



Announcements –January 13, 2019

Worship 11 am - Assembly Hall

The Same yet Different? – Rev. Carlos R. Martinez, Interim Minister

What led Unitarians and Universalists after 150 years of “talking about it” to consolidate into one movement?

Sunday Fellowship Hour – 12:15 - 1 pm, Assembly Hall Volunteer Choir Rehearsal – 12:45-2 pm, Hall of Worship

For Children and Youth:

Sunday School for Children and Youth

Join us in the RE Room downstairs at 11 am. For details contact Esther Rosado, Director of Lifespan Religious Education at 212-683-4988, ext. 23 or email erosado@ccny.org.

This Week's Activities:

Hatha Yoga - Tuesdays, 6-7:30 pm / Saturdays, 10:30 am-12 pm, Front Lounge (Canceled Dec 25 and Jan 1)

Hatha Yoga is a branch of yoga which concentrates on physical health and mental well-being. Please bring a yoga mat to the class. Requested Contribution \$15/\$5 Students

NYC Street Singers – Most Tuesdays, 7 pm, 3rd Floor Classroom (Canceled Dec 25 and Jan 1)

Open to all who also believe in the transformative power of the arts to inspire and unite. Contact Cheryl clisbin25@aol.com.

Pranayama Breathing Exercises with Nafisa – Fridays by appointment, Chapel

Learn the breathing technique which improves breathing capacity, opens the upper chest muscles, strengthens the lungs and opens air passages while releasing tension through the spine and shoulders. Requested Contribution: \$20

Social Tea – Tuesday, January 15, 2 pm (performance begins 2:30 pm), Assembly Hall

Join us special guests and light refreshments. This month - Opera preview performance with Leonard Lehrman and others. ***A Loveletter from Rosa Luxemburg Opera*** (see below - Jan 20 Concert announcement for more information.)

The occasion is on the actual birthdate of Martin Luther King Jr. and Elie Siegmeister, as well as the centennial of Rosa Luxemburg's death. The program will include music by Bernstein, Eisler, Lehrman, Mandelbaum, and Siegmeister, performed by Michael Niemann, Helene Williams, and members of the Metropolitan Philharmonic Chorus, conducted from the piano by Leonard Lehrman. Please RSVP to Esther Rosado erosado@ccny.org or 212-683-4988, ext. 123. [Flyer](#)

Next Sunday:

Worship 11 am – Sunday, January 20, Hall of Worship

More than Optimism: Love, Conflict, and the Beloved Community

Rev. Adam Robersmith, Universalist Church of West Hartford

What would it take for us to fully embody the Beloved Community? The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. set out a vision of all-inclusive love and justice, specifically inviting Unitarian Universalists to join in making it real. Our Universalist heritage continues to call us to this work. We'll consider what this invitation means today and how Universalism leads us forward.

Concert including *A Loveletter from Rosa Luxemburg Opera* - Sunday, January 20, 2:30-5 pm, Hall of Worship

The concert includes the finale of "*I Have A Dream*," the cantata by Elie Siegmeister based on Dr. King's speech, commemorating their 110th & 90th birthdays the same day (Jan 15); the complete score of the Brecht-Eisler parable of racism and the coming of fascism, **ROUNDHEADS & POINTEDHEADS**; an unknown never-before-performed song by Bernstein; and 2 world premieres: Marc Blitzstein's Children's Cantata, and Leonard Lehrman's latest (12th) opera, written for Helene Williams - "*A Loveletter from Rosa Luxemburg*," honoring the centennial of Rosa Luxemburg's death (Jan 15). [Flyer](#)

Planning Ahead:

Peoples' Music Network Winter Gathering Concert - Friday, January 25, 7:30 pm, Hall of Worship

A special concert featuring: Francisco Herrera, Brooklyn Women's Chorus, Raymond Turner, Jeremy Aaron, Lindsey Wilson, and many more. [Brochure/Ticket Info](#)

Interiors- Gallery35 at Community's Artists' Reception - Saturday January 26, 6-8pm, Gallery

Among other works, John Devaney will be showing two paintings inspired by the bedroom scene from King Kong (1933). In Midtown Suite, there's a monstrous intrusion into the dreamlike, lush interior. In Midtown – The Male Gaze, the two lovers are seemingly safe inside while a dark terror looms just outside.

Quarterly Congregational Meeting - Sunday, January 27, 12:45-2 pm, Assembly Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend. Voting Members will be voting on several matters. Lunch will be available.

Donate to Community Church while Shopping:

Shopping on Amazon? – Use the Amazon Smile feature. When you shop at smile.amazon.com and you choose *The Community Church of New York Unitarian Universalist*, a portion of your sale is sent to the church. An easy way to offer a free donation! smile.amazon.com/ch/13-1663218

How to Make Electronic Contributions to Community Church:

- * Set up a payment with your **bank** for one-time gift or automatic payments -just like your auto-pay bills.
- * **Text Giving** - Text **ccuugive** to 73256. Follow the prompts.
- * **On-Line Giving from website- There** is a quick link just below the JOIN US box. Use this link and sign in as guest if you do not have an assigned password. Everyone is welcome to use this feature. If you have questions, contact Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, at 212-683-4988, ext. 126 or vlynch@ccny.org . Thank you for your gifts!

Other Opportunities:

People's Voice Café – Most Saturdays, 8 pm – More information at www.peoplesvoicecafe.org
Jan 5: Lonnie Harrington and Tom De Rosa / Jan 12: The Infiltrators and Fred Arcoleo & Friends
Jan 19: 6G Night: 3 Guys & 3 Guitars –Tom Smith, Gary Allard and Joshua Garcia

Esperanto Society – Third Fridays, 7-9 pm, 3rd Floor Classroom (Oct-May) – Everyone is welcome.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Office Volunteers - Do you have a few free weekday hours? The office staff could use your help! Please contact Jeff Loveland, our Church Administrator, or Thea Trent, jloveland@ccny.org or ttrent@ccny.org or 212-683-4988.

Sunday Ushers, Greeters and Fellowship Hour Hosts - We invite everyone to consider serving on Sundays. It is a fun way to meet visitors, members and friends. Please contact Valerie Lynch at vlynch@ccny.org or 212-683-4988, ext. 126.

BJ's and Helene's Place Needs Your Help - Shelter Volunteers are always needed – They work in teams and training is provided. Please contact Dan Foley - df_32749@yahoo.com or Lisa Gluck lgluckster@gmail.com for details.

Book Stall Volunteers - The bookstall needs volunteers to staff the table on Sundays. Please contact Ken Wachtell at 201-963-7763 or kenw54@hotmail.com.

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