

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10:00 A.M.

Children And Youth Sunday School

Class	Teachers	Room
3-5 years	Melanie Dann, Michelle Mullineux, Doug House	12
6-8 years	Sarah Whitlow, Kathy Doan, Mike Smith	22
9-12 years	Rob Neill, Jeff West, Sarah Holland	24
Jr. High	Susan Hesser, Tom Faith, Tara Spuhler McCabe (Confirmation)	Park Level
Sr. High	Betsy Merritt, Mary Spatz, Phil Hanna	23

The Goodpasture Class Lincoln Chapel

Envisioning New Life: Today's lesson looks prophetically at a vision in which a mighty freshwater stream flows out of the Temple in Jerusalem eastward to the Dead Sea. The result is that a life-giving, tree-lined river is created that brings the Dead Sea to life and allows it to be teeming with fish. This is about spiritual refreshment and renewal. Ezekiel's vision of a renewed Dead Sea can help us understand the renewal of our personal dead seas. Today's lesson is from Ezekiel 47:1-12. Teacher: Gilbert Anderson; Prayer Leader: Yomi Faniyi

Soldiers of Conscience Today, March 29, Room 520

After two weeks of watching the documentary, *Soldiers of Conscience*, the class will discuss the film through a Bible study on the Good Samaritan and discern faith and ethical responses to the question: "What is the faith-based response to the situation if you see the person getting beat up?"

Lenten Book Study March 1-29, Room 511

A five-week Lenten book study of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* will be led by the NYA pastors. The book will be available for purchase on Sundays in Room 511 and in the church office during the week. Even those unable to attend the class are encouraged to read *Life Together* during Lent – or anytime!

"Holy Week Journey" Sunday, April 5, 10 a.m., Rms. 511 & 520

Join all of us for a Palm to Passion journey where we explore different interpretations of Holy Week passages and practice Holy Week rituals! This will be an event for those of all ages who would like to explore Holy Week with just their minds and/or with all their senses.

Wednesday Lenten Devotions April 1, 8, Noon, Docherty Center

Come at noon on Wednesday for meditation, prayer and refreshment for your soul. Using the *Lectio Divina* way of reading and praying through Scripture, the pastors will lead reflections on the Psalms. April 1 will focus on Psalm 100.

Making Your Wishes Known: Sunday, April 19, 10 a.m. The Practical Side of Legacy Planning Sunday, May 10, 10 a.m.

Jesus talked often about how people manage their financial affairs. We may be puzzled today about how all the economic news we hear relates to Christian stewardship. Come hear Attorney John Quinn talk about how we can make our wishes known and leave a financial legacy that is consistent with Christian discipleship. The first class (April 19) is titled, "Basics of Estate Planning." The second class (May 10) is titled, "Gift Plans You Can Use."

The NYAPC Endowment Funds Sunday, April 26, 10 a.m.

Important financial resources for the NYAPC annual budget come from endowment and reserve funds. To get a complete picture of the church's finances, it is helpful to know what these endowment funds are and how they are used. This class, led by Phil Hanna and Janet Wessling, is designed to provide answers to these questions and to help us fully support the Church's ministries

Bible Study Groups

Alexandria Parish Study Group (Every fourth Tuesday)

Please call Paul Dornan at 703-971-9047 for group information.

Circle II Presbyterian Women's Bible Study (Every first Tuesday)

Please call Lenora Thierry at 703-920-7283 or Barbara Dornan at 703-971-9047 for group information.

Cuba Partners Shared Bible Study (Twice Yearly)

Please call Marilyn Seiber at 703-893-1559 for group information.

Small Group Bible Studies

Please call Miriam Dewhurst at 703-560-0871 for information.

Opportunities for Service

"...we are called as individuals to join our separate gifts together as a community of faith...to undertake the tasks which Jesus Christ has set before us..." (From the NYAPC Mission Statement) For more opportunities for service, please visit our website: www.nyapc.org/ministries

Community Club: This 45-year ministry of NYAPC brings together public high school students in Washington, DC, with adult volunteers for one-on-one tutoring, Thursdays 7:00-8:00 p.m. For additional information, contact Susie Campbell at directors@communityclub.org.

7-2-9 Club: Be part of one of the most unique and gratifying experiences we have at NYAPC by interacting with visitors from St. Elizabeth's Hospital who are struggling with mental illness, Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Contact the church, 202-393-3700. **The 7-2-9 ministry on Wednesday nights plays BINGO and they are in need of prizes: Body lotion, shampoo, Irish Spring bars of soap (these do not melt as quickly in water as others), toothpaste, toothbrushes, travel holders for toothbrushes and soap, Vaseline, and sox (women and men). All of these supplies are very helpful to our many friends at St. Elizabeth's who come for the social party. A box will be at the back on the Sanctuary marked for 7-2-9.**

Radcliffe Room: MORE PEOPLE NEED BUS TOKENS - METRO BUS TOKENS COST MORE. Every Sunday a few guests of the Radcliffe Room, people living in a shelter or on the street, are given bus tokens to look for a job, go to work or to medical appointments. **METRO HAS DISCONTINUED BUS TRANSFERS so more tokens may be needed for each trip. The loss of transfers is a real hardship for homeless people!** Until the use of Smart Cards became popular, the used Metro cards put in the PIGGY BANK on the receptionist desk in the entryway were exchanged for bus tokens. Your COINS/DOLLAR BILLS are needed to offset the extra needs, the decrease in donated Metro cards and the increased price of tokens. If you want to make a larger donation to the Radcliffe Room Ministry, you may make a check payable to The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church with Radcliffe Room Ministry on the memo line.

Peace and Justice

The **Peace Candle** burns to remind all of us to pray for peace and find ways to bring it about with God's help. Please help visitors find a prayer candle outside the Peter Marshall Hall to take home to their congregations and share with others, and have them sign our Guest Register so we know where the **Peace Candle** has been taken. For further information, or to be added to the Peace and Justice Committee list server, contact David Inoue at 202-582-7273 or email: david_inoue@yahoo.com.

Biblical Witness to Peacemaking Lectionary – Peace Through God's Redeeming Acts

March 29 – Luke 19:28-42	April 2 – John 18:33-38
March 30 – Ephesians 4:11-16	April 3 – Hebrews 10:14-18
March 31 – Mark 14:12-25	April 4 – Isaiah 53:1-6
April 1 – John 17:1-5	

Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
Pastor:	Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D.
Associate Pastor for Congregational Life:	Tara Spuhler McCabe, M. Div.
Pastoral Assistant:	Linda LeSourd Lader, M. Div.
Director of Music:	Stanley P. Engebretson, D.M.A.
Director of Planned Giving/Parish Associate:	J. Riley McDonald, M. Div.
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Seminary Intern :	Susi Stoll, M.A.C.E.
Pastor Emeritus:	Jack E. McClendon, Ph.D.

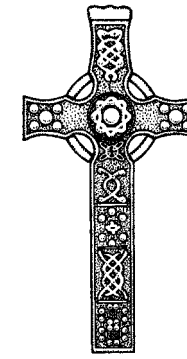
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An inclusive and justice-seeking church.



Celebration of Worship

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

**March 29, 2009
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Prelude	8:45 a.m.	Hymn Sing "Our Soul Truly Is Waiting for God" Geisler	Johann
	11:00 a.m.	"Loving Shepherd" <i>Special Music by the Peace College Chamber Singers, Mr. James Smith, Director</i>	Bob Chilcott
Introit	8:45 a.m.	"Create in Me a Clean Heart" (Schaffe in mir, Gott, ein reines Herz)	Johannes Brahms
	11:00 a.m.	"Kyrie eleison"	W. A. Mozart

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship	One: I am doing a new thing, says our God.
	All: We will answer God with new hearts.
	One: Seek me, and desire truth and mercy, calls our God.
	All: With our whole lives, we will hear God's voice.
	One: If a grain of wheat dies, it grows into new life, promises Jesus.
	All: We will seek to let go, and to grow deeper into faith.
	One: If you wish to follow me, become servants, Jesus tells us.
	All: We will live a life of service, following Him.

*Opening Hymn	# 339 "Be Thou My Vision" Slane
Prayer of Confession	Gracious God, we have all that we need, but we want more – more money, more things, more recognition. Have mercy on us and forgive our selfishness and ingratitude. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit as we open our hearts to You and to one another.

(Adapted from Lectionary Aids 2008-2009, Year B)

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Response	# 316 (verse 1) "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Trentham
	Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.

(The congregation is invited to join in the liturgical movements with the pastors.)

***A Brief Statement of Faith** (May be found in the back cover of pew Hymnal)

**If able, please stand*

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson Jeremiah 31:31-34, page 691, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Time For Children and Their Friends

Anthem *8:45 a.m.* “Turn Thy Face from My Sins” Thomas Atwood
11:00 a.m. “Regnum Mundi” Jacob Handl
Translation: I have held in contempt worldly power and all temporary joys because of the love of Jesus Christ, my Lord, whom mine eyes have seen, whom I have loved, and in whom I have believed and my soul hath found solace.

Second Lesson Psalm 119:9-16, page 535, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “...down in my heart to stay.”
Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe

III. The Community Responds to the Word

***Sermon Hymn** # 365 “Jesus, Priceless Treasure”
Jesu, Meine Freude
(Please remain seated while singing this hymn)

Sacrament of Child Baptism *11:00 a.m.*
Parents: **Jay and Carrie Anderson**
Grandparents: **Carl and Kathy Anderson** and **Rex and Ann Smith**
Great Grandmother: Marge Hughes
Clergy: **The Rev. Roger Joseph Gench and The Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe**
Assisting Elder: **Paul Dornan**

Discussion of the Meaning of Baptism

Questions of the Parents

Question of the Congregation Elder: Recognizing the promises that have been made in her baptism, do you as members of the Church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Jack Everett by word and deed with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ? Do you?
Congregation: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of the saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Baptism

Baptism Hymn #492 “Baptized in Water” (verse 1)
Bunessan
Baptized in Water, Sealed by the Spirit, Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King; Heirs of salvation, Trusting the promise, Faithfully now God’s praises we sing.

Prayer

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *8:45 a.m.* “Sinfonia in F Major” from **Cantata BWV 156** J. S. Bach
11:00 a.m. “Psalm 23” Z. Randall Stroope

***Response** #591 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”
Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication** Holy God, the earth is Yours and the nations are Your people. We make these offerings acknowledging that all we have comes from You. Use these gifts, and us, to provide for those in need. In all we do, let Your love shine through us. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer *(page 16–Traditional)*

*Passing of the Peace

***Sending Hymn** “Down in My Heart”
1 I’ve got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart.
Where? Down in my heart!
Where? Down in my heart!
I’ve got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart,
down in my heart to stay.
REFRAIN And I’m so happy. So very happy !
I’ve got the love of Jesus in my heart.
And I’m so happy so very happy
I’ve got the love of Jesus in my heart!
2 I’ve got the peace that passes understanding,
Down in my heart,
Where? Down in my heart!
Where? Down in my heart!
I’ve got the peace that passes understanding,
down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.
(REFRAIN)
3 I’ve the got love of Jesus, love of Jesus
Down in my heart,
Where? Down in my heart!
Where? Down in my heart!
I’ve the got love of Jesus, love of Jesus
down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.
(REFRAIN)

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

***Congregational Response** Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude *8:45 a.m.* “Trumpet Voluntary in D Major” J. Stanley
11:00 a.m. “Glory to the Father” Randall Stroope

The Flowers in the Chancel today are given by **Mary Lee Spatz** and her family to the glory of God, in loving memory of her parents, **Lucyle H. and Almon Turley Mace**, long-time Christian educators in our church.

We wish to thank our guest choir this morning, the **Peace College Chamber Singers**, under the direction of **Mr. James Smith**. The Chamber Singers are on their spring concert tour of the East coast.

Liturgists: **8:45 a.m.** Barry Tindall **11:00 a.m.** Douglas Porter
Tour Guides: Deborah Dimon John Schultheis

Information for Visitors

We extend a warm welcome to visitors. We invite you to sign the guest book outside of the Peter Marshall Hall.

Building Tours: To take a tour of our building and learn about this congregation’s heritage and current ministry and outreach, meet the tour guide at the entrance to the Peter Marshall Hall.

Infants and children: Babies and toddlers are welcome in the park level nursery. Children’s worship aids are in the side alcove of the Peter Marshall Hall.

Garage Parking: Free self-parking is available in the garage next to the church at 1399 New York Avenue until 1:00 p.m. Please park in any non-reserved space.

Large Print Bibles and Large Print Bulletins are available at the entrance of the Peter Marshall Hall. Persons with impaired hearing may ask an usher for a special receiver.

Why we’re here: Welcome to the Peter Marshall Hall! Our sanctuary is currently undergoing renovation. The renovation will, we pray, make our worship more welcoming and accessible to all who enter our doors. It will involve installation of a new organ, acoustical improvements, reconfiguration of seating and general painting and refurbishing. We expect to return to our beloved sanctuary in May 2009.

Preaching Schedule

March 29 Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe
April 5, Palm Sunday Rev. Roger J. Gench
April 12, Easter Sunday Rev. Roger J. Gench
April 19 Linda L. Lader
April 26 Rev. Roger J. Gench

Counter’s Schedule

March 31 Ginge Peddle and Daniel Stokes
April 7 Phil Hanna and Nancy Dickinson
April 14 Jim Martin and Jim Davidson
April 21 Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
April 26 Martha Davis and John Schultheis