



Announcements May 14, 2017

11 am Worship - *Mother of the Civil Rights Movement: Rosa Parks* - Julio Torres, Student Minister

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

Cable TV Viewing

This Sunday at 8:30 pm – “*Noble Truths*” – Rev. Bruce Southworth (5/7/17)

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.ccnyc.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, June 4, 12:30-1:30 pm, Gallery-Change in Regular Schedule 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:

Vocal Arts Choir Mothers Day Concert – Sunday, May 14, 12:30-1 pm, Assembly Hall

The children's choral group will present a concert in honor of all mothers.

Worship Reflections - Sunday, May 14, 12:45-1:45 pm – Chapel

An informal conversation about the topics raised in the sermon and other things on people’s minds and hearts.

Mothers Day Concert with Joel Mandelbaum – Sunday, May 14, 2:30-4 pm- Assembly Hall

Invite your mother to a wonderful concert! The program will include Joel's settings of poems by Leonie Adams and a world premiere of a new cycle of songs to poems by Susan Fox (the librettist of *The Village*). Singers will be Jin Xiang Yu and Emily Misch. One of the song cycles will be accompanied by a four-instrument ensemble.

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.

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

Next Sunday:

11 am Worship - May 21 – *Song in a Weary Throat*”- Rev. Bruce Southworth, Senior Minister

Since the mid-1950s, our congregation has celebrated Freedom Sunday in recognition of the Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court decision in 1954. One summer during my chaplaincy training for ordination requirements, I met nearly daily with fellow student Pauli Murray, who was one of the architects of the legal strategy behind that historic event. Professor, scholar, attorney, poet, and life-long activist, she was in her sixties in 1974 and preparing for ordination in the Episcopal Church. This morning I return again to her life and witness, as part of the occasional series on spiritual growth through biography (with help and new information from Rosalind Rosenberg, author of a recent biography of this extraordinary soul).

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Congregational Budget Hearing – Sunday, May 21, 12:45 pm, Assembly Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend. 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:

Constructive White Conversations – Monday, May 22, 6 pm, Front Lounge

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.

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

Join us for a guest speaker, conversation and light refreshments – Details will be announced soon..

Gallery35 Exhibit - SCAPES—LAND, CITY, NATURE – Closing Reception: - Saturday, June 10, 6-8pm, Gallery

When 18 artists are asked to interpret “scapes,” you can be assured that there will be at least 18 widely divergent pieces of art hanging in the gallery for our final exhibit of 2016-2017!

MYSTIC CHORALE led by Nick Page with special guest Jim Scott - Saturday, June 17, 7:30-9 pm, Hall of Worship

Guitarist, song writer and activist Jim Scott sings songs of enormous compassion beginning with his work with the Paul Winter Consort. The Mystic Chorale of Boston will celebrate forty years of songs from Jim from his work in Missa Gaia to his recent “We Are The Earth.” The concert will also feature new songs from conductor Nick Page who is well known as a song leader. Founded by Nick Page in 1990, the Mystic Chorale loves bringing their audiences into their community, inviting all to sing along on songs like Pete Seeger’s “My Rainbow Race” and a new activist song from Melanie DeMore, “Put one foot front of the other and lead with love.”

Other Opportunities:

People's Voice Café – Most Saturdays, 8 pm (Sept-May) – More information at www.peoplesvoicecafe.org

May 13: Skinner & T'witch and Vincent Cross / May 20: Jean Ritchie Tribute Concert (performers to be announced)

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@hgss.org.

Spring Forward to Summer Institute – UUMAC - Southeast Pennsylvania, July 9-15, 2017

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. Try something new this summer in a small-scale community (~150 of us). For more details, see uumac.org, or call Doug Belling 202-420-1969.

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.