

Opportunities for Service

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Class	Teachers
Nursery <i>(8:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)</i>	Certified and professional staff members, Supervised by Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe
“Where the Wild Things Are” ages 3-5	Sally Davis, Karl Hoffman and Doug House
“Sunday Extravaganza” ages 5-11	Kathy Doan, Marsha Renwanz, David Gillies and Mike Smith
“Confirmation Commotion” 7 th - 9 th grade	Christopher Rehling, Kevin Guy and Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe
“High School Rocks!” Sr. High School	Phil Hanna, Betsy Merritt and Mary Spatz

Goodpasture Class	Sundays 10 a.m., Lincoln Chapel
“Wisdom’s Part in Creation” Today’s lesson is from Proverbs 8:22-35. Teacher/Prayer Leader: Yomi Faniyi.	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, February 26-April 1 (No Class March 11) 10 a.m., Room 520
“Texts of Terror” As we journey through Lent to a cross, we will do so in the company of four women in ancient Israel who, like Jesus, were not strangers to sorrow: Hagar, Tamar, an unnamed concubine and Jephthah's daughter. Using Phyllis Trible’s extraordinary book, entitled <i>Texts of Terror: Literary-Feminist Readings of Biblical Narratives</i> , as our guide, we will explore these neglected, tragic stories <i>in memoriam</i> and consider their connections with our lives and ministries. TODAY -- Hagar’s story in artistic perspective (Genesis 16 and 22), Katherine Sparks and Rev. Frances Taylor Gench	
Lenten Study Class	Tuesdays in Lent 10:30
You are cordially invited to join this search for new understanding of the Lenten season. We will discuss the significance for our lives of Jesus' journey toward the Cross and resurrection. Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader will help us consider aspects of the spiritual pilgrimage using "Walking the Way of the Cross," a study series.	

GOD IS TO BE TRUSTED

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

- March 4– Matthew 7:7-12
- March 5– Genesis 12:1-5
- March 6– Isaiah 55:6-13
- March 7– Jeremiah 17:5-8
- March 8– Isaiah 26:1-9
- March 9– Psalm 89:1-18
- March 10– Daniel 6:25-28

7-2-9 Club - 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, spencergib@aol.com

Community Club - 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 at directors@communityclub.org, or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

Food for the Hungry - Your donations of non-perishable food for the Capital Area Food Bank, a large nonprofit hunger and nutrition resource in the DC metropolitan area, are welcome each week. Baskets are located at the back of the sanctuary.

New York Avenue Foundation - Its mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need throughout Washington, DC. Annually it awards over \$30,000 to grassroots non-profits which further that mission. An all-volunteer board conducts the work of the Foundation and selects grantee organizations. Contact Jennifer McIver, jenzan@msn.com or 703-785-4762.

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, robinscleanor@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

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:	J. Gary Campbell, M. Div., M.A. Frances Taylor Gench, M. Div., Ph.D. John T. Mathison, M. Div. J. Riley McDonald, M.Div 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.

**March 4, 2012
8:45 and 11 a.m.
Second Sunday in Lent
Communion Sunday**

Prelude 8:45 “Procession of Praise” Arnold Sherman
“It Is Well With My Soul” arr. Cathy Moglebust
“I’m Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger” Hart Morris
11:00 “Let All Things their Creator Bless” Hart Morris
“Pavanne and Galliard” Michael Joy

Introit Laudate Nomen
Carlyle Sharp

***Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*** Call to Worship**

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Search us, O God, and know our hearts;

All: Try us and know our thoughts!

One: See if there is any wicked way in us,

All: And lead us in the way everlasting.

(from Psalm 124:8 and Psalm 139:23-24)

***Opening Hymn**

#488 (verses 1 and 2), “The God of Abraham Praise”

Leoni

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in Your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves. We acknowledge with sorrow the divisions of race, of economic class, of nationality and religion that prevent our sharing of God’s peace and justice together as one human family. We acknowledge that the fears and jealousies we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve You in the world as agents of Your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

(adapted from the Book of Common Worship, p. 88)

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***Response**

#488 (verse 3), “The God of Abraham Praise”

Leoni

You have eternal life Implanted in the soul; Your love shall be our strength and stay, While ages roll. We praise You, living God! We praise Your holy name; The first, the last, beyond all thought, And still the same!

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

**Please stand if able*

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson	Genesis 16:1-15, page 12, NRSV Leader: This is the word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.
Anthem	8:45 “Sing Me to Heaven” Daniel Gawthrop 11:00 “Exultate Deo” Giovanni dePalestrina Translation: Rejoice unto God our helper: sing aloud unto the God of Jacob. Take a psalm and bring hither the timbrel: the pleasant psaltery with the harp. Blow the trumpet in the new moon: on the noted day of your solemnity.
Time for Children	
Second Lesson	Genesis 21:1-21, page 16, NRSV Leader: This is the word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.
Sermon	“Children of a Lesser God” Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sermon Hymn #434, “Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”
Kingsfold

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory 8:45 “His Eye is On the Sparrow”
arr. Shane Warby
11:00 “Abendlied”
Josef Rheinberger
Translation: Bide with us, for evening shadows darken, and the day will soon be over.

***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. 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.

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
It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe. The earth is full of your knowledge and glory. You made all creatures to live in peace and safety, and sent a little child to lead us.

All Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Response #576, “Gloria, Gloria”
Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Baptized by John, Christ came to deliver us from sin, and to pour out the Holy Spirit upon your church. By our faith in Christ, we have the hope of eternal life. Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising, as we await the day of his coming. With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit, unite us with Christ and with your church in all the world. Fill us with wisdom and understanding, knowledge and power, and grant that we may live in harmony with one another as we await the coming of the kingdom of heaven. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours.

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 (page 16-Traditional)

*Passing of the Peace

***Sending Hymn #404, “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”**
Precious Lord
1 Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light; Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
2 When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near; When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall; Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

***Congregational Response Alleluia! Amen!**

Postlude “Carillon Festiva”
Cathy Moglebust

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in memory of **Mildred Mogul** by her grandchildren, **Rebecca Davis and Glenn Davis.**

We wish to thank the Presbyterian College Choir and Ringers under the direction of **J. Porter Stokes**, Chair, Department of Music, Presbyterian College, for their participation in worship this morning while they are on tour. Welcome!

	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
Greeters	Warren and Mary Krug	Elizabeth Ako and Jim Martin
Liturgists	Pierre Moye	Jessica Burt
Tour Guides	Paul Dornan	Len Shabman

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: 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 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: Facilities are available on the second floor (in the hallway behind the sanctuary), on the fifth floor and on the first floor.

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.