



Announcements – February 11, 2018

11 am Worship – Hall of Worship

Remaking Love – Rev. Carlos R. Martinez, Interim Minister

The pursuit of love often becomes the narrative of our lives. Often what we seek is not what we desire.

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

Volunteer Choir Rehearsal – 12:45-2 pm, Hall of Worship

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 . 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 .

Classical Vocal Arts for Children – Next Sessions March 11 and 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 or 212-683-4988.

Today:

Singing the Journey - "Teal Hymnal Project"

Help make it possible! Please be a sponsor of the purchase of a hymnal by donating \$17 per hymnal. Forms for dedications will be in the Order of Service, at the Welcome Table, and on our website's homepage – www.ccnny.org - [link](#) here.

Small Group Ministry is Resuming in February! Are you looking to deepen your connections to our beloved community? Time to reflect and share in the comfort of our community? Small Group Ministry will be starting in February and are open for registration. Groups will meet on Thursdays and Sundays twice a month for two hours. Join us as we engage conversation and share in a safe, protected, space that allows us to get to know each other more fully. Groups will be led by Jamie Boyce, Student Minister, and Esther Rosado, Director of Lifespan Education. Contact Esther Rosado at erosado@ccny.org or connect with her after service during fellowship hour for more information. [Brochure](#)

Nominating Committee – Sunday, February 4, 12:45-2 pm, Conference Room

Membership Committee – Sunday, February 11, 12:45-1:30 pm, Chapel

UNGA Forum and Luncheon - Sunday, February 11, 12:45-2:45 pm, Assembly Hall

Theme: Beyond the United Nation's Resolutions on Africa, Puerto Rico, Haiti, Mexico, the wall, to "Real news and unique perspectives" on current historic challenges and progress. Guest Speakers include Corrie Hulse, Managing Editor of *The Mantle*. [Flyer](#)

Art and Card Making Circle - Sunday, February 11, 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.

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, 3rd 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.

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Next Sunday:

11 am Worship – Sunday, February 18, Hall of Worship - *Live in the Layers* – Rev. Dr. Susan Veronica Rak

In “*The Speed of Darkness*”, poet Muriel Rukeyser notes that “The universe is made of stories, not of atoms.” This sermon reflects the connections we share and how those stories are part of us and serve to shape who we become.

Mark Your Calendar! Sunday, February 18, 1:15-2:15 pm, Assembly Hall

Searching for a Minister: What Can the Congregation Expect this process to be Like?

The search for a minister is an exciting and somewhat lengthy process. As it should be since calling a minister is a very important step in the life of any congregation. How does it happen? What is the process by which congregations search for ministers? Who is it that searches? Who is it that decides? What can a congregation expect while the search is on? Transition Coach Rev Dr. Linda Anderson will be with you at Community on Sunday Feb 18 at 1:15pm to explain the search process step by step and answer your questions.

Rev. Dr. Linda Anderson has been a Unitarian Universalist minister since 1992. She served the UU Congregation of the Catskills in Kingston NY for eighteen years, after which she served as a chaplain and a teacher of chaplains. She worked at Bridgeport Hospital and for Catholic Health Services of Long Island. Currently her ministry focuses around bereavement services (support groups, workshops, funerals), regular guest preaching at the North Fork UU Fellowship and the South Nassau UU Congregation. She serves on the board of the UU Trauma Response Ministry and is an advisor to the Long Island UU Fund. As a Community Minister she is affiliated with the UU Fellowship at Stony Brook. She comes to Community today as the Transition Coach for Ministerial Search.

Planning Ahead:

Will there be a Seder this year? - This year we are looking for new leadership to ensure we can hold a Seder again. Staff can help menu suggestions/food requirements. We need one or two people to be the point person(s), who will organize and coordinate volunteers and the tasks. Can you help make the Seder possible this year? The date under consideration is March 31. Contact Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, vlynch@ccny.org, to volunteer or for more information.

Congregational Spring Retreat at Stony Point – Now Scheduled for Friday, April 20 – Sunday, April 22

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 or Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, vlynch@ccny.org or call us at 212-683-4988.

Other Opportunities:

People's Voice Café – Most Saturdays, 8 pm – More information at www.peoplesvoicecafe.org

Feb 10: Rod MacDonald; Dani Noy; Feb 17: Jerry Epstein Memorial Concert; Feb 24: Generations; Steve Schalchlin

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

Navigators Offer Immigration Legal Assistance

Do you or someone you know need immigration assistance? Navigators will be providing free immigration legal consultations. Event is by appointment only- walk-ins are not guaranteed a consultation. To make an appointment, please call/text 347-921-0631 or email ccscommclinics@gmail.com.

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 or 212-683-4988, ext. 19.

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 or Fred Corden 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 for more information.

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.

Social Justice Message - Did you know that:

NYS state had
only 29% voter participation in 2016
and
does not permit early voting?

Faith in New York is a multi-faith, multi-issue, multi-lingual citywide network of over 70 congregations representing over 80,000 residents of New York City. We are committed to the work of justice and faith-rooted community organizing in order to influence policies and systems that will create a more just and equitable New York for all New Yorkers.

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