

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL –
Classes meet in the Park Level at 10 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, Kay Meek
Lower Elementary ages 5 to 8 years	Marsha Renwanz, Molly Lauer, Mark Sproles, Bridget 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 **Today**
10 a.m., Room 520

“Criminal Justice?” If a gold medal were awarded to world's biggest jailer, the United States would be the winner. Come learn from premier criminal justice and legal experts about “*the national disgrace that comprises our criminal justice system*” (Sen. Jim Webb).

October 28: Margaret Love, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers’ Task Force on Restoration of Rights.

Adult Sunday School **Sundays, October and November**
10 a.m., Room 511

“Playing the Minor Prophets in a Major Key” *Let justice roll down like waters.... Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey....*

These famous passages all come from the Minor Prophets, but do you know which books they come from? Come learn about these prophets and their times that produced these remarkable scrolls. Engage the texts in new ways and share your perspectives with others.

Please join us in this bible survey class to be taught by Samario Anthony of Howard University’s Divinity School.

Adult Sunday School **Sunday, November 4**
10 a.m., Room 520

“A Morning with Mission co-workers in Colombia” Rev. Mamie Broadhurst and Richard Williams have been serving as missionaries with the Presbyterian Church of Colombia (IPC). After 40 years of war, Colombia has the second largest number of displaced people in the world. Church and human rights workers who work with the displaced have been killed and threatened. In an attempt to minimize the threat to these church and human rights workers, the IPC and the PC(USA) have developed a program in which Presbyterians from the United States (in teams of two, serving for one or two months) volunteer to accompany the church workers in their service. Mamie and Richard work with this program and also nurture presbytery partnerships, advocacy and cooperation. They will share their experiences in their missionary work and about the situation in Colombia.

Adult Sunday School **Sundays, November 11 and 18**
10 a.m., Room 520

“Bible Study with Cuba Partners” Rev. Ann Davie will lead a two-week study of *The Great Commandment* as written in Mark 12:28-34 (week 1) and Luke 10:25-28, 29-37 (week 2). As we delve into these texts with study questions posed by Rev. Davie, our partner church, First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana, and other PC(USA) Cuba partners with First Havana will also be doing this Bible study.

Opportunities for Service

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 - A one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program for DC public and charter school students, primarily in grades 7-12, meets at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! If interested, please contact Tom Karr and Shamika Bradley at directors@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

Food for the Hungry - Non-perishable food donations are being requested to share with the Capital Area Food Bank, the large nonprofit hunger and nutrition education resource in the Washington metropolitan area. Your donations are welcome 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, ja.courson@yahoo.com or (202) 735-5005.

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

The Peace Candle - Visitors are invited 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 - 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, mjswan2@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 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.

October 28, 2012
8:45 and 11 a.m.
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Reformation Sunday

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

Silent Prayer: God of autumn, it’s so hard to let things go: the shields, the camouflage, the flimsy covers. We cannot hide from You; You are our strength, You see our inner beauty. You see beyond the human dressings and wish to clothe us in your love. God of autumn, help us to be more like nature, accepting the changing seasons not because they are out of our control, but because they are in Your hands.

Prelude “Andante in A Major” from **Sonata No. 3**

Felix Mendelssohn

Introit “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Ein Feste Burg, arr. Hassler

***Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*** Call to Worship** *(Based on Proverbs 1-8)*

One: Come Wisdom, breath of God’s power, bringer of goodness and love.

All: Come Wisdom, stream of God’s glory, sharer of justice and truth.

One: Come Wisdom, light of God’s treasure, gifter of friendship and joy.

All: Come Wisdom, meet us in our worship, keep watch over our lives.

All liturgy is from *Acorns and Archangels: Resources for Ordinary Time* by Ruth Burgess

***Opening Hymn** #425 (*verses 1-3*),
“Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining”

Abbot’s Leigh

Prayer of Confession *(Based on Galatians 5)*

Creator God we recognize that we are not as fruitful as we could be. Forgive us when we fail to tend the fruit of the Spirit and water them with prayer. Forgive us when we quench the warmth of love that enables such fruit to ripen. Forgive us for those times when fear causes us to resist Your pruning. Forgive us when, set in our ways, we block your growth in our lives. Come fertilize our hearts and bring to fruit in us your joy and loving kindness.

Silent Confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

**Please stand, if able*

***Response** #425 (*verses 1-3*),
“Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining”
Abbot’s Leigh

By the prayers of faithful watchers, Never silent day or night; By the cross of Jesus, bringing Peace to all and healing light; By the love that passes knowledge, Making all Your children one: Abba, as in highest heaven, So on earth Your will be done.

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

Anthem “Christ is Made the Sure Foundation”
Westminster Abby, Henry Purcell

Time for Children

Second Lesson Mark 12:28-34, page 46, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Portable ”
Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sermon Hymn #474, “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bridge”
Puer Nobis Nascitur

Minute for Mission *Stewardship Committee*

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 “In Memoriam”
Ulfar Ingi Haraldsson

Translation:

***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

***Sending Hymn** ##434 (*verses 1-3*),
“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”
Kingsfold

- 1 Today we are all called to be Disciples of the Lord,
To help to set the captives free,
Make plow-share out of sword,
To feed the hungry, quench their thirst,
Make love and peace our fast,
To serve the poor and homeless first,
Our ease and comfort last.**
- 2 God made the world and at its birth
Ordained our human race
To live as stewards of the earth,
Responding to God’s grace.
But we are vain and sadly proud,
We sow not peace but strife,
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud
That threatens all of life.**
- 3 Pray justice may come rolling down
As in a mighty stream,
With righteousness in field and town
To cleanse us and redeem.
For God is longing to restore
An earth where conflicts cease,
A world that was created for
A harmony of peace.**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

***Congregational Response** Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude Psalm XIX
Benedetto Marcello

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The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in recognition of the volunteers who serve on the *New York Avenue Foundation* by members and friends of the Congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

Preaching Schedule

November 4 Rev. Roger J. Gench
November 11 Rev. Roger J. Gench
November 18 Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader
November 22 Thanksgiving Day: Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader

	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
Greeters	Marilyn Seiber and Mary Spatz	Karen Milam and Tyler Feret
Liturgists	Stephen Dewhurst	Beatrice Fuller
Tour Guides	Sherry Brown	Wilson Golden

Counters	
October 30	Fritz and Ruth von Fleckenstein
November 4	Barb Dornan and ShuXian McKenna
November 11	Amy Gillespie and Janet Wessling
November 18	Martha Davis and John Schultheis

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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.

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.