

**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 Sciapac, 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, March  
10 a.m., Room 511**

*"If they were silent, the very stones would cry out."* ~Luke 19:40  
**Revelation, the Sublime, and Abstract Art**: This four-week series explores how God communicates his eternal covenant, steadfast love, peace, mystery and limitlessness through the visual arts. We will start by looking closely at revelation and the ways the Holy Spirit works and speaks in the world, approaching the question through scripture and writings by early church fathers and various theologians. We will then delve into the concept of the Sublime as it has developed over time in philosophy, theology, literature and the visual arts. Finally we will discuss God's presence in and communication through abstract painting and sculpture, looking at particularly resonant artists and artworks and inviting participants to share their own instances. Led by Kim Johnson.

**Adult Sunday School** **Today  
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** **Sunday, March 16  
10 a.m., Peter Marshall Hall**

**Singing "Glory to God"**. We've now had our new hymnal in the pews for several months. Stan Engbretson and choir members will share their impressions and lessons from early experience with the hymnal. Attendees will be asked to share their impressions as well. New and recovered treasures will be explored! Led by Stan Engbretson, Martha Davis and Jim Turner.

**PEACE THROUGH WORSHIP**

- March 9– Genesis 35:5-8
- March 10– Deuteronomy 10:17-22
- March 11– Daniel 3:1-30
- March 12– Psalm 29
- March 13– John 12:1-8
- March 14– Acts 2:43-47
- March 15– Colossians 3:12-17

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

**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 (grades 7-12), meets at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! 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 needed by the Capital Area Food Bank, the large nonprofit hunger and nutrition education resource in the Washington area. Please place your donations 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, [nyavefoundation@gmail.com](mailto:nyavefoundation@gmail.com) or (202) 735-5005.

**Radcliffe Room Ministry** – Come join our homeless guests, Sundays, 8:15-10:30 a.m., for hymn singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of umbrellas, rain gear, clothing, toiletries and transportation money 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)

**NYAPC's Young Adults** – On the 2nd and 4th Sundays, young adults meet for lunch on the Park Level. 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.

**March 9, 2014  
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.  
First Sunday in Lent**

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

*Lord, You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me in trouble;  
You surround me with glad cries of deliverance. -Psalm 32:7*

**I. The Community Gathers for Worship**

**Prelude** "O People, Mourn Your Great Sin"

J.S. Bach

**Introit**

"Largo"

G.F. Handel

Handbell Quartet

**\*Lincoln Chimes**

**\* Call to Worship**

*From Matthew 4:1-11*

Leader: People of God, on this wilderness journey,  
what will you eat?

**All: The word of the Lord is our daily bread.**

Leader: People of God, in this time of temptation,  
how will you live?

**All: Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.**

Leader: People of God, at this kingdom crossroad,  
who will you serve?

**All: We worship the Lord our God alone.**

**\*Hymn**

#215 (*verses 1-3*), "What Wondrous Love Is This"  
Wondrous Love

**Prayer of Confession**

*Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7*

**Lord God, You know the ways of good and evil. You know the things that tempt us and the things that give us life. You know our nakedness, and You know our sin. We confess that we have disobeyed Your word, denying Your providence and care and relying on our own cleverness. Have mercy on us, we pray: cover us with Your grace, feed us with the bread of life, and re-create us in Your image; through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

**Silent Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

*\* Please stand, if able*

**\*Response**

#215 (*verse 4*), "What Wondrous Love Is This"  
Wondrous Love  
**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and through eternity I'll sing on.**

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

**II. The Community Hears the Word of God**

**First Lesson**

Matthew 4:1-11, page 3, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** "Lord, Have Mercy"  
William Byrd

**Time for Children**

**Second Lesson**

Romans 5:12-19, page 145-146, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "From Suspicion to Hunger"  
Rev. Roger J. Gench

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

**\*Sermon Hymn**  
#213, "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"  
Rathbun

**Minute for Mission** *Columbarium Committee*

**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 "Come My Way, My Truth, My Life,"  
from **Mystical Songs**  
Ralph Vaughan Williams

**\*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 give You thanks and praise, O God, for the free and abundant gift of grace You have given us in Jesus Christ. Let the simple gifts of our lives be a sign of our unending gratitude for Your undying love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Sending Hymn**

# 209 (verses 1, 2, 5), "My Song is Love Unknown"  
Love Unknown

**1 My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me;  
Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.  
O who am I that for my sake my Lord should take  
Frail flesh, and die?**

**2 He came from heaven's throne salvation to bestow;  
the world that was his own would not its Savior know.  
But O my Friend, My Friend indeed, Who at my need  
His life did spend.**

**5 Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine:  
Never was love, dear King, never was grief like Thine.  
This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days  
could gladly spend.**

**\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

**\*Congregational Alleluia! Amen!**

**Response**

**Postlude** "Dialogue"  
Francois Couperin

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The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in memory of **Frank M. van der Linden** (1919-2011) and **Margaret B. McKay** (1958-2005) by their family.

We wish to thank **Daniel Stokes** and the **NYAPC Bell Choir** for their his participation in worship this morning.

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	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Liturgists</b>	Jeff West	John O'Brien
<b>Tour Guides</b>	John Davies	Barry Tindall
<b>Worship Play</b>	Katie Cashwell and Molly Smith	

**Preaching Schedule**

March 16	Rev. Roger J. Gench
March 23	Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader
March 30	Rev. Roger J. Gench
April 6	Rev. Katie Cashwell
April 13-Palm Sunday	Rev. Roger J. Gench

**Counters' Schedule**

March 11	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
March 16	Dan Stokes and Adam Bain
March 23	Megan Erb and ShuXian McKenna

**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.*

**Please stay for coffee and fellowship** at the side of the Sanctuary after the 8:45 a.m. service and in the Narthex after the 11 a.m. service.

**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](mailto: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.

**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.