

*In thankfulness for God's infinite love,
we come to*

THE NEW YORK AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*To join our separate gifts together as a community
of faith in the reformed tradition, connected to
Presbyterians around the world, to undertake the
tasks which Jesus Christ has set before us. We search
to recognize God's gifts in others and in ourselves, to
discover God's will for our lives, and to do it.*

*To worship and witness for peace and justice as a
downtown congregation in the center of the Nation's
Capital because of the church's rich history and the
challenges offered which help us to grow in our faith.*

*We hear outstanding preaching and inspiring music,
attend varied Christian education activities, and
continue our commitment to inclusiveness, hospitality,
nurture, spiritual growth, and visitation among our
own members and our neighbors.*

Excerpt from The Mission Statement of
The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church

EACH YEAR WE SUPPORT THE
CHURCH'S MISSION FROM OUR
CURRENT INCOMES THROUGH
ANNUAL PLEDGES AND GIFTS.

BUT, IT IS ONLY BECAUSE OF
GENEROUS LEGACY GIFTS
FROM THOSE WHO HAVE GONE
BEFORE US THAT WE CAN DO
AS MUCH AS WE DO.

For where your treasure is,

there will your heart be also. (Matthew 6:21)

*"We do not give to The New York Avenue
Presbyterian Church simply because we*

love the church and its ministry

(although I hope we do), but because we

desire to orient our hearts and our lives

towards God." Rev. Roger J. Gench

One generation shall laud God's works

to another. (Psalm 145:4)



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OUR *Legacies* FOR GOD'S CHURCH



*"Community in the City" by Ardyth Davis
with Bennett Davis and Norma Samuels*

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THE "COMMUNITY IN THE CITY" DISPLAYED IN THE CHURCH ENTRANCE REMINDS US THAT A VAST CLOUD OF WITNESSES CHEERS US ON.

We run the race before us in full awareness of the legacies that these witnesses have left us. For more than 150 years, the members and friends of The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church have supported the program and mission of the Church with annual pledges and gifts, and have contributed to the long-range mission and ministry of the Church through generous planned gifts and bequests.

All of us have some assets which we accumulate during our lifetime. We can predetermine their disposition after our death only if we have a will or estate plan.

Legacy gifts provide us with an opportunity to express and extend our devotion to the Church that we have supported and has supported us during our lifetime.

Bequests are one of many reasons our Church is so vital today. Recent legacy gifts contribute about 12% of our annual operating budget and Endowment Funds created in the past provide us with more than \$100,000 a year for our work.

Your witness and legacy gift will support the future ministry and mission of The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. Consider:

- **Making an undesignated planned gift or bequest that allows the Church to meet urgent needs that vary over time.**



- **Making a designated gift to the Church's Endowment Funds that provide annual income.**
- **Making a designated gift to meet the needs of the Church building or specific programs.**
- **Naming the Church as a beneficiary of a retirement plan or insurance policy.**



The church office can provide you with a list of Session-approved gifts and funds.

It is the policy of the Planned Giving Committee to announce to the congregation bequests when they are received, unless specifically directed not to do so. Your faithfulness in giving will inspire others to become good stewards of their accumulated assets.

Prepared by the Planned Giving Committee, March 2011

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YOUR LEGACY:

The Church invites you to consider a legacy gift as a personal expression of your Christian faith and as an ultimate statement of the values you cherish. Your gift, regardless of size, is significant.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

If you would like information on charitable estate planning or wish to discuss possibilities of making a legacy gift to the Church, please contact Evelyn Ying, Director of Planned Giving/Special Gifts, at 301-495-5912 or eying@nyapc.org, or detach and return this form to the Church.

- I would like to know more about making a legacy gift to the Church through my will, trust, retirement plan, or a planned gift providing me income now.
- I would like to know more about the needs of the Church to which I could dedicate a legacy gift.
- I have already included the NYAPC in my will or estate plan.

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