



Announcements – April 8, 2018

**11 am Worship** – Sunday, April 8 - **Vulnerability After Trauma** - Rev. Joel Miller, First Unitarian Church of Rochester  
While the minister of the Columbine Unitarian Universalist Church in Littleton, Colorado, Rev. Joel Miller counselled families and responders to the Columbine High School shootings. He shares some of the spiritual struggles that followed that experience.

**Fellowship Hour** – 12:15 - 1 pm, Fellowship Hall

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**Room Locations:** The Assembly Hall, Chapel and Conference Room are downstairs. The Gallery and Rear/Front Lounges 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.

**Linking:** To use links found in these announcements, please go to the Sunday Announcements section on our homepage, located under the sermon description- [www.ccnny.org](http://www.ccnny.org) . The electronic version of announcements has active links.

**For Children:**

**Sunday School for Children and Youth**

We begin with worship in the Chapel of Peace at 11 am. For details contact Esther Rosado, Director of Lifespan Religious Education at 212-683-4988, ext. 23 or email [erosado@ccny.org](mailto:erosado@ccny.org) .

**Classical Vocal Arts for Children** – Next Sessions April 25, 1-2:30 pm, Gallery

Cheryl Warfield, Artistic Director of Manhattan Opera Repertory Ensemble, known as *MOREOpera*, offers a series of classical vocal arts for children and youth, including music appreciation and chorus training program open to all children aged 6-14 (some flexibility). There is no tuition fee. New children always welcome. Questions - Contact Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, [vlynch@ccny.org](mailto:vlynch@ccny.org) or 212-683-4988.

**Today:**

**Community Women Film Presentation** – Sunday, April 8, 12:45-2:45 pm, Assembly Hall

**Iron Jawed Angels** - "LEAD, FOLLOW OR GET OUT OF THE WAY!" Taking a fresh and contemporary look at a pivotal event in American history, IRON JAWED ANGELS tells the true story of how defiant and brilliant young activists, Alice Paul and Lucy Burns took the women's suffrage movement by storm, putting their lives at risk to help American women win the right to vote.

**UN and Global Affairs Committee** – Sunday, April 8, 1-2 pm, Conference Room

**Congregational Spring Retreat at Stony Point** – Scheduled for Friday, April 20 – Sunday, April 22-Register Today!  
Registration is now open for our Spring Retreat at beautiful upstate [Stony Point Retreat Center](#). Stop by the Welcome Table or visit our homepage for the information/registration flyer. We are now looking for volunteers to help with the planning and/or to facilitate classes/workshops/hikes. Contact Esther Rosado, Director of Lifespan Religious Education at [erosado@ccny.org](mailto:erosado@ccny.org) or Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, [vlynch@ccny.org](mailto:vlynch@ccny.org) or call us at 212-683-4988. [Flyer](#)

**This Week:**

**Pranayama Breathing Exercises with Nafisa** – Mondays, 4-5:30 pm, 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

**Hatha Yoga** - Tuesdays, 6-7:30 pm / Saturdays, 12:30-2 pm, Rear Lounge

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, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Classroom

Open to all who also believe in the transformative power of the arts to inspire and unite, please join us on Tuesday evenings. For more information, please contact Cheryl Lisbin- [clisbin25@aol.com](mailto:clisbin25@aol.com).

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**Death Café** – Wednesday, April 11 (& 18), 6-8 pm, Rear Lounge

Join us for an evening of sharing stories, wisdom and lively discussion on conscious awareness of the life cycle. Discussions concerning death, aging and how we can make the most of our 'finite' lives. Facilitators are Esther Rosado, Director of Lifespan Religious Education, and Jean Boudwin, a certified yoga and meditation instructor. Attend as your schedule permits. Contact Esther if you have questions - [erosado@ccny.org](mailto:erosado@ccny.org) or 212-683-4988, ext. 23. [Flyer](#)

**Gallery35 at Community – Artists' Reception** –Saturday, April 14, 6-8 pm, Gallery

**AN ARTIST'S JOURNEY** - **Pat Gericke** and **Denise Fryburg** both have used their art to chronicle their years of artistic development. The two, who studied together ten years ago, have followed very different artistic paths. This exhibit showcases their evolving artistic processes.

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### **Next Sunday:**

**11 am Worship** – Sunday, April 15 – Rev. Carlos Martinez, Interim Minister, will preach.

### **Small Group Ministry**

New groups are being formed. For more information see the brochure available at the Welcome Table on Sundays or on the homepage of our website – [www.ccnny.org](http://www.ccnny.org)

### **Art and Card Making Circle** - Sunday, April 15, 1-3 pm, Front Lounge

Join us after Fellowship Hour for an afternoon of crafting fun. Create art and/or cards for holidays or other special occasions. Supplies will be provided but feel free to bring your own as well.

### **Blessing of the Animals Service** - Sunday, April 15, 4:00 pm – Share a [Flyer](#)

The Blessing of the Animals service will be led by the church's clerical staff and Director of Music. While this service is free, the church welcomes cash donations which will go to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) which was founded in April 1866 by Henry Bergh, a Unitarian. Children, parents and the littlest members of your family are invited to this special service. Bring your household pet(s) and join us in celebrating the interdependent web of life as we bless our animal family with our love. For more information please contact Jamie Boyce, Student Minister, [jboyce@ccny.org](mailto:jboyce@ccny.org) or call 212-683-4988, ext. 117.

### **Planning Ahead:**

Mark Your Calendar! ***Want more information about Developmental and Called Ministry?***

Sunday, April 24

Rev. Roberta Finkelstein will be speaking to this subject at the following days and times:

**11 am Worship** - Sermon: "***Between Yesterday and Tomorrow***"

12:30-2 pm - **Forum Talk: *Going Developmental, eh?*** (Assembly Hall)

2-4 pm - **Interim Start-up Check-In** for Transition Team and Board Members (Gallery)

### **Marriage Equality Day** -Sunday, May 20, 4:00 pm - ***One Day. Seven Weddings.***

We are celebrating the 7th Anniversary of New York's Marriage Equality Act (2011) by offering free weddings to seven lucky couples! Join us as we affirm love and the sacred bond of marriage for all people. Couples of all faiths and backgrounds are welcome to join us in the celebration of love. Those interested in renewing their vows are welcomed to join us in reaffirming their love and commitment as well. Community Church of New York invites ALL couples with a valid New York City Wedding license to participate and to be wed free of charge. Couples beyond the initial seven are invited to make a donation to the community or congregation of their choice. Community Church's Clerical staff and Director of Music will joyfully officiate the service. Please contact Jamie Boyce, Student Minister, [jboyce@ccny.org](mailto:jboyce@ccny.org) or call 212-683-4988, ext. 117 to reserve your spot today.

### **Other Opportunities:**

**People's Voice Café** – Most Saturdays, 8 pm – More information at [www.peoplesvoicecafe.org](http://www.peoplesvoicecafe.org)

Apr 7: Emma's Revolution / Apr 14: An Evening with Holly Near: A Talk with Song / Apr 21: Ray Korona Song Night

Apr 28: David Dodson & Mary Kate Small; Ben Tousley

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

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

#### **Ushers, Greeters and Fellowship Hour Hosts – Needed for Sundays**

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](mailto:vlynch@ccny.org) or 212-683-4988, ext. 26.

#### **BJ's and Helene's Place Needs Your Help**

Shelter Volunteers are always needed – They work in teams and training is provided. Please contact George Garland [gagarland@gmail.com](mailto:gagarland@gmail.com) or Fred Corden [fcorden@me.com](mailto:fcorden@me.com) for details.

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

We are now seeking volunteers who would like to visit and/or write notes to our homebound Members and Friends. Please contact Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator at [vlynch@ccny.org](mailto:vlynch@ccny.org) or 212-683-4988, ext. 26, for more 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](mailto:kenw54@hotmail.com).

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