# Adult, Youth and Children's Sunday School

## **Summer Schedule through August 31**

# Classes for all ages will resume September 7 Worship at 10 a.m.

Babies and toddlers under 4 are welcome in the Park Level nursery. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. During the service, children's worship bulletins are available in the rear of the Sanctuary. Youth and children's classes resume September 7.

Worship Play offered during the sermon for children ages 4 through Fifth Grade.

### **Adult Sunday School**

Sundays, September 7-28 10 a.m., Room 511

"The Theology of Karl Barth" Many consider Karl Barth the most important Christian theologian of the twentieth century. This class will discuss his lectures on the Apostle's Creed delivered in postwar Bonn in 1946 and published under the title Dogmatics in Outline. These lectures provide a brief introduction to many of the principal themes of his theological reflections. Dewey Wallace, Professor Emeritus, George Washington University, will lead the class. Copies of Dogmatics in Outline will be available from Paul Dornan or at the entryway desk starting this weekend. Each copy costs \$12.

### THE BLESSING OF PEACE

August 24– Proverbs 14: 29-31
August 25– Esther 10: 3
August 26– Daniel 10: 4-10
August 27– Psalm 85
August 28– Luke 2: 25-38
August 29– Romans 15: 7-13
August 30– 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9

www.pcusa.org/resource/2013-2014-biblical-witness-peacemaking

#### **Opportunities for Service**

<u>7-2-9 Club</u> – (*resumes in September*) Enjoy a Wednesday evening (yes, from 7 to 9 p.m.), September until June, with guests recovering from mental illness. There are games, entertainment, refreshments and time for making friends. Contact Spence Gibbins, <a href="mailto:spencergib@aol.com">spencergib@aol.com</a>

<u>Community Club</u> – (resumes in September) A one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program, for DC public and charter school students (grades 7-12), meets at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! Please contact Tom Karr and Shamika Bradley at <u>directors@communityclub.org</u> or go to <u>www.communityclub.org</u> for more information.

**Food for the Hungry** – Non-perishable food donations are needed by the Capital Area Food Bank, the large nonprofit hunger and nutrition education resource in the Washington area. Please place your donations in the baskets located at the rear of the Sanctuary.

New York Avenue Foundation – The NYAF mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need throughout Washington, DC. Annually it solicits proposals and awards grants to grassroots non-profits, which further that mission. A volunteer Board of Trustees conducts the work of NYAF. If you are interested in learning more or participating in the NYAF mission, contact John Courson, nyavefoundation@gmail.com or 202-735-5005.

**Radcliffe Room Ministry** – Come join our homeless guests, Sundays, 8:15-10:30 a.m., for hymn singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of umbrellas, rain gear, clothing, toiletries, and transportation money are needed. Contact Eleanor Robins, <a href="mailto:robinseleanor@hotmail.com">robinseleanor@hotmail.com</a>

<u>The Peace Candle</u> – Visitors are invited to take a prayer candle home to their congregations. Candles are at the back, right side, of the sanctuary. Please sign the notepad there, so we may know who you are. For more information about the Peace and Justice Committee activities, contact Fritz von Fleckenstein, <u>fritz@alumni.reed.edu</u>

<u>Triangle Park Committee</u> – Working with the National Park Service to ensure maintenance and oversee the flower and plant beds along the church wall, we meet 4-6 times a year, conduct business via email, and schedule work days as needed. Contact Marilyn Seiber, <u>mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net</u> Beth DuMez, <u>bethdumez@erols.com</u> or Barry Tindall, <u>barrytindall@verizon.net</u>

NYAPC's Young Adults – For more information about Sunday brunches, Faith on Tap, Bible study, and other fellowship or service activities (or to be added to the e-mail list), contact Richard Snyder (<a href="mailto:snyder.richard@gmail.com">snyder.richard@gmail.com</a>) or Benno Lauer (<a href="mailto:benno.lauer@gmail.com">benno.lauer@gmail.com</a>).



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The Entire Congregation

"An inclusive and justice seeking church"



# **Celebration of Worship**

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

August 24, 2014 10:00 a.m. 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

The worship service begins with a brief period for personal meditation and the Prelude.

Prelude "Air," from Suite in D Major

J. S. Bach

"Here I Am, Lord"

Traditional

David Clark, saxophone

**Introit** "Down to the River to Pray"

Traditional

\* Lincoln Chimes

### I. The Community Gathers for Worship

\* Call to Worship (selections from "Gather Us In" by Marty Haugen)

Leader: Here in this place new light is streaming,

All: Now is the darkness vanished away,

Leader: See in this space our fears and our dreamings,

All: Brought here to You in the light of this day.

Leader: We are the young, our lives are a mystery,

All: We are the old who yearn for Your face.

Leader: We have been sung throughout all of history,

All: Called to be light to the whole human race.

Leader: Gather us in and hold us forever,

All: Gather us in and make us Your own;

Leader: Gather us in, all peoples together,

All: Fire of love in our flesh and our bones.

**\*Hymn** #407 (verses 1, 2, 4),

"Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers" Nun Danket All' Und Bringet Ehr'

**Prayer of Confession** 

(Montreat Youth Conference, 2008)

Merciful God, we often let the world tell us who we are, what we should look like, and how much we are valued. Sometimes we wonder if we are any good at all. Sometimes we wonder where we belong. Remind us that we belong to You. Remind us that You created us as Your children and called us to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Help us to live into our discipleship by embracing Your love and letting it shine through us into the world.

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand, if able.

#### **Silent Confession**

\*Assurance of Pardon

Please stand as you are able, and sing our response to this gift of forgiveness.)

Leader Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are invited to remember God's love given to all in the waters of creation and the waters of baptism.

God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Neither in life or in death, can we be separated from that love.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

\*Response

#407 (verse 5), "Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers"

Nun Danket All' Und Bringet Ehr'

Spirit divine, attend our prayers. Make a lost world Your home.

Descend with all Your gracious powers.

O come, great Spirit, come!

\*A Brief Statement of Faith (Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal)

# II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Matthew 16:13-20, page 17, NRSV

This is the word of the Lord. Leader:

Thanks be to God. People:

Anthem "At the River"

Traditional

arr. Copland

Time for Children

Second Lesson

Romans 12:1-8, page 151, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"The Non-Conformist"

Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

# III. The Community Responds to the Word

\*Sermon Hymn

#834, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Precious Lord

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Sonatina," from Gottes Zeit ist die Allerbeste Zeit

\*Response

#607, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all creatures here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

Faithful God, we give You thanks for the people You bring into our lives. Use these gifts and all who go forth from this place to bring healing to our broken world. In the name of the risen Savior, Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Sending Hymn

#700. "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" I'm Gonna Live

- 1 I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!) I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!)
- 2 I'm gonna work so (work so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!) I'm gonna work so (work so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!)
- 3 I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!) I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!)
- 4 I'm gonna sing so (sing so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!) I'm gonna sing so (sing so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!)

\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

\*Congregational

Alleluia! Amen!

Response

Postlude "Prelude in G Major"

J. S. Bach

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The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Billie Dees by Carl Dees and Valerie Dees.

We wish to thank David Clark and the NYAPC Summer Choir for their special music today.

Greeter Alison Kootstra Nowak Leonard Shabman Liturgist **Tour Guide** Leonard Shabman Worship Play Karen Dunlap

**Preaching Schedule** 

August 31 Rev. Roger J. Gench September 7 Rev. Roger J. Gench

Counters' Schedule

Tuesday, August 26 Jim Martin and Barb Dornan Sunday, August 31 John Schultheis and Megan Erb

### **Information for Sunday Visitors**

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

Please stay for coffee and fellowship at the side of the Sanctuary after the

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

Radcliffe Room Ministry: Everyone is invited and encouraged to come to the Radcliffe Room on Sunday mornings. 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.

**Restrooms:** The Deacons remind members and friends that the restrooms on the fifth floor are available on Sundays mornings.

Infants and children: Babies and toddlers under 4 are welcome in the Park Level nursery. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. During the services, children's worship aids are available in the rear of the Sanctuary.

Building Tours: To take a tour of our building and learn about this congregation's heritage, current ministry, and outreach, meet the tour guide at the front of the Sanctuary immediately following the service.

When bulletins are waved during worship at NYAPC, it is a sign of appreciation for the music or other contribution to the service. It is an action which we learned from our partner church, the First Presbyterian-Reformed 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.