



Announcements – March 4, 2018

11 am Worship – Hall of Worship

Risking Your Faith – Rev. Carlos R. Martinez, Interim Minister

Our sense of the possible is conditioned by our experience. Pushing beyond our boundaries becomes our work.

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

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](#)

Passover Seder Tickets – Now on Sale

Our Annual Passover Seder will take place on Saturday, March 31 at 5 pm. Tickets are now on sale at the Bookstall and must be purchased by March 19. Diana Stewart, Dawn Stewart-Lookkin, Fay Bennett Lord and Nicole Lord are serving as organizers this year and will welcome volunteers to help out in various tasks. Plan to attend this wonderful evening of tradition and warm fellowship.

The Wisdom of Sufism – Sunday, March 4, 12:45-1:30 pm, Assembly Hall

An REFM-Adult Education offering in the occasional "Wisdom of" series - Musa Muhaiyuddin, a frequent speaker in NYC, will offer a talk on Sufism. A Q&A will follow to presentation.

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.

Gallery35 Meeting – Wednesday, March 7, 6:30-8 pm, Gallery

Vagina Monologues – Returns to Community – Friday, March 9, 7 pm, Assembly Hall

Tickets will be \$15 –At the Door - *"This award-winning show offers a witty and often poignant insight into the humanity of women."* This performance, sponsored by Community Women, will be a fundraiser for Siena House Shelter <http://sienahouseshelter.org/>

Gallery35 at Community – Opening Reception – Saturday, March 10, 6-8 pm, Gallery

Gallery35's new exhibit features work by two of our artists, Rick Perez and Yolande Heijne.

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Next Sunday:

11 am Worship – Sunday, March 11, Hall of Worship -**Annual Women's Service**

What Does an Environmental Activist Do All Day? - Kim Fraczek, Guest Speaker

Kim Fraczek is Co-Director of Sane Energy Project, a New York based Grassroots organization working to shut down fossil fuels and work for a just transition to renewables. She believes in building the movement with art & music for powerful narrative messaging to elevate popular consensus to safe, sane energy. Here is a woman who has been working on the front lines.

UN & Global Affairs Special Event – Sunday, March 11, 1:30-3 pm, Hall of Worship

Is There a Backlash on Women's Global Progress at the United Nations, the U.S. and the Caribbean?

Keynote Speaker: Utrice Leid, Journalist

Our keynote speaker is a renowned Trinidadian American civil rights activist, social media critic, and well-known broadcast journalist. She was the managing editor of The City Sun and general manager of New York radio station, WBAI. Currently, she can be heard on the Progressive Radio Network (PRN.FM), Monday through Friday, 1 pm EST (www.prn.fm).

Planning Ahead:

UNGA-UUO-UU Women's Follow-up Discussion – Thursday, March 15, 2:30-5 pm, Gallery

Everyone is welcome to discuss women's issues, a follow-up on the March 11 UNGA special event – See above.

Blessings of the Animals – Sunday, April 15 – Details soon!

Marriage Equality Day – A Special Celebration - Sunday, May 20, 4 pm – Details Soon

Do you know a couple planning to marry? Do you know a couple who wishes to renew vows?

Death Café Returns to Community Church – 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays, March-May, 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 or 212-683-4988, ext. 23. [Flyer](#)

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. [Flyer](#)

Other Opportunities:

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

Mar 3: The Siegel Family & Friends

Mar 10: International Women's Day: Pat Lamanna; Sharleen Leahy; Lydia Adams Davis

Esperanto Society – Third Fridays, 7-9 pm, 3rd 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 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 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 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.

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