



THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NEW YORK

Announcements – January 14, 2018

11 am Worship – Hall of Worship

Bring to Mind the Memory - Rev. Carlos R. Martinez, Interim Minister

Rev. Martinez provides a reflection on MLK Sunday.

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 – New Sessions begin January 14, 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:

Shelter Committee – Sunday, January 14, 9:30-10:30 am, Shelter Kitchen

UN & Global Affairs Committee – January 14 Meeting is canceled.

Meet with the Minister - Sunday, January 14, 12:45-2 pm, Minister Study

This is a makeup session for those who missed the September gatherings. This is an opportunity to get to know our Interim Minister, Rev. Carlos R. Martinez and to share your ideas about the interim ministry period and the future of Community Church.

This Week:

Please Note the Church Office and Buildings will be closed on Monday, January 15, for MLK Jr. Day.

Pranayama Breathing Exercises with Nafisa – New Offering – Mondays, 4-5:30 pm, Chapel (Canceled this week)

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.

Finance Committee – Wednesday, January 17, 6-8 pm, Gallery

Next Sunday:

11 am Worship – Sunday, January 21, Hall of Worship

From Whence Have We Come -Rev. Carlos R. Martinez, Interim Minister

We owe a debt of gratitude to a 19th century movement made up of colorful and brilliant "liked-minded" people who were said to be unable to agree on anything.

Nominating Committee - Sunday, January 21, 12:45-2:30 pm, Conference Room

Small Group Ministry – Sunday, January 21, 12:45-2:30 pm, Minister's Study

New groups are starting. Contact Esther Rosado to register or for more information – erosado@ccny.org

Green Sanctuary Film and Discussion - Sunday, January 21, 1-3 pm, Gallery

Showing of Al Gore's new film: "*an inconvenient sequel - TRUTH TO POWER*"

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Planning Ahead:

Constructive White Conversations – 4th Mondays, January 22, 6:30-9 pm, Gallery (Conversation starts at 7 pm)

What is *Constructive White Conversations*? - It is a gathering in which those of us who identify as white can speak freely and openly about race, racism, oppression, isolation, and all related issues. This is an entry point for white people who want to understand and dismantle racism, build and maintain white antiracist community, and explore the nature of white identity. Facilitator: Stoop Nilsson / More Information: <https://www.constructivewhiteconversations.org>
Please RSVP to: cwc.midtown@gmail.com.

11 am Worship – Sunday, January 28 - Rev. Dr. Tracy Sprowls , Assistant Minister for Lifespan Faith Formation at The Unitarian Church of All Souls, New York City, will be our guest preacher.

Quarterly Congregational Meeting – Sunday, January 28, 12:45 pm, Assembly Hall

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

Social Tea – Tuesday, January 30, 2-3:30 pm, Assembly Hall

Room #9 - Marzena Maksym has worked with young girls from Afghanistan who are now living in a refugee camp in Greece. She will talk about a special project that was created. Please RSVP to Esther Rosado, erosado@ccny.org .

Memorial Service for Wade Hampton - Sunday, February 4, 2 pm, Hall of Worship

We will join Helene Summa, son Jonathan (both members of Community) and the rest of the family to celebrate Wade's life. The service will be followed with a reception in the Assembly Hall. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Community Church for the homeless shelter (specify on the memo line).

Other Opportunities:

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

Jan 13: John O'Connor; Lindsey Wilson & the Human Hearts Trio / Jan 20: Martin Swinger; The Raging Grannies

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 cccscmmclinics@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.

A Message from our Nominating Committee:

We are now working on nominations to be presented to the congregation at the Annual Congregational Meeting in March. These and any nominations by petition will then be voted on for Church-wide positions. Please note that several positions may be filled by those offering to serve a second term.

As of now the following terms are expiring or are in need of replacement):

Board - 3 Members-at-Large (full term) / 2 Members-at-Large (2 year replacement term)

Council – 1 Council Chair/ 3 Members-at-Large

Nominating Committee - 4 Members-at-Large (full term) 1 Member-at-Large (1 year replacement term)

Search Committee – 7 positions – All Voting Members are eligible except for members of the Nominating Committee.

The slate will be published by February 3. Qualified Voting Members will also have the opportunity to run by petition (deadline March 4). Contact the Nominating Committee if you have questions or need additional information.