THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NEW YORK

Announcements March 19, 2017

11 am Worship – Hall of Worship – ***The Most Difficult Thing in the World?*** - Rev. Bruce Southworth

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

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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. Office hours are 9 am – 5 pm, Monday-Friday, closed on most holidays.

Cable TV Viewing
Cable TV - Sundays at 8:30 pm: The Community Church's Time Warner cable TV channel is 1997 (MNN3-Manhattan Neighborhood Network Channel 3 – Spirit Channel); also broadcast on RCN channel 84 and FiOS channel 35. Link for streaming Information: http://www.mnn.org/live/3-spirit-channel)

Linking: To use links found in these announcements, please go to the Sunday Announcements section on our homepage, located under the sermon description- www.ccny.org . The electronic version of announcements has active links.

For Children:

Sunday School for Children and Youth
Sunday School begins 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 Session: Sunday, March 26, 12:30-1:30 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). Please invite family, friends and neighbors. There is no tuition fee. New children always welcome. Questions - Contact Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, vlynch@ccny.org or 212-683-4988. Flyer

Today:

Young Adult Gathering – Sunday, March 19, 12:45-2 pm, Conference Room
Meet with Julio Torres. Student Minister.

This Week:

Hatha Yoga with Nafisa Degani - 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. Hatha yoga uses body postures (asanas), breathing techniques (pranayama), and meditation (dyana) with the goal of bringing about a sound, healthy body and a clear, peaceful mind. Please bring a yoga mat to the class. Requested Contribution $10/$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.

Board of Trustees – Wednesday, March 22, 6:30-9 pm, Gallery

Next Sunday:

11 am Worship – Sunday, March 26, Hall of Worship
Next Steps – Building the Beloved Community – Rev. Bruce Southworth
This morning I return to the on-going sermon series tracing the history of our Congregation with its challenges, transformations, new vision, and prophetic engagement. Much has changed over the years (members, buildings, ministers, theologies), even as core values remain an anchor. I shall again be looking at some of both – change and continuity.

Congregational Annual Meeting – Sunday, March 26, 12:45 pm, Assembly Hall
Everyone is welcome to attend. Voting Members will be voting for church leaders and several other matters. Lunch will be available. If you have questions regarding voting eligibility contact Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, at 212-683-4988, ext. 19 or vlynch@ccny.org.

Planning Ahead:

Social Tea – ***Pipe Organ Tour*** - Tuesday, March 28, 2-3:30 pm, Hall of Worship and Assembly Hall
Our Director of Music, Gerald A. Brown will be presenting this month's Social Tea. Every Pipe Organ is designed for the space in which it is housed and for its intended purpose. Jerry will be explaining many of the features of the Pipe Organ in the Hall of Worship.

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UU Women's Association Annual Luncheon/Lecture – Saturday, April 1, 12-3:30pm, Gallery
SIGNIFICANCE OF A WOMAN PRESIDENT BACKLASH & RESISTANCE
Speaker: Patricia Ackerman, CCNY Women's Studies
(Sliding scale charge-$12-20) Link here for information/registration form.

Congregational Spring Retreat at Stony Point – Now Scheduled for Friday, March 31 – Sunday, April 2
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:

Serving as Delegates to Represent Community Church at General Assembly
Please consider serving as a delegate to the General Assembly which will be held in New Orleans, LA, June 21-25. Applications will be available at the Welcome Table and on our website. Any questions or to apply, contact Valerie Lynch, Membership Coordinator, vlynch@ccny.or or 212-683-4988, ext. 26.

People's Voice Café – Most Saturdays, 8 pm – More information at www.peoplesvoicecafe.org
March 18: Concetta Abbate, Chris Nauman and George Mann /
March 25: Human Condition - Reunion Concert

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

Henry George School is offering classes at Community on various evenings. Community Church Members and Friends are welcome – no fee. For more information contact (212) 889-8020 or email info@hgsss.org.

Are You Planning to Go to Washington, DC for the March for Science (April 22) or People's Climate March (April 29)?
The Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, VA, will be providing some low-cost housing possibilities for UUs. Contact Sarah Masters, Director of Congregational Life, for details - DirCL@uucava.org

Spring Forward to Summer Institute – UUMAC
Wondering where to go this summer for a respite from the chaos? Come to the UU Mid-Atlantic Community to recharge and relax with UUs from New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and beyond.
Spend a week on a beautiful university campus in southeast Pennsylvania July 9-15, 2017.
Whether you are an empty-nester, family with young children, single or couple – we would love to see your smiling face! Try something new this summer in a small-scale community (~150 of us) and get an Early Bird discount AND newcomer discount if you register before April 1st. For more details, see uumac.org, or call Doug Belling 202-420-1969, UUMAC Board Member.
Want to meet some of us? We are holding virtual meet and greet sessions, hosted by UUMAC members for those curious and interested in our little community. Next session: Sunday March 26 @ 8pm using this link: https://zoom.us/j/337819246.

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.

Office Volunteers
The office staff could use your help! Please contact Thea Trent at ttrent@ccny.org or call or 212-683-4988.

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 . Please note the Book Stall will be closed on the 3rd Sundays of the month. Also note we cannot accept used book donations for time being as we have run out of space.

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