

*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 “Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me”
Adoro te Devote, arr. K. Lee Scott
John Kim, conductor

Time for Children
Second Lesson James 3:1-12, page 216, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Sticks and Stones”
Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sermon Hymn #324, “Open My Eyes That I May See”
Open My Eyes

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission *Peace and Justice*

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 “The Heavens are Telling,” from **Creation**
F. J. Haydn
Whitney McColley, Chantel Pomerville,
Nathan Moon, soloists

***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** #466, “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
Azmon

1 **O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of God’s grace!**

- 2 **Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.**
- 3 **Christ breaks the power of reigning sin,
And sets the prisoner free;
Christ’s blood can make the sinful clean,
Christ’s blood availed for me.**
- 4 **My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of your name.**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

***Congregational Alleluia! Amen!**

Response

Postlude “Fugue in D Major”
G. F. Handel

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The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in recognition of the *staff and volunteers who care for our youngest members in the nursery* each week by members and friends of the Congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

We wish to thank our solo trio, *Whitney McColley, Chantel Pomerville and Nathan Moon* for their participation in worship this morning. *John Kim*, a music major from George Mason University, is new to NYAPC this fall, joining the choir as our conducting intern. Welcome!

	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
Liturgists	Adam Bain	Lewis Clark
Greeters	Dawn Hill, Julia Hiemstra	John and Cathy Schultheis
Tour Guides	John Davies	Len Shabman

Counters

September 16	John Schultheis and Martha Davis
September 25	Nancy Dickenson and Dan Stokes
September 30	Janet Wessling and Amy Gillespie

Preaching Schedule

September 23	Rev. Dr. Héctor Méndez
September 30	Katie Cashwell

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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.

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.