THE GLARION Programs, News, and Events at the Community Church of New York

HE COMMUNITY GURCH OF NEW YORK UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST 24 East 35th Street, New York, New York



WHEN SPRING CAME, EVEN THE FALSE SPRING, THERE WERE NO PROBLEMS EXCEPT WHERE TO BE HAPPIEST.

-ERNEST HEMINGWAY-

A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE



MINISTER'S CORNER

Community Church of New York is an ongoing project. I think of us less as what we "are" and more as what we "have been and are becoming". Our history is astounding, so much so that I wonder what right I have being here, but our future is even more thrilling, and what I'm committed to realizing. Our nation is facing some significant trials. Will we hold onto our democracy? Will we continue to welcome the poor, the hungry, the tired? Will we continue to be a beacon of freedom and hope for the world?

With so much before us, our mission is to build a community of care here, together. With the ongoing and upcoming bombardment of fear inspiring alerts on our phones and in our faces, we are prioritizing mutual aid, reaching out to each other in kindness and gentleness. During this epidemic of loneliness, we are connecting meaningfully with one another, developing a community of resilience that will carry us through difficult times.

This is our shared spiritual path. As the world becomes increasingly numb, disengaged, maybe even defeated, we are called to compassion. The one thing that will save us from our fear and even our hopelessness is strong communities of faith where people are committed each to the other. Not succumbing to the contraction taking hold in American culture, we are living into an expansive vision where everyone has a place. Let's break our hearts open so wide, the whole world can pour in.

This is where hope lives. This is what it means to be part of Community Church. This is how we put Love at the Center of Everything.

– REV. PEGGY CLARKE

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For more details about upcoming events, see the Calendar page on our website!

REGURRING PROGRAMS

CENTERING CIRCLE

Join us mostly monthly for "Centering Circle" on Sundays at 12:30 pm. All are welcome to attend and participate in this informal yet structured gathering. Although each conversation topic is unique, each session follows the following format: opening, check in, meditative moment, conversation, and closing – all within an hour! Our Commissioned Lay Minister, **Dr. Janice Marie Johnson**, will lead each session. Following Centering Circle, we will attend our weekly worship service at Community. Contact <u>info@ccny.org</u> for information on how to participate.

SAY HELLO TO_

Did the person sitting near you on Sunday live in a yoga-centered community? Work for the EPA? Experience the 2011 earthquake and tsunami in Japan? Watch the recordings of previous interviews on our website to find out! For questions about the series, or to volunteer to be an interviewee, contact

runitalsutton@gmail.com

CONVERSATIONS ON ISSUES

Join Brother Zachary Stevens-Walter and members of our community every first Thursday of the month at 11 a.m. for *Conversations on Issues*!

Contact Br. Zachary at zstevenswalter@ccny.org

to learn more.

30s and 40s Brunch

A monthly "brunch" after the service for community members and friends in their thirties and forties! Check calendar and website for details on locations. Contact **Rev. Jude** at **jgeiger@ccny.org** to RSVP.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & EVENTS



Conversations on Self-Care 5:30 PM



Council Meeting First Tuesdays of the month 6:30-8 PM



Zoom Art Community 2:30 PM (every other week- see website for details) La Hora del Café 7:30 PM FRIDAY

Evening Centering with Dr. Janice Marie Johnson 8:00 PM (every other week - see website for details)



Antiracism Action Group 11 AM- 12:30 PM



We launched our new digital directory in January. This new system is significantly more secure as only members of our community will be able to access it. Members have the ability to update their information and choose which information is shared through the directory.

All voting members and friends have been sent an invite to join the directory. If you have not yet joined the digital directory or need help in getting set up, please contact our Communications Coordinator, **Dylan Rice**, at **drice@ccny.org**

PLEASE NOTE: The digital directory is replacing our previous directory process.

GET INVOLVED!

GATHERING AROUND THE TABLE

Break bread at the table with members of our community! If you're interested in hosting an event, contact Leslie McKenzie at lesliemck153@gmail.com

WORSHIP ASSOCIATES

Rev. Peggy is seeking Worship Associates. If you're interested in playing a more active role on Sunday mornings, please let her know by contacting her at <u>pclarke@ccny.org</u>

SERVICE GREETERS

Rev. Jude Geiger is seeking 2 PM Service Greeters. If you're interested in serving as a greeter on Sunday afternoons, please let him know by contacting jgeiger@ccny.org

Stay tuned for future opportunities to get involved with New York Cares and prison ministry!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children & Youth are always welcome at Community!

Whether it's Children's Chapel and Learning Workshops on Sundays or mid-week kids' programs, there are many opportunities for the youngest among us to grow their souls both online and in person.

Community is the place to be!

Visit CCNY.org for more information or contact Jil Novenski, the Director of Religious Education for Children & Youth, at jnovenski@ccny.org

PROGRAMMING FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES!

Sunday Morning Zoom Chapel & Learning Workshops

Sundays on Zoom, 9:30am – 11:00am Children & Youth (ages 5-17)

Sunday Afternoon Kids' Community

Sundays in person, 2:00pm – 3:00pm Children & Youth (ages 0-17)

UU Kids Connect GAME TIME!

Third Wednesdays on Zoom, 6:30pm – 7:30pm Children & Youth (all ages)

see our website for more information!

an artists' collective



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Gallery35, a collective of multi-disciplinary visual artists, continues its 2023-24 season with two shows this spring. Our in-person show, currently on view through April at the 10 Park apartment, is John Connors: City. John is a longtime member of Gallery35 and this is his first solo show with us. He is a lifelong artist, having studied at Art Students League, NYC, School of Koho, NYC, and the Edo Cultural Center in Tokyo, Japan. The second show is online -City Life. Eight Gallery35 artists have work depicting different aspects of urban life.

John Connors' show can be seen by appointment or by attending one of the church's activities that take place at the church apartment. The will be theGallery35's venue for future onsite shows over the next few years while awaiting the church's new location The online show can be viewed on Gallery35's website https://gallery35nyc.com/on-exhibit-now/

General information about Gallery35, as well as links to several previous shows, can be found on Gallery35's website – gallery35nyc.com

The gallery has two more exhibits coming up for the 2023/2024 season: May/June - Whimsey May/August— Perspectives

Watch for announcements in the church's weekly emails, the church's Facebook page, and on our gallery website: www.gallery35nyc.com



SUPPORT IN COMMUNITY

Thank you for being part of our community! Our church thrives through the active participation of community. There are many ways for you to share your gifts and talents with us.



Join us for service on Sundays at 2pm. Learn more about our church and our program offerings



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