



Announcements – January 29, 2011

11 a.m. Worship

**“Unto the Church Universal?”** – Rev. Bruce Southworth, Senior Minister

Fellowship Hour – 12:15 pm in the Assembly Hall

The Assembly Hall, Chapel and Conference Room are downstairs. The Gallery and Front Lounge are next door in the John Haynes Holmes Community House at 28 E. 35th Street, the building with the red door! Always check the signs at the front doors as room assignments are changed occasionally.

**Today:**

**Congregational Meetings - Two separate meetings this Sunday!**

Sunday, January 29, after Fellowship Hour (12:30 pm) – Assembly Hall

Continuation of the January 8 Special Meeting of the Congregation on our Bylaws and Annual Meeting of the Congregation.

***Guest at Your Table - Boxes to Be Returned***

Please return your filled Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) Guest at Your Table boxes or check to Esther Rosado today. All donations are gratefully received – Make checks payable to “UUSC- Guest at Your Table”.

**This Week:**

**Social Tea**

Tuesday, January 31, 2 pm

***Ladies' Mile-17 Stories Up***

Two years ago, six busy New York City women added a new activity to their crowded calendars: Memoir Writing. Meeting around a big table, at a Fifth Avenue apartment in the historic Manhattan district called Ladies' Mile, the six experienced many rich moments of awed recognition, hilarious laughter, and sympathetic tears. ... As they continued writing, critiquing and honing their work the idea of creating Ladies' Mile 17 Stories Up was born! Meet the authors of this newly published memoir anthology. [Flyer](#)

**A Common Read**

Wednesday, February 1, 6:30 pm

***The New Jim Crow*** by Michelle Alexander

Nearly half of the nation's young black men are behind bars, on parole, or on probation – more than the number of slaves in the U.S. in 1850. Michelle Alexander makes the case that racial caste has not been eradicated, but simply redesigned. According to Alexander, the majority of young black men in large American cities are "warehoused in prisons", or once labeled a felon systems of social control, not unlike Jim Crow Laws, permanently trap them in a second-class status. Participants are invited to read and discuss the book. Soft copies are available for \$20.00. Please RSVP to Esther Rosado at [erosado@ccny.org](mailto:erosado@ccny.org) or 212-683-4988.

**Secular Humanist Society of NY – Book Club – 1st Thursdays**

Thursday, February 2, 6:30-8:30 pm, Front Lounge

***THE BETTER ANGELS OF OUR NATURE: Why Violence has Declined*** by Steven Pinker - Part One of three Book Club meetings devoted to this outstanding new history, an exploration of the essence of human nature, mixing psychology and history to provide a remarkable picture of an increasingly nonviolent world. Please RSVP to Esther Rosado at [erosado@ccny.org](mailto:erosado@ccny.org).

**Anti-Racism Team – Popcorn & Opinions**

Friday, February 3, 6:30 pm, Gallery

Popcorn & Opinions Screening at 7 pm

***FARAW!*** - the first of a series Award-Winning Films from the continent of Africa. It recounts 24 hours in the life of a woman in Songhoi country. Zamiatou, the mother of three young children, is fighting for survival on the edge of the desert. Her husband is too weak to work, and her children are exasperated by their situation of poverty and drought. She refuses to put her daughter into prostitution. And the rest you will have to see for your self!

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### **First Saturday Feeding of the Hungry in the Bowery**

Saturday, February 4. 10:45 am

We invite you to help the Sai Baba Group feed the hungry on the First Saturday of each month. We meet on Forsyth, just south of Houston at 10:45 am. Please bring vegetarian food to share with the over 100 people who come. This is an outdoor event so dress for the weather. For more information contact Valerie Lynch at [vlynch@ccny.org](mailto:vlynch@ccny.org) or 212-683-4988.

### **Next Sunday:**

#### **Let's Get Acquainted**

Sunday, February 5, 12:30 pm, Conference Room

Have you been visiting recently? Would you like to learn more about Community Church? About "UU", Unitarian Universalism? Come meet for a conversation with Rev. Bruce Southworth, our Senior Minister. Bring your questions.

#### **Resistance Cinema**

Sunday, February 5, 1:15 pm, Gallery

**The Vanishing City** - A 30 + year policy of favoring a corporate model of development in New York City results in lost neighborhoods and threatens cultural identity.

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

#### **Invitation to Serve as Fellowship Hour Hosts**

We invite everyone to consider hosting the Fellowship Hour. Hosts set up the food before the service (Coffee/Tea is set up by staff), then bring a smile and pour the coffee! It is a fun way to meet visitors, members and friends. Please contact Laura Ann Wilson ([bklynlauraann@gmail.com](mailto:bklynlauraann@gmail.com)) or Valerie Lynch ([vlynch@ccny.org](mailto:vlynch@ccny.org)) to let us know which week you would like to serve. Thank you.

#### **Visiting Homebound Members and Friends of Community**

We are now seeking volunteers who would like to visit our homebound Members and Friends. This a wonderful way to help people stay connected with their church home. Please contact Odella Washington, chair of our Caring Network at 718-379-1934 or Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, at [vlynch@ccny.org](mailto:vlynch@ccny.org).

### **Community Needs:**

**BJ's Place needs your help!** - The state government in Albany voted to end funding for food to the Partnership for the Homeless, and consequently, BJ's Place has lost our \$10,000/year budget that we used to provide sandwiches, snacks and breakfast cereal to our guests. We are asking members of the congregation to donate either food, or funds to purchase food, on the Second Sunday of each month, to help us offer hospitality to our homeless guests. Please contact Lisa Gluck if you would like to donate - (917) 887-4212. Please make checks payable to Community Church with BJ's Place in the memo line.

### **Other Events at Community:**

#### **Peoples Voice Café – [www.peoplesvoicecafe.org](http://www.peoplesvoicecafe.org)**

Most Saturdays – 8 pm - An alternative Coffeehouse at Community Church!

January 28 – No show this weekend

February 4 – Kim & Reggie Harris and Rod MacDonald

February 11 – Rod MacDonald

February 18 – Randy Noojin in *Hard Travlin' with Woody*

February 25 – Pearls of Wisdom and James Cannings & The NYC Streetsingers

**Antiracistalliance.com Potluck** – Friday, February 17, 5:30 pm – in the Gallery

Everyone is invited – Held the third Friday of each month.

**Esperanto Society of NY** – Friday, February 17, 7 – 9 pm – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conf Room – 28 E 35<sup>th</sup> St

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Please put your order of service papers in the recycling bin if you are not going to take them with you.