

Summer Schedule

Adult Education Classes at 9 a.m.

The Goodpasture Class Sundays, 9 a.m., The Lincoln Chapel

Pharaoh Ignores God's Call: In Egypt, the Israelites found themselves confronted by powers that were far beyond their control. They struggled against a hierarchy of self-serving political powers, from local foremen to Pharaoh himself. However, God taught Moses that such powers remained wholly subservient to the God who allowed them to have power only temporarily. When the right moment came, God turned his eternal might against them. God will demonstrate his power over Pharaoh by hardening his heart. Today's Lesson: Exodus 5:1-9, 22, 23; 6:1. Teacher: Robert Osborn. Prayer Leader: Yomi Faniyi.

"Tokens of Trust: An Introduction to Christian Belief" Sundays, June 21 and 28 9 a.m., Room 520

Our resource is "Tokens of Trust," written by Rowan Williams, the Archbishop of Canterbury, to ask and answer basic questions of our faith. The book offers new and exciting insights to respond to those basic questions. The classes include "Tokens of Trust," poetry and Bible study. Leaders: Miriam Dewhurst and Paul Dornan. Books: \$12, now available.

The Psalms for Everyone Sunday, June 21, 9 a.m. Room 511

Psalms come in many varieties: prayers, laments, praises, ascents, confessions, thanksgiving ... all addressed to God. Come explore the faith journeys embodied in The Psalms. We will read and discuss a few psalms each week and use [A Theological Introduction to the Psalms](#), by J. Clinton McCann, as a resource. The discussions will be led by Tom Dunlap.

"Listening for God" Contemporary Literature and the Life of Faith Sundays, June 21, 28, July 5, 12 9 a.m., John Q. Adams Room

Where do you listen for God? Jack Lentz will be leading this class, using four selections from "Listening for God," a book of contemporary literature intended to help readers investigate how life and faith merge in surprising ways and places. Advanced reading of the stories is required. The first story is **Revelation** by Flannery O'Connor. The book (\$12) is available at the entry on Sunday mornings.

Guest Speaker: Rev. Francisco Marerro Sunday, July 5 9 a.m., Room 520

Rev. Francisco Marerro, General Secretary of the Presbyterian-Reformed Church in Cuba and Dean of the Evangelical Theological Seminary (Presbyterian founded) in Matanzas, Cuba will lead a discussion on the state of the Presbyterian and other churches in Cuba, its growth, activities and its future, especially in the context of potential change in Cuba and U.S. policy.

Israel-Palestine Dialogue Sundays, July 12, 19, 26 9 a.m., Room 520

A 3-week discussion on the situation in the Middle East.

July 12: "Jimmy Carter: Man from Plains." - Encouraging peace in the region.

July 19: "Sojourner Stories." - First-hand accounts from Bill Plitt and Melinda Thompson.

July 26: Catherine Gordon, PC(USA), discusses policy, her work with Congress and her trips to the Middle East.

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: *Resuming in September:* 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: *Resuming in September:* 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 socks (women and men). All of these supplies are very helpful to our many friends at St. Elizabeth's who come for the social party. Please leave your donations at the front desk.**

Radcliffe Room: 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, many used Metro cards placed 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 and place it in the offering or leave it at the front desk.

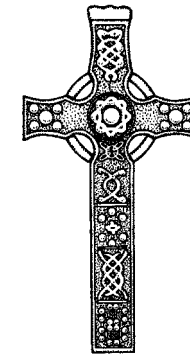
Peace and Justice

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 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.

Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
Pastor:	Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D.
Associate Pastor for Congregational Life:	Tara Spuhler McCabe, M. Div.
Pastoral Associate:	Linda LeSourd Lader, M. Div.
Director of Music:	Stanley P. Engebretson, D.M.A.
Director of Planned Giving:	Evelyn S. Ying
Parish Associates:	J. Riley McDonald, M.Div. Peter Boevé, M. Div. J. Gary Campbell, M. Div., M.A. Ann Rose Davie, M. Div. Frances Taylor Gench, M. Div., Ph.D. John T. Mathison, M. Div. Judith E. Michaels, D. Min., Ph.D. Glenn Myers, M. Div., M.A.
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Celebration of Worship

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

June 21, 2009

10:00 a.m.

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude

"Glory to God"

Mary Goetze

Chicora Young Women

Introit

"Be Thou My Vision"

Bob Chilcott

Chicora Young Men and Chicora Young Women

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

One: God gives abundantly to the needy and the poor.

All: God makes all things possible.

One: God gives shelter to the weary, and peace to the frightened.

All: God makes all things possible.

One: The strength and grace of God is here!

All: Let us worship our God!

(Adapted from "Call to Worship" Year B Lectionary Aids 2008-09)

*Opening Hymn

241, "Behold the Goodness of Our Lord"

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Prayer of Confession

God of David, we hear booming voices deriding our faith. We want to be brave for You, but we are not. We want to trust in the gifts You have given us, but we do not. We back away, mumbling excuses. Have mercy on us, O God. Give us courage to step forward as Your people, trusting in Your power, working through us, and strengthen our voices to proclaim Your praise.

(From "Prayer of Confession" Year B Lectionary Aids 2008-2009)

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Response

"In the Lord"

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In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,

In the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God, do not be afraid;

Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;

Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

***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	I Samuel:17 <i>(see insert)</i>
Anthem	“Alleluia” Ralph Manuel Chicora Young Men and Chicora Young Women

Time for Children and Their Friends

(Children may join Pastor Tara for worship play. After the sermon, children will return to their parents. Children under age 4 are welcome in the Nursery.)

Second Lesson	I Samuel:17 <i>(see insert)</i> Leader: This is the word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.
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Sermon	“Low Expectations Make Way for Gigantic Possibilities” Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe
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III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn	# 369 “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” I’m Gonna Live
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Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission	Peacemaking
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Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory	“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” arr. Wilberg Chicora Young Men
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*Response	#591 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Doxology
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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	Gracious God, we are Yours, and all we have comes from You. May these gifts, and our lives, make manifest Your love, justice and peace to all the world, to the praise and glory of Jesus’ name. Amen.
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Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer *(page 16-Traditional)*

*Passing of the Peace

*Sending Hymn	#268, “God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens” Holy Manna
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- 1 God who stretched the spangled heavens, Infinite in time and place, Flung the suns in burning radiance Through the silent fields of space: We, Your children, in Your likeness Share inventive powers with You; Great Creator, still creating, Show us what we yet may do.**

- 2 We have ventured worlds undreamed of Since the childhood of our race; Known the ecstasy of winging Through untraveled realms of space; Probed the secrets of the atom, Yielding unimagined power, Facing us with life’s destruction Or our most triumphant hour.**
- 3 As each far horizon beckons, May it challenge us anew: Children of creative purpose, Serving others, honoring You. May our dreams prove rich with promise, Each endeavor well begun; Great Creator, give us guidance Till our goals and Yours are one.**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response	Alleluia! Amen!
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Postlude	“Praise His Holy Name” Keith Hampton Chicora Young Men and Chicora Young Women
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We wish to thank the **Chicora Choir** and their directors **Alan and Laura Jean Reed** for joining us in worship this morning. They are, officially, the first guest choir in our new sanctuary! We also wish to thank **Celia Im**, who is our pianist this morning while Dr. Engebretson is on holiday in MN with family.

The Flowers in the Sanctuary today have been given by **The Rev. Ann Rose Davie** in memory of Bruce Davie and in appreciation for this community of faith.

Flowers for the Sanctuary:

There are opportunities for members and friends of the church to have flowers placed in the Sanctuary for Sunday morning worship. If you are interested in having an arrangement placed in memory of someone or in celebration of a special event, please contact **Mrs. Mary Anne Davis at 703-256-3588.**

Greeters:	Mary Nell Clark and Beth Clark Sam McFerran and Lauren McGarity McFerran
Liturgists:	Jeffrey West and Douglas Porter
Tour Guide:	Robert Osborn

Preaching Schedule

June 28 through July 26	Rev. Roger J. Gench
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Counter’s Schedule

June 21	Dan Stokes and Barbara Dornan
June 30	Amy Gillespie and Janet Wessling

Biblical Witness to Peacemaking Lectionary – God is Our Refuge and Strength

June 21 – Psalm 46	June 25 – Isaiah 57:11-21
June 22 – Isaiah 40:27-31	June 26 – Psalm 2
June 23 – Mark 4:35-41	June 27 – Psalm 91
June 24 – Psalm 18:1-19	

Information for Visitors

We extend a warm welcome to visitors!

We invite you to sign the guest book.

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 front of the Sanctuary immediately following the service.

Infants and children: Babies and toddlers are welcome in the park level nursery. Children’s worship aids are available in the rear of the Sanctuary.

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 Sanctuary. Persons with impaired hearing may ask an usher for a special receiver.