

**Summer Schedule
through September 1
Adult Education Classes at 9 a.m.
Worship at 10 a.m.**

Babies and toddlers under 4 are welcome in the Park Level nursery. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. During the service, children's worship aids are available in the rear of the Sanctuary. Youth and children classes resume September 8.

Adult Sunday School	Sundays, August and September 1 9 a.m., Room 520
“Great Figures of the New Testament: Disciples and Apostles” Professor Amy-Jill Levine offers a series of lectures on “Great Figures of the New Testament” for the Great Courses series. This class will focus its attention on her lectures on the disciples and apostles. Topics are as follows: August 25: Philip September 1: Paul, the Hero of Acts	
Adult Sunday School	Sunday, September 8-October 13 10 a.m., Room 520
“America and Its Guns – A Theological Exposé” Come join Rev. James Atwood, a Presbyterian pastor for more than 3 decades, in an examination of his book, “America and Its Guns – A Theological Exposé.” Together we will use our biblical and theological understandings to portray and assess the impact that guns have on American society. The book will be available from the Church Office for \$10.	

PEACEMAKING AT HOME AND CHURCH

- August 25– Mark 10:13-16
- August 26– 1 Corinthians 12:4-13
- August 27– Genesis 45:1-15
- August 28– Luke 10:38-42
- August 29– Ruth 1:1-18
- August 30– 1 Corinthians 13
- August 31– Galatians 5:22-26

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, spencergib@aol.com

Community Club – (resumes in September) 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, 8:15-10:45 a.m. Activities include hymn singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of umbrellas, rain gear, clothing, toiletries and money for transportation are needed. Contact Eleanor Robins, robinsleanor@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, mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net Beth DuMez, bethdumez@erols.com or Barry Tindall, barrytindall@verizon.net

NYAPC's Young Adults welcome those in their 20s/30s (body or heart!) to post-worship brunches, Faith on Tap, Bible study, and other fellowship and service activities. For more information (or to be added to the e-mail list) contact Gordon Chaffin (galexanderchaffin@gmail.com).

Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
Pastor:	Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D.
Interim Associate Pastor:	Katie Cashwell, M. Div.
Associate Pastor:	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:	Catherine Schultheis
Parish Associates:	Beth Braxton, M. Div., MRE, D. Min. J. Gary Campbell, M. Div., M.A. Frances Taylor Gench, M. Div., Ph.D. John T. Mathison, M. Div. 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 25, 2013
10:00 a.m.
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

Silent Prayer:

- Prepare my mind to listen to You today.*
- Prepare my heart to be filled with Your love today.*
- Prepare my lips, that they can shout Your praise today.*
- Prepare my soul, that I can be attuned to Your will today.*
- Prepare me to feel Your presence in the world today. Amen.*

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude “Morning Has Broken”
Tune of Bunessan
David Clark, Saxophone

Introit “Amazing Grace”
Whitney McColley, soprano

***Lincoln Chimes**

***Call to Worship** Luke 10:27-28

- Leader: Love the Lord your God,
All: with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind!
- Leader: Love your neighbor as yourself,
All: with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind!
- Leader: Do this and you will live!
All: Let us worship God!

***Opening Hymn**

#420 (verses 1-3), “God of Grace and God of Glory”
Cmw Rhondda

Prayer of Confession

Luke 10:29

God of Mercy, We confess that we have failed to live as Your beloved sons and daughters. We have set our minds on the things of this world, and we have neglected the inheritance of love You bestow upon us. We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business; we have harbored uncharitable thoughts toward our enemies and friends; we have avoided difficult responsibilities to our neighbors. Forgive us, we pray. Free us from our selfish ways and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.

**Please stand, if able*

Silent Confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Response**

#420 (*verse 4*), "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Cmw Rhondda

Set our feet on lofty places; Gird our lives that they may be Armored with all Christ-like graces, Pledged to set all captives free. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, That we fail not them nor Thee! That we fail not them nor Thee!

***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

Colossians 1:1-14, page 188, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "Alleluia"

W. A. Mozart

Whitney McColley, soprano

Time for Children Rev. Katie Cashwell

Second Lesson

Luke 10:25-37, page 67, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Tales of the Kingdom: Unexpectant Grace"

Rev. Beth Braxton

III. The Community Responds to the Word

***Sermon Hymn**

#400, "When We Are Living"

Somos Del Señor

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Bist du bei Mir"

J. S. Bach

Adam McColley, trombone

***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**

Thank you God: You are our soil, our food, our water, our sun, everything we need to grow. We offer these gifts to You, asking for your direction, as we work each day so that Your kingdom of light becomes more and more of a reality in this world. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***Passing of the Peace**

***Sending Hymn**

#435, "We All Are One in Mission"

Es flog ein kleins waldvögelein

1 We all are one in mission, We all are one in call, Our varied gifts united By Christ, the Lord of all. A single, great commission Compels us from above To plan and work together That all may know Christ's love.

2 We all are called for service To witness in God's name; Our ministries are different, Our purpose is the same: To touch the lives of others With God's surprising grace So every folk and nation May feel God's warm embrace.

3 Now let us be united And let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel For God's redeeming word. We all are one in mission, We all are one in call, Our varied gifts united By Christ, the Lord of all.

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Response** Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude "Prelude in Classic Style"

Gordon Young

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The flowers in the chancel today were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Billie Dees* by *Carl Dees and Valerie Dees*.

We wish to thank Whitney and Adam McColley and David Clark for their special participation in worship this morning.

Greeters
Liturgist
Tour Guide
Worship Play

Alison Kootstra and Nathan Moon
Kay Meek
Wilson Golden
Rev. Katie Cashwell and Molly Smith

Counters' Schedule

August 25	John Schultheis and Amy Gillespie
September 1	Martha Davis and Kim Johnson
September 8	John Schultheis and Adam Bain
September 18	Jim Martin and Nancy Dickinson
September 24	Nancy Dickinson and Dan Stokes
October 1	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein

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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.

Assisted Listening: Do you have difficulty hearing the service? Our assisted listening system may help you. The system consists of a small wireless receiver and an ear phone. You may also use your own choice of ear phones or t-coil equipped hearing aids with the receiver. Please contact Joe Thierry at jthierry@erols.com or 703-568-5158 for more information.

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

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.