

2012-2013
CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL –
STARTING SEPTEMBER 9 at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Teachers
Nursery (8:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)	Certified and professional staff members, supervised by Katie Cashwell
“Where the Wild Things Are” ages 3-5	Doug House, Brian Dewhurst, Sally Davis, Karen Cook, Kelsay Meek
Lower Elementary ages 5 to 8 years	Marsha Renwanz, Molly Lauer, Mark Sproles
Upper Extravaganza ages 9 to 12 years	Mike Smith, Kathy Doan, David Gillies
“Confirmation Commotion” 7 th - 9 th grade	Chris Rehling, Kevin Guy, Betsy Merritt, Pastor Katie Cashwell
“High School Rocks!” Sr. High School	Phil Hanna

Adult Sunday School	Sundays 9 a.m., Room 520
<p>“The Old Testament: A Survey” Our regular summer adult church school offering will be a DVD lecture series on the themes and threads of the Old Testament taught by Professor Amy-Jill Levine of Vanderbilt Divinity School. Professor Levine is a very prominent New Testament scholar who is also a wonderful lecturer. She will lead us through the Old Testament literature in 30 minute segments with time for questions and answers led by various members of the New York Avenue congregation.</p>	

PEACEMAKING AT HOME AND CHURCH

- August 26– Mark 10:13-16
- August 27– 1 Corinthians 12:4-13
- August 28– Genesis 45:1-15
- August 29– Luke 10:38-42
- August 30 – Ruth 1:1-18
- August 31– 1 Corinthians 13
- September 1– Galatians 5:22-26

<http://www.pcusa.org/media/uploads/peacemaking/pdf/1112biblicalwitness.pdf>

Opportunities for Service

7-2-9 Club (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, spencegib@aol.com

Community Club (Resumes September 6) - is a one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program for DC public high school students meeting at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! Contact Tom Karr (directors@communityclub.org) or Shamika Bradley (shamika.bradley@va.gov). Also try www.communityclub.org for more information.

Food for the Hungry - Every 4th Sunday bring non-perishable food for the Capital Area Food Bank, a large nonprofit hunger and nutrition resource in the DC metropolitan area. Place donations in baskets at the back 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, ja.courson@yahoo.com or (202) 735-5005.

Radcliffe Room Ministry - Sunday fellowship with our homeless guests, 8:30-10:45 a.m. Activities include hymn singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of clothing, toiletries, as well as money for transportation are needed. Contact Eleanor Robins, robinsleanor@hotmail.com

The Peace Candle - An opportunity for visitors to take a prayer candle home to their congregations. Candles are at the rear, right side, of the sanctuary. Please sign the note pad there, so we may know who you are. For more information about the Peace and Justice Committee activities, contact Fritz von Fleckenstein, fritz@alumni.reed.edu

Triangle Park Committee - works 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, mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net Beth DuMez, bethdumez@erols.com or Barry Tindall, barrytindall@verizon.net

Annual Stewardship - Each of the ministries described on this page, as well as everything else that happens at this church, is supported in a significant way by Annual Stewardship giving. Annual Stewardship is the act of making a financial pledge to the church operating budget for a year and completing that pledge. It is a deep personal and congregational theological act, and it is essential to the worship, community and mission of this church! Members, affiliates and friends are all invited to participate in Annual Stewardship. Please contact Kitty Smith, the church financial officer, Carol Shannon, the chair of the Annual Stewardship Committee, or Rev. Roger Gench, our senior pastor, for more information, questions, or to make your pledge.

Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
Pastor:	Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D.
Interim Pastoral Associate:	Katie Cashwell, 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:	J. Gary Campbell, M. Div., M.A. Frances Taylor Gench, M. Div., Ph.D. J. Riley McDonald, M.Div. Judith E. Michaels, D. Min., Ph.D. Glenn Myers, M. Div., M.A.

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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.

August 26, 2012
10:00 a.m.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude

“Air in F Major”
 G. F. Handel

Introit

“How Firm a Foundation”
 Traditional Hymn Setting
 Stephen Dunlap, Saxophone

***Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*** Call to Worship**

One: O magnify the Lord with me.

All: Let us exalt God’s name together.

One: I sought the Lord, Who answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

All: I cried and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble.

One: O taste and see that the Lord is good!

All: Happy are we, as we take refuge in Him.

#420 (verses 1-4), “God of Grace and God of Glory”
 CWM Rhondda

***Opening Hymn**

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we hold on to fear, doubting that You will save us from our troubles. We want to be instruments of Your peace, yet in our hearts we are a warring people, often fighting against You and one another. Have mercy on us, and forgive our sin. By Your grace, fill us with the assurance of Your love that we might live to love and serve You, overflowing with mercy and kindness to others.

Silent Confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Response** #420 (verse 5), “God of Grace and God of Glory”
 CWM Rhondda

Save us from weak resignation
 To the evils we deplore.
 Let the search for Thy salvation
 Be our glory evermore.

**Please stand,
 if able*

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 Serving Thee Whom we adore.
 Serving Thee Whom we adore.

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson Psalm 34:15-22, page 481, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem “Shall We Gather at the River”
Traditional American

Time for Children

Second Lesson Ephesians 6:10-18, pages 184, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “The Help We Have”
Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sermon Hymn #333 (*verses 1 and 2, then repeat verse 1*)
“Seek Ye First”
Lafferty

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BWV 1”
J. S. Bach

***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** Living God, You have blessed us beyond measure and called us to love one another. May these gifts be used to bring Your mercy and provision to those in need, and may we be instruments of Your love, justice and peace, in this city and with all we meet. In the name of our Risen Lord, Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

***Passing of the Peace**

***Sending Hymn** #260, “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
Ein feste burg

**1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper, He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.**

**2 Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing,
Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sab-a-oth, His name,
From age to age the same,
and He must win the battle!**

**3 And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo, his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.**

**4 That word above all earthly powers,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours,
Thru Him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill,
God's truth abideth still!
His kingdom is forever.**

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Alleluia! Amen!**

Response

Postlude “Holy Manna”
Traditional American

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We wish to thank *Stephen Dunlap* for his participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Bruce and Sam Davie* by *Ann Davie*.

Liturgist Sam McFerran
Greeters Mary Danewitz and Karen Cook
Tour Guide Marilyn Seiber

Counters
August 26 John Schultheis and Martha Davis
September 4 Dan Stokes and Barb Dornan
September 9 Janet Wessling and Amy Gillespie
September 16 John Schultheis and Martha Davis
September 25 Nancy Dickenson and Dan Stokes
September 30 Janet Wessling and Amy Gillespie

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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.***

Garage Parking for Sunday Morning Worship: 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.

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 and current ministry and outreach, meet the tour guide at the front of the Sanctuary immediately following the service.

Large Print Bibles and Large Print Bulletins: Available at the front of the Sanctuary.

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.

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