

Adult Sunday School	
Summer Handbells	Today through August 28, 9:00 a.m., Room 127
This class is for anyone over 16 who would like to learn handbell music and techniques. The goal will be to form a handbell choir to provide music for the August 28 worship service. Potential ringers should be able to read music and count and may attend any or all of the classes without committing to being a part of the handbell choir. However, any ringers who would like to be a part of the handbell choir on August 28 must attend the classes on August 21 and August 28. Led by Dan Stokes.	
Nowhere to Rest Your Head: Fr. Greg Boyle	August 14 and 21, 9:00 a.m. Room 511
This audio sermon series was originally given several weeks ago at Chautauqua. Fr. Boyle founded Homeboy Industries which offers alternative schooling and job training for the poor youth of East Los Angeles. He is a wonderful preacher and storyteller. His sermon series asks and addresses how we can follow Jesus with integrity. Come and enjoy!	
On the Emotional Life of Boys	August 28, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
Michael Thompson, noted child psychologist, lectures on what recent psychological and sociological research has uncovered about the distinctive emotional life of boys and its consequences for American society. Video lecture followed by group discussion. Led by Paul Dorman.	

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Opportunities for Service

7-2-9 Club – Enjoy a Wednesday evening (yes, from 7 to 9 p.m.), until June, with guests recovering from mental illness. There are games, entertainment, refreshments and time for making friends. Contact Spence Gibbins, spencergib@aol.com

Community Club – A one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program, for DC public and charter school students (grades 7-12), meets at the church on Thursday nights, during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! Please contact Tom Karr and Shamika Bradley at directors@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

Food for the Hungry – Non-perishable food donations are needed by the Capital Area Food Bank, the large nonprofit hunger and nutrition education resource in the Washington area. Please place your donations in the baskets located at the rear of the Sanctuary or at the front desk.

New York Avenue Foundation – The NYAF's mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need throughout Washington, DC. Grant proposals are solicited and awarded annually to Community Club and other grassroots non-profits that further its mission. A volunteer Board of Directors conducts the work of NYAF. If you are interested in learning more or participating in the NYAF mission, contact Brian Schimming, nyavefoundation@gmail.com. CFC #25839.

Radcliffe Room Ministry – Come join our homeless guests, Sundays, 8:15-9:45 a.m., for hymn singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of umbrellas, rain gear, clothing, toiletries, and transportation money are needed. Contact Eleanor Robins, robinsleanor@hotmail.com

The Peace Candle – Visitors are invited to take a Peace Candle home to their congregations. Candles are at the back, right side, of the sanctuary. Please sign the note card there, so we may know who you are. For more information about the Peace and Justice Committee activities, contact Marilyn Seiber, mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net

Triangle Park Committee – Working with the National Park Service to ensure maintenance and oversee the flower and plant beds along the church wall, we meet 4-6 times a year, conduct business via email, and schedule work days as needed. Contact Marilyn Seiber, mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net Beth DuMez, bethdumez@erols.com or Barry Tindall, barrytindall@verizon.net

NYAPC's Young Adults – For more information about Sunday brunches, Faith on Tap, Bible study, or other fellowship or service activities (or to be added to the e-mail list), contact Helen Anthony (shanthon@ncsu.edu), Phil Bolles (philbolles@gmail.com), or Katherine Leiden (keleiden@gmail.com).

Annual Stewardship - Each of the ministries described on this page, as well as everything else that happens at this church, is supported in a significant way by Annual Stewardship giving. Annual Stewardship is the act of making a financial pledge to the church operating budget for a year and completing that pledge. It is a deep personal and congregational theological act, and it is essential to the worship, community, and mission of this church! Members, affiliates, and friends are all invited to participate in Annual Stewardship. Please contact Jan Maheras, the church accountant, Laura Asiala, the chair of the Annual Stewardship Committee, or Rev. Roger Gench, the Senior Pastor, for more information, questions, or to make your pledge.

We are in need of volunteers to help make NYAPC a welcoming place for our visitors and members by staffing the welcome table in the narthex before and after services. Welcome table volunteers arrive about 20-30 minutes before a Sunday service to greet worshippers and then hang out for about 15-20 minutes after the service to chat with visitors and members during coffee time. For more details visit <http://bit.ly/1OFP66r>. If you are interested in signing up for one (or more!) services please contact Alison Kootstra Nowak at amkootstra@gmail.com or Paul Dorman at pbdornanp@aol.com.



Celebration of Worship

The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church welcomes all people into community, worship, service and leadership.

August 14, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude “Siciliana”
John Alcock
Introit “As Morning Dawns”
Wareham
Nathan Moon, Soloist

***Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

***Call to Worship**

(based on Psalm 85)

Leader: “Let me hear what God will speak, for God will speak peace to God’s people.... Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.”

All: **We meet You here, Lord, at the intersection of love and faithfulness.**

Leader: Here prayer and praise join hands, scripture is embraced, and our voices unite in hymns to You.

All: **Speak tenderly to our hearts in this hour of worship, God of all Creation, and show us the path to peace. Amen.**

***Opening Hymn**

#721, “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”
Pescador De Hombres

Prayer of Confession

(From prayers for a “Broken World” from the Uniting Church of Australia)

Leader: How do we know what You want us to do, O God? Sometimes there are more questions than answers and we cannot decide what is due to You and how that is to be delivered to You. We confess that sometimes it is easier to do what others ask of us. In Your mercy:

All: **Forgive us, O God.**

Leader: If we have listened to the loudest voices asking for our support, or the ones which suit us best and ask least of us, in Your mercy:

All: **Forgive us, O God.**
(silent reflection)

Leader: If we have given more loyalty to earthy rulers than to Your still small voice within us and others have suffered because of this, in Your mercy:

All: **Forgive us, O God.**

Leader: When we crush the prophetic among us because we do not want to hear the truth and Your call in Your mercy:

All: **Forgive us, O God.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***Passing of the Peace**

**Please stand, if able*

***Response**

#595, “Holy, Holy, Holy”
Argentine Santo

English Holy, holy, holy.
My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart knows how to say to you:
you are holy, Lord!

Spanish Santo, santo, santo.
¡Mi corazón te adora!
Mi corazón te sabe decir:
¡Santo eres, Señor!

***A Brief Statement of Faith (Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal)**

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Exodus 1:22-2:10, page 47, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Come Ye Blessed”
John Prindle Scott
Nathan Moon, Soloist

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Exodus 3:16-22, pages 48-49, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “Community for Liberation” Rev. Alice R. Tewell

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#322, “We Are One in Christ Jesus”
(Sing English and then Spanish)
Somos Uno

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Cuando el Pobre Nada Tiene”
“Cuando el Pueblo de Dios Ora”

*Response

#607, “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”
Doxology
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God; You call us to be made holy, to be made in Your image. We trust in Your generosity, and so are free to be generous ourselves, opening our hearts and our wallets freely, giving to the work of Your church in our world. Bless these gifts and us to Your service, Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Sending Hymn

#765, “May the God of Hope Go with Us”
Argentina

English May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Refrain Praying, let us work for peace;
singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.

Spanish ¡Dios de la esperanza, danos gozo y paz!
Al mundo en crisis, habla tu verdad.
Dios de la justicia, mándanos tu luz,
luz y esperanza en la oscuridad.

Estribillo Oremos por la paz,
cantemos de tu amor.
Luchemos por la paz,
fieles a ti, Señor.

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Paeon Fanfare”
Oliphant Chuckerbutty

**Today’s Call to Worship and Prayer of Dedication are by Rev. Carol Penner from “Leadinginworship: Worship Resources in a Mennonite Voice for Ears of All Kinds”

We thank Rev. Ann Davie, Parish Associate, for her leadership in worship this morning.

We wish to thank Samantha Scheff, Nathan Moon, Martha Davis, Fritz von Fleckenstein and Rebecca Davis for their participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in appreciation for the volunteers who serve on the **Finance Committee** by members and friends of the congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

The Peace Candle in the chancel is lit in thanksgiving for the inspiration of peace and community that our Paralympic and Olympic athletes bring the world.

	10:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Nathan Moon
Tour Guide	Len Shabman
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap

Preaching Schedule	
August 21	Rev. Alice R. Tewell
August 28	Rev. Alice R. Tewell

Counters	
August 16	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
August 21	Dan Stokes and Martha Davis
August 28	John Schultheis and ShuXian McKenna
September 6	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein

Information for Sunday Visitors

We extend a warm welcome to visitors! We invite you to sign the guest book at the rear of the Sanctuary.

Parking at the garage is extended to 3:00 p.m. today for the Raise the Roof for Havana Fiesta.

Assisted Listening: Do you have difficulty hearing the service? Our assisted listening system may help you. The system consists of a small wireless receiver and an ear phone. You may also use your own choice of ear phones or t-coil equipped hearing aids with the receiver. Please contact Joe Thierry at josephnthierry@gmail.com or 703-568-5158 for more information.

Building Tours: To take a tour of our building and learn about this congregation’s heritage, current ministry, and outreach, meet the tour guide at the front of the Sanctuary immediately following the service.

Garage Parking: Free self-parking is available on Sundays in the garage next to the church at 1399 New York Avenue until 1 p.m. Please park in any non-reserved space.

Families with Infants and children: Infants and toddlers 4 and under are welcome in the **Park Level nursery**. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. The nursery is open from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. During the services, **children’s worship bulletins**, crayons and books are available in the rear of the Sanctuary. During the sermon time, Pastor Alice and helpers offer **Worship Play** for ages 3-10. During this worship playtime, the children are invited to pray, listen to stories from the Bible and related picture books, sing a song or do a simple craft. At the end of Worship Play, the children are offered a peanut free snack.

When bulletins are waved during worship at NYAPC, it is a sign of appreciation for the music or other contribution to the service. It is an action which we learned from our partner church, the First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana, as an alternative to clapping. For the wavers, it is an expression of joy in the moment and our connections with sisters and brothers in faith.

If you have been worshipping regularly at the New York Avenue Church and do not yet have a permanent nametag or have somehow mislaid your permanent nametag, please fill out a blank form with your name in the envelopes on either of the nametag kiosks in the narthex and the church entryway on the first floor. You will find your permanent nametag on one of the kiosks on one of the next two Sundays. Nametags are just one more way New York Avenue strives to be a welcoming presence in Washington!