

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

MISSION TO THE COMMUNITY: Jonah was unwilling to help a community that God wanted to see. When told of their impending destruction, the community of Nineveh mourned their sin and repented. The people acted individually and as a community. Fasting and applying ashes were a part of their sign of penitence. Today's lesson is from Jonah 1:1-3; 3:1-9. Teacher: Yomi Faniyi. Prayer Leader: Yomi Faniyi.

Historical Perspectives: TODAY, March 7 A four-part series 10 a.m., Room 511

Dr. Dewey Wallace continues a four-part series on the historical perspective of the impact of immigration on religion in America.

Lenten Book Study: TODAY, March 7 "Why the Cross?" 10 a.m., Room 520

What does it mean to say that "Christ died for our sins?" Did we really "die with Christ?" Who or what was "reconciled" through the cross? Come explore these and other questions about the cross with the pastors in the Lenten book study based on Charles Cousar's *The Theology of the Cross*. Linda Lader leads today's session; next week we will explore the connection between Jesus' death and resurrection. Reading materials will be provided.

New Member Classes Sunday, March 7, 14, 21 12:15 p.m., Room 511

Thinking about joining the New York Avenue Church? The next series of classes for new members begins **TODAY** in Room 511. Call Tiffany Dougall at 202-393-3702, x215 or Paul Dornan at 703-971-9047 if you have any questions. **Come and See!**

A Taste of Authenticity Sundays, March 14, 21, April 11, 18, 25, May 2 12:15 p.m., Room 520

Join Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe and others for a series of classes on Authentic Living: What God intends for all of us. We will learn foundational spiritual practices to integrate one's religious, psychological, and intellectual curiosity within daily living.

Overnight Retreat for Lent Start: March 24 at 1 p.m. at Meadowkirk End: March 25 at 1 p.m.

Rev. Roger Gench will be leading a silent retreat. It will be held at beautiful Meadowkirk and will include 4 meals and an overnight stay; cost will be about \$135. Everyone is invited; reservations are necessary. If you wish to attend, please contact Tom Dunlap at shakescene@aol.com by Sunday, February 28.

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

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 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. Questions about orientation can be directed via e-mail to Susannah Harris Susannah@communityclub.org. Our Director, Tom Karr, can be reached with general questions by e-mail at 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

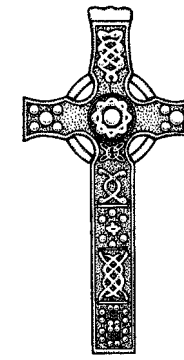
Clothing Needed: We appreciate all the generous donations from members; we are always in need of additional clothing items. We welcome a variety of items and those of particular need include: WARM COATS, men's and women's jeans, casual pants, t-shirts and cotton collar shirts, as well as shoes (such 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 Mary Nell Clark at marynellclark@comcast.net or Fritz von Fleckenstein at fritz@alumni.reed.edu.

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.
Parish Associate for Visitation:	Ann Rose Davie, M. Div.
Director of Planned Giving:	Evelyn S. Ying, J.D.
Parish Associates:	Peter Boevé, M. Div. J. Gary Campbell, M. Div., M.A. Frances Taylor Gench, M. Div., Ph.D. John T. Mathison, M. Div. J. Riley McDonald, M.Div Judith E. Michaels, D. Min., Ph.D. Glenn Myers, M. Div., M.A.



Celebration of Worship

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

March 7, 2010

8:45 and 11 a.m.

**Third Sunday in Lent
Communion Sunday**

Prelude 8:45 Hymn Sing
 11:00 "Schmücke dich"

Johann Crüger

Introit "Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether"
 Harold Friedell

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

One O Lord, I will bless You as long as I live.

All I will lift up my hands and call upon Your name.

One My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast.

All My mouth praises You with joyful lips.

One I praise You, O God, for You have been my help.

All In the shadow of Your wings I sing for joy.

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

*Opening Hymn

#83 (verses 1-2),

"O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High"

Deo Gracias

Prayer of Confession

Patient God, how trying we must be. You have told us; You have shown us; You have come among us. Still, we look away, ignoring, forgetting, and rejecting Your purposes for us. Have mercy on us. Forgive us for what we have done, and for what we have not done. Tell us again. Show us again. With grace anew, come among us again, so that we might start fresh, and receive the life You have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***Response** #83 (verses 4-5),
 "O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High"
 Deo Gracias

For us He rose from death again; For us He went on high to reign; For us He sent the Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

All glory to our Lord and God For love so deep, so high, so broad: The Trinity whom we adore Forever and forevermore.

***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 63:1-8, page 498, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Anthem “O Most Merciful” (Schoenster Herr Jesu)
Munster Gesangbuch, 1677

Time for Children and Their Friends
(8:45a.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 12:1-9, page 69, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Sermon “**Bearing Fruit**”
Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sermon Hymn #413, “All Who Love and Serve Your City”
Charlestown

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Geistliches Lied,” Op. 30
Lass dich nur nicht nichts dauren (Let nothing ever grieve thee)
Johannes Brahms
Translation:
Do not be sorrowful or regretful; Be calm, as God has ordained, and thus thy will shall be content.
Why do you worry from day to day? There is One who stands above all who gives you, too, what is yours.
Only be steadfast in all you do, stand firm; what God has decided, that is and must be the best. Amen.

***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.**

Service of Communion

Invitation
Litany of Thanksgiving One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer Eternal God, holy and mighty, it is truly right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise, and to worship You in every place where Your glory abides.

You commanded light to shine out of darkness, divided the sea and dry land, created the vast universe and called it good. You made us in your image to live with one another in love. You gave us the breath of life and freedom to choose Your way. You promised Yourself in covenant with Abraham and Sarah, told us Your purpose in commandments through Moses, and called for justice in the cry of prophets. Through long generations You have been faithful and kind to all Your children. Great and wonderful are Your works, Lord God Almighty. Your ways are just and true. Therefore we lift our hearts in joyful praise, joining our voices with choirs of angels, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name.

Response #140 “Holy, Holy”
Holy, Holy (Irregular)
Holy, holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty; And we lift our hearts before You as a token of our love, Holy, holy, holy, holy.

We praise You, most holy God, for sending Your only Son to live among us, sharing our joy and sorrow. He told Your story, healed the sick, and was a friend of sinners. Obeying You, He took up His cross and died that we might live. We praise You that He overcame death and is risen to rule the world. He is still the friend of sinners. We trust Him to overcome every power that can hurt or divide us, and believe that when He comes in glory, we will celebrate victory with Him.

Gracious God, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these Your gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by His blood. Send us out in the power of the Spirit to live for others, as Christ lived for us, announcing His death for the sins of the world, and telling His resurrection to all people and nations. By Your Spirit draw us together into one body and join us to Christ the Lord, that we may remain His glad and faithful people until we feast with Him in glory. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are Yours, almighty God, forever and ever. Amen.

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements
(8:45 a.m.) Participants in the communion proceed down the aisles to the servers, take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, partake and remain at the front of the Sanctuary. Those unable to come forward will be offered the bread and the cup at their seats.
(11:00 a.m.) Please partake of bread when received; hold the cup until all have been served so that we may commune together.

(There is a Gluten Free communion set available; raise your hand for a pastor to respond.)

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

***Passing of the Peace**

***Sending Hymn** #76 (verses 1-2, 5), “My Song is Love Unknown”
Love Unknown

1 My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me, Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be. O who am I That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?

2 Christ came from heaven’s throne Salvation to bestow, But people scorned and none The longed-for Christ would know. But O my Friend, my Friend indeed, Who at my need, His life did spend.
5 Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine: Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine. This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Response** Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude “My Song is Love Unknown”
John Ireland

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Liturgists 8:45 G. Phillips Hanna
11:00 David H. Inoue
Greeters 8:45 Eleanor Pratt
11:00 Youngmin Chang and Yomi Faniyi
Tour Guides 8:45 Gerald R. Moody
11:00 John Gagosian

Counters
March 9 – Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
March 14 – John Schultheis and Martha Davis

Preaching Schedule
March 14 – Rev. Roger J. Gench
March 21 – Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe

Information for Visitors

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

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.

Radcliffe Room Ministry: Everyone is invited and encouraged to come to the Radcliffe Room between Sunday worship services. This is a vibrant NYAPC ministry and we would love to have you join us: meet our friends for coffee, conversation, bagels and hymn singing.

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.