

**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 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	Chris Rehling, Kevin Guy, Betsy Merritt, Pastor Katie Cashwell
“High School Rocks!” Sr. High School	Phil Hanna

**Congregational Sunday:** **TODAY**  
**Get to Know Katie!** **10 a.m., Peter Marshall Hall**

All are invited to Peter Marshall Hall between services for fellowship, refreshments and to get to know a little more about our Interim Pastor, Katie Cashwell. We may even have a surprise interview in store for you.

**Adult Sunday School** **Sundays, October 7, 14, 21 and 28**  
**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 7:** “Prosecutorial Power and Racism in the Criminal Justice System,” Angela J. Davis, Professor of Law, Washington College of Law, American University

Also featured in October: Tracy Velazquez, Executive Director, Justice Policy Institute; Tim Lynch, Director, Criminal Project, The Cato Institute; and 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, October 7**  
**10 a.m., Room 317**

**“Covenant Network of Presbyterians”** These are exciting and uncertain days in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and much of the churn in the church's collective consciousness is around issues of welcoming, affirming, ordaining and marrying lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people. And national stories--from the Chick-Fil-A controversy to the many states voting this fall on same-sex marriage laws--highlight the pivotal role these questions have not just in our denomination, but in society as a whole.

Brian Ellison, the new executive director of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, will talk about the work of his organization, which NYAPC has long supported. He will talk about the recent General Assembly and where key questions relating to LGBT inclusion stand, along with broader issues facing the denomination and challenging its unity. He'll share some of his own story as a gay pastor and answer questions to how the church can be faithful in its ministry to all God's children.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:directors@communityclub.org) or go to [www.communityclub.org](http://www.communityclub.org) for more information.

**Food for the Hungry** - Every 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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, [mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net](mailto:mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net) Beth DuMez, [bethdumez@erols.com](mailto:bethdumez@erols.com) or Barry Tindall, [barrytindall@verizon.net](mailto: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.

**September 30, 2012**  
**8:45 and 11 a.m.**  
**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Prelude** “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”  
Tune of Marion

arr. Innes

**Introit** “Fairest Lord Jesus”  
Crusaders’ Hymn

**\*Lincoln Chimes**

**I. The Community Gathers for Worship**

**\* Call to Worship**

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**All: Who made heaven and earth.**

One: Blessed be the One we have come to worship and pray to.

**All: We will worship God with prayers of praise and thanksgiving.**

#477 (*verses 1-3*),

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

Hanover

**Prayer of Confession**

**Listening God, we confess that we have neglected our prayer life. We have sent You short, shallow prayers. We have not taken the time to slow down and be in Your presence. We have not prayed for one another, as You commanded. We have forgotten to pray for the sick and suffering. We have not prayed with thanksgiving and praise for our blessings. We doubt the power of prayer and we make poor excuses for not taking the time to pray. Forgive us and open our hearts and minds to pray more regularly, more authentically, and more creatively. Have mercy on us, so that we might find the fullness of life.**

**Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Response** #477 (*verse 4*),  
“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

Hanover

**Then let us adore, and give Him his right,  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
All honor and blessing, with angels above,  
And thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.**

**\*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** Psalm 124, page 540, NRSV  
 Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”  
 Lobe den Herrn  
 Arr. Ratcliff

**Time for Children**

**Second Lesson** James 5:13-20, pages 217-218, NRSV  
 Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** “The Prayer of Faith ”  
 Katie Cashwell

**III. The Community Responds to the Word**

**Sermon Hymn** #403, “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”  
 Converse

**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 “All Things Bright and Beautiful”  
 John Rutter

**\*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** #485, “To God Be the Glory”  
 To God Be the Glory  
 1 **To God be the glory, great things He hath done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin, And opened the life gate that all may go in.**

*Refrain* Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
 Let the earth hear His voice!  
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
 Let the people rejoice!  
 O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
 and give Him the glory:  
 great things He hath done!  
 2 Great things He hath taught us,  
 great things He hath done,  
 And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
 But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
 Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Refrain*  
**\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**  
**\*Congregational Alleluia! Amen!**  
**Response**  
**Postlude** “Fanfare”  
 Jacques Nicolas Lemmens

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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 as *tour guides* by members and friends of the Congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Liturgists</b>	Glenn Bean	Don Campbell
<b>Greeters</b>	Amy, David, Jack and Lauren Gillies	Ken Carpenter and John Quinn
<b>Tour Guides</b>	Marilyn Seiber	Paul Dornan

**Preaching Schedule**

October 7 Rev. Roger J. Gench  
 October 14 Rev. Roger J. Gench  
 October 21 Rev. Roger J. Gench

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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.

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