

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Class	Teachers
Nursery (8:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)	Certified and professional staff members, supervised by Rev. 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
High School and “Confirmation Commotion” 7 th - 12 th grade	Chris Rehling, Kevin Guy, Betsy Merritt, Rev. Katie Cashwell

Adult Sunday School	Sundays, March 24, April 7 and 14 10 a.m., Room 511
<p>“Desperate Housewives? Engaging Tyrannical Texts” The Bible is full of embarrassing, offensive, problematic texts that present serious interpretive challenges for contemporary Christian faith and practice. Should they be repudiated? Discarded? Silenced? Or are there perhaps more effective and faithful ways of handling them? These class sessions will consider the importance of engaging them directly and publicly, with the expectation that we may encounter the living God in our conversation with them. Texts in the Pauline corpus that have proved oppressive in the lives of many Christian women will serve as test cases, providing glimpses of struggles in which foremothers in the faith were engaged in early Pauline churches. Led by Revs. Frances Taylor Gench and Beth Braxton.</p>	
Adult Sunday School	Sunday, April 21 10 a.m., Room 520
<p>“Planning Today For Whatever Tomorrow Brings” NYAPC member and Attorney Brian Schimming will review the basics of estate planning and administration for adults of all ages. Brian will present current information on federal and state estate tax law, topics to consider when preparing a will, titling of assets, beneficiary designations, planning issues for minor children, intestacy rules and probate procedures in DC, MD and VA, as well as uses of trusts, powers-of-attorney and medical directives. He will guide us in how to make our wishes for tomorrow known. Refreshments will be available in the class room.</p>	
Adult Sunday School	Sunday, April 28 10 a.m., Room 520
<p>“Making Decisions about Retirement Communities” How do we make choices for ourselves, or those we love, about retirement living? There seems to be an ever-growing set of options available in retirement community living, but how do we think about what might work best for us? Can these various retirement living options give us new opportunities to live lives of faith as we age? Come explore these important questions and considerations. Led by Rev. Ann Rose Davie.</p>	

PEACEMAKING: THROUGH SUFFERING

March 24– Zechariah 9:9-10
 March 25– Jeremiah 30:4-11
 March 26– Isaiah 53:1-9
 March 27– Psalm 69
 March 28– John: 12:20-36
 March 29– John 19:13-30
 March 30– 1 Peter 4:12-19

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, spencegib@aol.com

Community Club - is a one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program for DC public high school students meeting at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! Contact Tom Karr at directors@communityclub.org, or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

Food for the Hungry - Every 4th 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 the District. NYAF awards grants to the Community Club and other local non-profits which further its mission. The Foundation is funded through individual contributions (Combined Federal Campaign #25839) and conducts its work through a volunteer Board of Directors. If you are interested in supporting or participating in the NYAF mission contact John Courson, ja.courson@yahoo.com or (202) 735-5005.

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

The Peace Candle - An opportunity for visitors 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 - works 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, mj1wan2@bellatlantic.net Beth DuMez, bethdumez@erols.com or Barry Tindall, barrytindall@verizon.net

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:	Evelyn S. Ying, J.D.
Parish Associates:	Elizabeth P. Braxton, M. Div., MRE, D. Min. 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.

March 24, 2013
8:45 and 11 a.m.
Palm Sunday

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

Prelude “Processional”
 Warren Martin

Introit “Ride On, Ride On In Majesty”
 John Bacchus Dykes

***Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

***Call to Worship**

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
All: Blessed is the Lord God! Hosanna in the highest!

One: Behold, your king comes; humble, yet mighty and exalted.
All We come to journey with God. We come to be changed and renewed.

One: This is the day the Lord has made. Rejoice and be glad in it!
All We give thanks to the Lord, who is good. God's steadfast love is forever!

***Opening Hymn** #88 (*verses 1-3*), “All Glory, Laud and Honor”
 Valet will ich dir geben

Prayer of Confession

Glorious God, worthy of all worship, though we sing Your praises, we fail to follow Your way of the Cross. We have hidden our faces from the pain and suffering of our world. We have turned a deaf ear to the cries of the poor, the hungry, and the oppressed. As people of plenty, we have failed to see beyond ourselves, and we have lost our ability to recognize "enough." Forgive us, Steadfast God, and have mercy on us. Give us the same mind as Christ, so we might humble ourselves. Give us the same heart as Christ, so we might serve Your children; give us the same Spirit as Christ, so we might go wherever You lead us.

Silent Confession
Assurance of Pardon

**Please stand, if able*

***Response** #88 (*verse 4*), “All Glory, Laud and Honor”
 Valet will ich dir geben
All glory, laud, and honor To Thee, Redeemer, King! To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring. Thou didst accept their praises; Accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!

***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 Luke 19:28-39, page 78, NRSV
 Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem “Sanctus,” from **Requiem**
 John Rutter
 Translation: Holy, Holy, Holy, God of power and majesty, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna!

Time for Children

Second Lesson Luke 22:39-46, page 82, NRSV
 Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Sleepers”
 Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sermon Hymn #85, “What Wondrous Love Is This”
 Wondrous Love

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 “Requiem Aeternam”
 John Rutter
 Translation: Grant them rest eternal, Lord our God, we pray to thee; and light perpetual shine on them forever.

***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** Gracious God, we give You thanks for blessing us, so that we might share Your abundance. At this One Great Hour of Sharing, we dedicate this offering to You and to Your church. May these gifts feed, educate, and care for Your people in need. May they bring the good news of Your love to all the world. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (page 16-Traditional)

*Passing of the Peace

***Sending Hymn** #98, “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”
 Passion Chorale

- O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown; O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was Thine! Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.**
- What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered, was all for sinners’ gain; Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! ’Tis I deserve Thy place; Look on me with Thy favor, vouchsafe to me Thy grace.**
- What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest friend, For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end? O make me Thine forever, and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.**

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**
***Congregational Response** Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude “Draw Nigh to Thy Jerusalem”
 Paul Manz

We wish to thank *Dan Stokes* for his participation in worship this morning

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the ministry of The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in the lives of ***Elizabeth and George E. Jacobs; Annie, Hugh, Hugh Stewart and Marguerite Smith; Viola and Robert S. Jacobs; Elizabeth and Robert G. Kissner; and William T. Grier.*** They are the gift of ***Elinor Jacobs Grier, Nancy and Gordon Kissner, and Catherine (Kissner) and John Schultheis,*** representing five generations of worshipers in this church.

	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
Greeters	Glory Eyong and Kay Meek	Helen and Jerry Joseph
Liturgists	Mike Smith	Wilson Golden
Tour Guides	John Davies	Jim Rhodes

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<u>Maundy Thursday</u>	March 28
6:00 p.m.	Soup and Bread Supper in Peter Marshall Hall
7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship
<u>Good Friday</u>	March 29
12 Noon	Good Friday Worship Service
<u>Saturday</u>	March 30
10:00 a.m.	Easter Vigil
<u>Easter Sunday</u>	March 31
7:15 a.m.	Sunrise Worship Service in Triangle Park
7:45 a.m.	Breakfast (\$7.00) in Peter Marshall Hall
8:30 a.m.	Radcliffe Room Ministry
8:45 a.m.	Easter Sunday Worship Service: Rev. Roger J. Gench
9:45 a.m.	Breakfast (\$7.00) in Peter Marshall Hall
11:00 a.m.	Easter Sunday Worship Service: Rev. Roger J. Gench

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 at 8:30 a.m.. 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.

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.