

**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 Rev. Cashwell
Preschool Class ages 3-5	Doug House, Elizabeth Sciupac, Elisa Jillson, Kay Meek
Lower Elementary Class Kindergarten- 1st Grade	Molly Lauer, Marsha Renwanz, Mark Sproles, Bridget Sproles
Upper Elementary Class 2nd Grade-5th Grade	David Gillies, Kathy Doan, Catherine Cannon
Youth Class 6th Grade-12th Grade	Susan Hesser, Betsy Merritt, Kevin Guy

Adult Sunday School	Sundays, January and February 10 a.m., Room 520
"Traveling through Ephesians"	Despite being imprisoned in Rome, Paul remained encouraged. He wrote to his believers, encouraging them to grow and mature in their faith, to be unified, to use their God-given gifts and ministries for the church, to conduct their relationships according to God's divine order, and to live an empowered Christian life. Join us for a nine-week study, as we explore themes in the prison epistle, Ephesians, and discover, or re-discover, ways to apply Paul's themes to our lives and our walk with Christ today. Tarra Taylor of Howard Divinity School will lead.
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, January and February 10 a.m., Room 511
"The Theology of the Cross"	The cross is the central symbol of our faith, but where does it fit into the theology of the church today? Pastor Roger Gench will lead a four-week series on that question, using Theodore Jennings' book, <b>Transforming Atonement: A Political Theology of the Cross</b> , as the foundation for his discussion. Come and learn. You do not have to buy the book to participate.

**LET THE PRISONER GO FREE**

February 2– Genesis 31:1-21  
February 3– Jeremiah 38:1-13  
February 4– Isaiah 61:1-4  
February 5– Psalm 107  
February 6– John 8:1-11  
February 7– Acts 5:17-42  
February 8– Colossians 4:2-4

<http://www.pcusa.org/resource/2013-2014-biblical-witness-peacemaking>

The following members and friends donated hymnals; we regret the names were inadvertently omitted from last week's bulletin insert

Hymnals Dedicated To the Glory of God

Joan Ensor  
Brian Finlay  
Mary Mitchell  
Brian Schimming  
Len and Janet Shabman  
Jeff, Laura and Naomi West

*Please advise the Church Office of other omissions or corrections*

**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** – 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](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, [mislwan2@bellatlantic.net](mailto:mislwan2@bellatlantic.net) Beth DuMez, [bethdumez@erols.com](mailto:bethdumez@erols.com) or Barry Tindall, [barrytindall@verizon.net](mailto:barrytindall@verizon.net)

**NYAPC's Young Adults** – Most Sundays, those in their 20s/30s (body or heart!) caucus after the 11 a.m. service at the back of the Sanctuary to go to lunch together. For more information about Faith on Tap, Bible study, and other fellowship or service activities, (or to be added to the e-mail list) contact Richard Snyder ([snyder.richard@gmail.com](mailto:snyder.richard@gmail.com)) or Benno Lauer ([benno.lauer@gmail.com](mailto:benno.lauer@gmail.com))

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**Celebration of Worship**

The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church  
welcomes all people into community,  
worship, service and leadership.

**February 2, 2014  
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.  
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Communion Sunday**

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

*From the damp that lingers and fingers our flesh, God, in Your warmth, deliver us.  
From the mist that chides and hides Your joy, God, in Your light, illumine us.  
From winter's sleep that chills and stills our strength, God, in Your morning, waken us.*

*Amen*

*-by Ruth Burgess from Hay & Stardust*

**I. The Community Gathers for Worship**

**Prelude** "Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring"  
J. S. Bach

**Introit** "Be With Us, Lord"  
Tallis Canon

**\*Lincoln Chimes**

**\* Call to Worship** *Micah 6:6-8; Matthew 5: 1-12*

**Leader:** With what shall we come before the Lord this day?

**All:** We come with a love of justice and a passion for sharing Christ's love.

**Leader:** What does the Lord require of you?

**All:** To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

**Leader:** Let us worship God this day,

**All:** that we may be justice seekers and peacemakers.

**\*Hymn** #213 (*verses 1-4*), "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"  
Rathbun

**Prayer of Confession**

**God, we have not done what is blameless and right, nor spoken truth from the heart with love. We do not keep Your word, and when we participate in gossip, our words and deeds cause pain. Forgive us by the power of Your mercy, that we might stand in the goodness of Christ and walk in the light of His love.**

**Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

*\* Please stand, if able*

**\*Response**

#213 (*verse 5*), "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"  
Rathbun  
**In the cross of Christ I glory,  
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;  
All the light of sacred story  
Gathers round its head sublime.**

**\*A Brief Statement of Faith** (*Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal*)

## II. The Community Hears the Word of God

### First Lesson

Matthew 5:1-12, page 4 , NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"  
Spiritual  
arr. Farrow

### Time for Children

#### Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:18-31, page156, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
**Rev. Roger J. Gench**

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

### \*Sermon Hymn

#172 (*verses 1-3*), "Blest Are They"  
Blest Are They

### Concerns of the Church

### Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory 11:00

"Agnes Dei"  
Hans Leo Hassler  
Translation: Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us, grant us peace.

**\*Response**

#607, "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**

**We thank You, God, that You have blessed us with an abundance of gifts for the flourishing of Your world. We come in humble gratitude, offering to You a portion of the gifts that You freely share with us. O God, may this offering of our life and labor reveal Your love as we seek to share Your promised reign with all creation. Amen.**

### Communion with Prayers of the People

#### 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.**

### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving with Prayers of the People

*It is truly right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise, O Lord our God, Creator and Redeemer of the universe.... Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:*

#### Response

"Holy, Holy"  
Holy, Holy (Irregular)  
**Holy, holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty;  
And we lift our hearts before You as a token of our love,  
Holy, holy, holy, holy.**

*You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor are Yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Let us pray for God's rule on earth, as Jesus taught us:*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

*(There is a Gluten Free communion set available;  
raise your hand for a pastor to respond.)*

### Prayer After Communion

**Loving God, We thank You that You have fed us in the Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in Your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of Your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### \*Passing of the Peace

### \*Sending Hymn

#494 (verses 1-4), "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"  
Quebec  
**1 Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts,  
thou fount of life, thou Light of all,  
from the best bliss that earth imparts  
we turn, unfilled, to thee again.**

**2 Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;  
thou savest those that on thee call;  
to them that seek thee thou art good;  
to them that find thee, all in all.**

**3 We taste thee, O thou living Bread,  
and long to feast upon thee still;  
we drink of thee, the fountainhead,  
and thirst our souls from thee to fill.**

**4 Our restless spirits yearn for thee,  
where'er our changeful lot is cast,  
glad when thy gracious smile we see,  
blest, when our faith can hold thee fast.**

### \*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

**\*Congregational Response Alleluia! Amen!**

**Postlude** "Come Christians, Join to Sing"  
Madrid  
arr. Mayo

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On January 26, the flowers in the chancel were given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the *volunteers in the Radcliffe Room* by *Kay and Kelsey Meek*.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in memory of *Aleita and Palmer Hogenson* on the occasion of their wedding anniversary by *Jill and Peter Hogenson*.

Best wishes and congratulations to *Carrie Schenkel and Stephen Reasonover* on their marriage which took place in the NYAPC Sanctuary on Saturday, February 1. Rev. Roger J. Gench officiated.

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	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Liturgists</b>	Gwenn Gebhard	Joshua Oyster
<b>Tour Guides</b>	Meg Neill	Len Shabman
<b>Worship Play</b>	Rev. Katie Cashwell and Elizabeth Bowman	

### Preaching Schedule

February 9	Rev. Katie Cashwell
February 16	Rev. Roger J. Gench
February 23	Rev. Roger J. Gench

### Counters' Schedule

February 4	Jim Martin and Nancy Dickinson
February 11	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
February 16	Barb Dornan and ShuXian McKenna
February 23	Martha Davis and Amy Gillespie