

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10:00 a.m.

Class	Teachers
Nursery (8:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)	Certified and professional staff members
Pre-K (3-5)	Michelle Mullineaux, Doug House, Sally Davis
Multi-age Extravaganza (6-11)	Kathy Doan, Mike Smith, Alex Mullineaux, David Gillies, Marsha Renwanz
Junior High (12-14)	Paul Dornan, Jeff West, Tara Spuhler McCabe
Confirmation	Susan Hesser, Chris Reihling, Tara Spuhler McCabe
Senior High	Phil Hanna, Betsy Merritt, Mary Spatz
Substitutes	Rob Neill, Sarah Holland, Sarah Whitlow

### The Goodpasture Class      The Lincoln Chapel

DECLARED IN PRAYER: After revealing many miracles and preaching about God's kingdom, Jesus pronounced a direct judgment in Israel. The cities did not believe and receive a transformed life. When we receive the truth and follow Jesus, there is a change within our hearts. God's standards are based upon our ability to hear and believe the truth of God's kingdom, which is the Word of God. Today's lesson is from Matthew 11:25-30. Teacher: Robert Anderson. Prayer Leader: Yomi Faniyi.

### Prayer – Sundays An Adventure with God      10 a.m., Room 127

This class on prayer is offered as an opportunity to learn more about prayer and to spend time in prayer with others. A study guide is available (\$8). The last portion of each class will be devoted to prayer, and non-class participants are welcome to bring prayer concerns and/or join in this prayer time. Class leader: Miriam Dewhurst

### Faith & Economics      TODAY, January 24 10 a.m., Room 520

For the last two Sundays, Dr. Walter Owensby has challenged us to look at guided globalization through faith-based eyes. Today, January 24, Leonard Shabman, NYAPC member and economist with Resources for the Future, will offer a response. We hope you will join us.

### The Challenge of Diversity: Sundays, Biblical Food for Thought      January 31 & February 7 10 a.m., The Lincoln Parlor

The sessions, lead by Frances Gench, will engage participants in reflection on internal and external challenges the reality of racial, ethnic, and religious diversity presents for the life of the church.

January 31: The church and the internal challenge of racial and ethnic diversity. This session will engage Acts 6 as a resource for reflection on navigating tensions occasioned by racial and ethnic diversity under our ecclesial roof.

February 7: The church and the external challenge of religious pluralism. What are we to make of John 14:6 ("I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me")? The session will engage this much-debated text as a resource for reflection on the challenge of religious pluralism.

### A Taste of Authenticity      Sunday, January 31 12:30 p.m., Room 520

Join Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe and others for an introduction into a series of classes on Authentic Living: What God intends for all of us. On January 31<sup>st</sup>, we will offer an overview of the classes that offer foundational **spiritual** practices to integrate one's **religious**, psychological, and intellectual curiosity within daily living. This one session will be an opportunity to discern if you are interested in joining a 6 week Sunday afternoon class that will begin during Lent.

### The Gospel of John: A New Look      Sunday, February 14 10 a.m., Room 511

Parish associate Rev. Peter Boevé will lead a study of the Gospel of John. All are invited to join the study and discussion.

### "What Is Radical Hospitality?"      Resumes on February 28

## 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](http://www.nyapc.org/ministries)

**The New York Avenue Foundation** seeks members for its Board of Directors. The mission of the NYA Foundation is to assist young people to complete schooling in the District of Columbia public schools and to go on to higher education. Through its grants program, the Foundation distributes more than \$30,000 each year (of which at least \$18,000 goes to Community Club) to local non-profit organizations which further this mission. Serving on the NYA Foundation Board is a wonderful way to learn about the small non-profits in DC that support inner city children and youth. The board meets nine or ten times a year and each board member has the opportunity to visit one or more of the non-profit organizations that apply for a grant. Please consider joining us! For more information, contact Jennifer McIver at [jenzan@msn.com](mailto:jenzan@msn.com) or 703-785-4762.

**Community Club:** Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Seeking tutors and other volunteers, including a webmaster: Community Club offers a unique opportunity to share your gifts, talents and love with the children of Washington, DC. **Did you know that Community Club relies on volunteers not only to tutor, but to do a variety of other tasks throughout the year?** Tutoring requires your presence at NYAPC on Thursday evenings, but other volunteer opportunities may not. Weekly orientations for new tutors occur each week at 6:30. Information about Community Club can be found (and new tutors can register) at the web site [www.communityclub.org](http://www.communityclub.org). Questions about orientation can be directed via e-mail to Susannah Harris [Susannah@communityclub.org](mailto:Susannah@communityclub.org). Our Director, Tom Karr, can be reached with general questions by e-mail at [directors@communityclub.org](mailto:directors@communityclub.org).

**7-2-9 Club:** Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Be part of one of the most unique and gratifying experiences we have at NYAPC-- interact with visitors from St. Elizabeth's Hospital who struggle with mental illness. Contact the church, 202-393-3700. The 7-2-9 ministry plays BINGO and 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 Ministry:

**Clothing Closet Volunteers Needed:** Have you ever wanted to run your own clothing store? Now is your chance. Volunteers are needed at the Radcliffe Room clothing closet. The clothing closet is open 9-10 a.m. on Sundays. Patrons greatly benefit from the clothing available to them. In order to keep it open every Sunday, we would like to have two additional volunteers to help out one or two Sundays a month. We think you will find it a fun and rewarding experience. If you are interested, please contact Suzie Waltzer at [suzie424@yahoo.com](mailto:suzie424@yahoo.com)

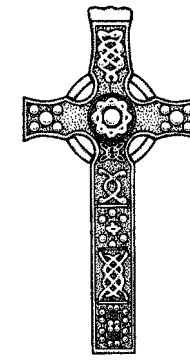
**Clothing Needed:** We appreciate all the generous donations from members; we are always in need of additional clothing items. We welcome a variety of items and those of particular need include: WARM COATS, men's and women's jeans, casual pants, t-shirts and cotton collar shirts, as well as shoes (such as tennis shoes and boots). In addition, we appreciate donations of toiletries such as soap, shampoo, lotion and razors.

**Transportation Funds Needed:** The money and Metro cards put in the "Piggy Bank" on the receptionist desk at the entry is used to help Radcliffe Room guests who are going to work, looking for a job or going to a medical appointment. Bus tokens are purchased and money can be added to the Metro cards. Please imagine how much your help needed and appreciated.

#### Peace and Justice

**The Peace Candle** reminds 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](mailto:david_inoue@yahoo.com)

Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
Pastor:	Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D.
Associate Pastor for Congregational Life:	Tara Spuhler McCabe, M. Div.
Parish Associate for Visitation:	Ann Rose Davie, M. Div.
Pastoral Associate:	Linda LeSourd Lader, M. Div.
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Director of Planned Giving:	Evelyn S. Ying
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Pastor Emeritus:	Jack E. McClendon, Ph.D.



## Celebration of Worship

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

**January 24, 2010**

**8:45 and 11 a.m.**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Prelude 8:45** Hymn Sing

11:00 Tune for the Oboe  
Gordon Young

**Introit** "Come, Sing O Church In Joy!"  
John Darwall, 1770

**\*Lincoln Chimes**

### I. The Community Gathers for Worship

**\*Call to Worship**

One The Spirit of the Lord is upon us.

**All** By the grace of Jesus Christ there is good news for the poor, release for the captives, recovery of sight for the blind, and freedom for the oppressed.

One This is the time of the Lord's favor; today in Christ Jesus this scripture is fulfilled.

**All** Thanks be to God!

*(From "Call to Worship" – Lectionary Aids 2009-2010)*

**\*Opening Hymn**

#260, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"  
Ein' Feste Burg

**Prayer of Confession**

**God of freedom, Jesus came to bring good news, to mend and to heal, to release and to redeem, and to proclaim Your reign. We confess that we have ignored His message. We remain captive to sin, bruised and broken by our transgressions. We are convinced that the news is always bad, and that we are forever stuck where we are, as we are. Help us to hear the truth of the gospel. Inspire us with Your liberating word. Let Your Spirit cleanse us and change us so that we may receive all that You have declared in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

*(From "Call to Worship" – Lectionary Aids 2009-2010)*

**Silent Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Response** "In the Lord"

**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** Psalm 19, page 472, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** “Show Me Thy Ways”  
Richard Pelz

### Time for Children and Their Friends

*(8:45 a.m.: 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** Luke 4:14-21, page 57, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** “Close to the Ground”  
Rev. Roger J. Gench

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

**Sermon Hymn** #405, “What Does the Lord Require”  
Sharpthorne

### Concerns of the Church

### Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory** 8:45 \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around  
The Table for Giving and Prayer

11:00 “Let Your Eye Be To The Lord”  
Daniel Moe

**\*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 and Giving God, we are Yours, and all we have comes from You. Use these gifts and each of our lives to bring hope where there is despair, love where there is fear, and light where there is darkness. For the sake of Your Kingdom we pray, Amen.

### Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

**\*Passing of the Peace** (11:00 a.m.)

**\*Sending Hymn** #332, “Live into Hope”  
Truro

- 1 Live into hope of captives freed, Of sight regained, the end of greed. The oppressed shall be the first to see The year of God’s own jubilee!
- 2 Live into hope the blind shall see With insight and with clarity, Removing shades of pride and fear – A vision of our God brought near.
- 3 Live into hope of liberty, The right to speak, the right to be, the right to be, The right to have one’s daily bread, To hear God’s word and thus be fed.
- 4 Live into hope of captives freed From chains of fear or want or greed. God now proclaims our full release To faith and hope and joy and peace.

**\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response** Alleluia! Amen!

**Postlude** “Prelude in Classic Style”  
Gordon Young

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**The Flowers in the Chancel today** are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones and friends by members and friends of the Congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

Members and friends of The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church who wish to place flowers in the Chancel on Sunday are invited to contact Mary Anne Davis (703-256-3588).

Liturgists	8:45	Sam McFerran
	11:00	Sally Mollenkamp
Greeters	8:45	The Gillies Family, David, Amy, Jack and Lauren
	11:00	Glory and Joseph Eyong
Tour Guides	8:45	Wilson Golden
	11:00	John Schultheis

Counters:

January 24 –	Amy Gillespie and Dan Stokes
February 2 –	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
February 9 –	Jim Martin and Barbara Dornan
February 16 –	Nancy Dickinson and Phil Hanna
February 21 –	John Schultheis and Janet Wessling

### Presbyterian Assistance to Haiti

Prayers are requested for the people of Haiti where a January 12 earthquake destroyed many buildings and cost many lives. Haiti, the poorest country in the Western hemisphere, is ill-equipped to handle such destruction. The PCUSA is still contacting its many partners in the country, and has set a \$1,000,000 goal for assistance to Haiti. You can give through this congregation, making the check out to the church, with **DR000064** in the memo line, or by going to the denomination’s website, [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda). You can find updates on the website about what PCUSA is doing to help.

### 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.

## Information for Visitors

We extend a warm welcome to visitors!

We invite you to sign the guest book at the rear of the Sanctuary.

**When bulletins are waved during worship** at New York Avenue, it is a sign of appreciation for the music or other contribution to the service. It is an action which we learned from our sister church, the First Presbyterian 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.

**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.

**Coffee Hour:** Between services, all are invited to meet and greet friends and visitors in the back of the Sanctuary.

**Infants and children:** Babies and toddlers are welcome in the park level nursery. **Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals.** 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 p.m. Please park in any non-reserved space.

**Large Print Bibles and Large Print Bulletins:** Available at the entrance of the Sanctuary. Persons with impaired hearing may ask an usher for a special receiver.