥ Happy Birthday Denise Jannsen, Rev. Mona, and André Moreira!

10:00 am Press Conference/Rev. Jess Hood (Gallery)

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

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Tuesday, November 18

♥ Happy Birthday Norma Sharp, Nic Wilbon, and Andrea Espinoza!

♥ Happy Ordination Anniv. Rev. DeWayne Davis!

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, November 19

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, November 20

+ International Trans Day of Remembrance

+ Universal Children's Day

♥ Happy Birthday Sam Davis!

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 MEETING**

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

Friday, November 21: + Presentation of Mary

+ Global Day of Prayer to End Famine

♥ Happy Birthday Claude Ashby!

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, November 22

9:00 pm MCCNY HYS at Sylvia's Place

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

+ Christ the Ruler Sunday

+ Thanksgiving Sunday

+ The Rev. Elder Pat Bumgardner, preaching
(Dan. 6:7-12 & Lk. 9:12-17)

10:00 am Choir Rehearsal for 11am

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

9:00 pm Sylvia's Place Youth Shelter

Celebrate Thanksgiving Day, November 27th at 11am

*** 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

November 16, 2025

+ Leather Sunday

**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
Carolyn Traore, Song Leader
Heidi Siegell, Soloist**

PROCESSION

“We Are the Church Alive!”

Printed

Please stand as able

+ Leather and Color Guard

WELCOME

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

+ The Sign of Peace

THE LESSON

La Lección Primera

Malachi 3: 19-20

The First Lesson

Malachi 3: 19-20

Pues he aquí que viene el Día abrasador como un horno; todos los arrogantes y los que cometen impiedad serán como paja; y los consumirá el Día que viene, dice Dios Sabot, hasta no dejarles raíz ni rama. Pero para nosotros, los que teméis mi Nombre, brillará el sol de justicia con la salud en los rayos, y saldréis brincando como becerros bien cebados fuera del establo.

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

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace, and all the arrogant and evil-doers will be like stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire, leaving them neither root nor branch, says the God of hosts. But for you who revere my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

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

MUSICAL RESPONSE

MCCNY Choir

La Lección Segunda

Lucas 21: 5-19

The Second Lesson

Luke 21: 5-19

Algunos estaban hablando del templo, de la belleza de sus piedras y de las ofrendas votivas que lo adornaban. Jesús dijo: “Vendrán días en que de todo esto que ustedes están viendo no quedará ni una piedra sobre otra. Todo será destruido.” Entonces le preguntaron a Jesús: “Maestro, ¿cuándo va a ocurrir esto? ¿Cuál será la señal de que estas cosas ya están a punto de suceder?” Jesús contestó: “Tengan cuidado para no dejarse engañar. Porque vendrán muchos haciéndose pasar por mí. Dirán: ‘Yo soy’, y ‘Ahora es el tiempo.’ Pero ustedes no los sigan. Y cuando tengan noticias de guerras y revoluciones, no se asusten, pues esto tiene que ocurrir primero; sin embargo, aún no habrá llegado el fin.” Siguió Jesús diciéndoles: “Una nación peleará contra otra y un país hará guerra contra otro. Habrá grandes terremotos, y hambres y enfermedades en diferentes lugares, y en el cielo se verán cosas espantosas y grandes señales. Pero antes de esto, a ustedes les echarán mano y los perseguirán. Los llevarán a juzgar en las sinagogas, los meterán en la cárcel y los presentarán ante jefes y gobernadores por causa mía. Así tendrán oportunidad de dar testimonio de mí. Háganse el propósito de no preparar de antemano su defensa, porque yo les daré palabras tan llenas de sabiduría que ninguno de sus enemigos podrá resistirlos ni contradecirlos en nada. Pero ustedes serán traicionados incluso por sus padres, sus hermanos y sus hermanas, sus parientes y sus amigos. A algunos de ustedes los matarán, y todo el mundo los odiará por causa mía; pero no se perderá ni un cabello de su cabeza. ¡Manténganse firmes, para poder salvarse!”

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked Jesus, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And Jesus said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am the one!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then Jesus said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and reign against reign; there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before rulers and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives."

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

SELECTION

SERMON

Cliff Boone, 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 Brenton Buchanon
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

"Dios, Tú Eres Nuestra Luz"

#55/Hymnal

"De Colores"

#50/Hymnal

"Oh, Freedom"

#152/Hymnal

CLOSING SONG

"This Little Light"

#239/Hymnal
Please stand as able

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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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



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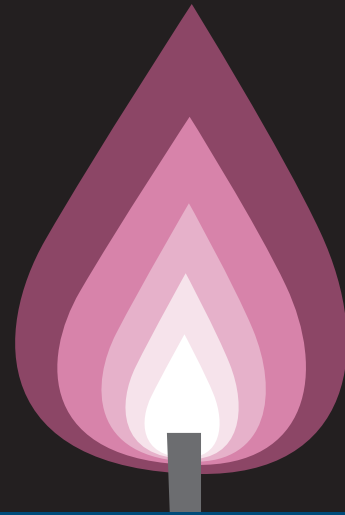
THANKS- GIVING DAY

November 27, 2025 at 11am

Join your family of faith for a **Service of Gratitude** followed by a traditional **Thanksgiving Feast!**

All are Welcome!

Deacon Les LaRue, Homilist



Trans Sunday of
Remembrance

November 16th

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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Bishop Reg Richburg	Facilitator
Deacon Tressie Carter	Membership

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

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ASL Interpreter	Pat Dash
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