## CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL -Classes meet in the Park Level at 10 a.m.

Class	Teachers
Nursery	Certified and professional staff members,
(8:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)	supervised by Rev. Cashwell
Preschool Class	Doug House, Elizabeth Sciupac,
ages 3-5	Elisa Jillson, Sarah Mack, Kay Meek
Lower Elementary Class	Molly Lauer, Marsha Renwanz,
ages 5 to 8 years	Mark Sproles, Bridget Sproles
Upper Elementary Class	David Gillies, Kathy Doan,
ages 9 to 12 years	Catherine Cannon
Youth Class	Susan Hesser, Betsy Merritt, Kevin Guy
12 years +	

Adult Sunday School	Sundays, October and November
-	10 a.m., Room 520

"The Lost Rituals and Practices" Jesus' earthly ministry was devoted to practices of healing the sick, casting out demons, performing miracles, and the laying on of hands. On September 8, we began a ten-week course of study with Tarra Taylor of Howard University's School of Divinity, examining the religious rituals and practices that are no longer – or rarely – seen in the church today. This course is intended to stir your curiosity, to give you a deeper appreciation of the scriptures and these practices of faith, and to challenge your thinking about the many ways in which our faith is demonstrated.

Adult Sunday School	Sundays, October 27 - November 17
	10 a.m., Room 511

"A Cloud of Witnesses: Illuminating Sidelights and Fascinating Byways of the Congregation's Story and Mission" The Church has a rich history of members and individuals associated with the church. Dewey Wallace (October 27), John O'Brien (November 3), Dan Stokes, Marilyn Seiber, and Wilson Golden (November 10), and Paul Dornan (November 17), will share stories of some of these individuals and how they shaped the life of NYAPC, or how the church shaped their lives.

This week: A surprising glance back at the 1903 NYAPC centennial celebration. The President of the US, along with the Secretary of State and other Cabinet members, several Justices of the Supreme Court, as well as US Senators, attended this four-day whirl of retrospection and self-congratulation. Analysis of the events, words, and personalities that converged for the occasion reveals much about the outlook and mission of the congregation and its place in the American religious context. Led by Dewey Wallace

Next week: NYAPC achieved prominence during the Civil War by its association with President Abraham Lincoln, who attended services and other church events here throughout his presidency. Lincoln's relationship with Rev. Phineas D. Gurley influenced his thinking on the purpose of the war and provided spiritual comfort through his most significant family and national crises. Incidents will be highlighted in Lincoln's relationship with NYAPC and its pastor as well as the church's role in the war-changed community in the heart of the nation's capital. We will also follow some of the interesting events and stories in the post-war reconstruction era through 1880 and the pastorate of army veteran Rev. John Paxton. Led by John O'Brien.

#### **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, <a href="mailto:spencergib@aol.com">spencergib@aol.com</a>

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 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

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, 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

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 brunch in the John Quincy Adams Room at 12.15 p.m. on Sundays. For more information about Faith on Tap, Bible study, and other fellowship or service activities, (or to be added to the email list) contact Gordon Chaffin (galexanderchaffin@gmail.com).

> Ministers: The Entire Congregation Interim Associate Pastor: Katie Cashwell, M. Div. Parish Associate for Visitation: Ann Rose Davie, M. Div. Director of Planned Giving: Catherine Schultheis Parish Associates:

Pastor: Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D. Associate Pastor: Linda LeSourd Lader, M. Div. Director of Music: Stanley P. Engebretson, D.M.A. 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. Iudith E. Michaels, D. Min., Ph.D. Glenn Myers, M. Div., M.A.

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# **Celebration of Worship**

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

October 27, 2013 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. **30th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

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

Eternal God, we thank You for the gifts of music and song through which creation has offered You praise and thanksgiving, confession and lament, prayers and petitions. Thank You for old songs that keep us connected with saints and traditions from our past, and for new songs that create a legacy for future generations. Thank You for songs from our culture that express our heritage in familiar melodies and rhythms, and for songs from other cultures that open us to the variety of ways in which Your people offer praise around the world. May this new hymnal inspire our own songs in times of joy and sorrow. Amen.

# I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude Hymn Sing to introduce the new hymnal,

"Glory to God"

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God" Introit

Luther, arr. Hassler

**New Hymn Introduction** 

\*Lincoln Chimes

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 96 and 98)

Leader: O sing to the LORD a new song, for God has done marvelous

All: Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea

resound, and all that is in it.

Leader: Let the fields be jubilant, let the rivers clap their hands, let the

forests and the mountains sing for joy.

All: Make music to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and

the sound of singing.

Leader: With trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn, shout for joy

before the LORD who reigns.

All: O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the

earth.

\*Opening Hymn

#401, "Here In This Place"

Gather Us In

**Prayer of Confession** 

Holy One, Holy Three, You call all who dwell on earth to follow You, singing songs of praise. We confess, however, that Your song has been silenced within us. We are unwilling to sing new songs – or to embrace sisters and brothers whose songs are different from our own. We sing as we live -We count all that we have done to earn Your love rather than confess our need for Your grace and mercy. We point out the shortcomings of others rather than examine our own waywardness. Forgive us. Cleanse our hearts of all that stifles Your voice within us. Join our songs with Your whole Church so that in all we sing, speak, or do, we may act to Your glory, not our own.

\*Please stand, if able

**Silent Confession** 

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Response

#390, "Praise, Praise, Praise The Lord"

Louez le Seigneur!

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Psalm 51:1-12, page 492-493, NRSV Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

"O Lord, You are my God and King"

"Jerusalem" C. H. H. Parry

Time for Children

#300 (verse 1), "They Will Know We Are Christians"

Second Lesson

Luke 18:9-14, page 76, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

**Tales of the Kingdom: "**Up to the Temple to Pray"

Rev. Katie Cashwell

III. The Community Responds to the Word

\*Sermon Hymn

# 687 (verses 1-4), "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" Psalm 90

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission

Stewardship Campaign

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

8:45 \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around

the Table for Giving and Prayer

"Durch Jesu Christum, Amen," from Cantata No. 106

J. S. Bach

\*Response

#591 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

To You, O God, we offer these gifts. We know that Your creative power is the source of every good gift. Today, we take special delight in the gift of these hymnals. We dedicate them to You and we offer You our thanks and praise through singing. Enable us to sing in one voice as Your gathered people, and to join in harmony with all who worship You. Holy God, as we dedicate this new hymnal to You, we also recommit ourselves to the singing work of Your people. By Your grace, may the words and melodies shape our faith for years to come, and in ways that forever give glory to You. Amen.

#### Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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.

\*Passing of the Peace

11:00

\*Sending Hymn

#408 (verse 1), "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we leave this place.

\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

\*Congregational Response Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

"Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott" Luther, arr. Paul Manz

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Liturgy provided by PCUSA Office in Louisville, KY for Hymnal Dedicatory Worship.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the office volunteers by members and friends of the Congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

8:45 a.m. 11 a.m. Ros Ridgway and David Brown and Greeters Susan Clark

Loretta Scales

Barry Tindall John Schultheis **Tour Guides** 

Worship Play Caroline Donovan White

#### Counters' Schedule

Liturgists

October 29	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
November 5	Nancy Dickinson and Dan Stokes
November 10	Barb Dornan and ShuXian McKenna
November 17	Martha Davis and Megan Erb
November 24	John Schultheis and Kim Johnson

## **Preaching Schedule**

November 3	Rev. Roger J. Gench
November 9	Rev. Roger J. Gench
November 16	Rev. Roger J. Gench
November 23	Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader
November 28	Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader (Thanksgiving Day)

#### Glory To God: The Presbyterian Hymnal

Today is the first Sunday we are using the new Presbyterian Hymnal! We present these hymnals to the glory of God and for service in the life of this congregation. Music is an integral part of the work of the people of God. God's people have always sung. When the Israelites crossed the Red Sea, Moses and Miriam sang. When Samuel was born, Hannah sang. When the exiles were in Babylon, they wondered if their song was lost-it wasn't, and they sang. When Gabriel brought good news of great joy to Mary, she sang. The early church sang hymns, psalms, and spiritual songs, and we have been singing ever since.

God's gift of music is not just to those with melodious voices, but to those whose hearts are tuned to praise of God. We recommit ourselves to the singing work of the people of God.

Questions about the old, blue hymnals, retrieving a specific one that was dedicated to you or a family member, or ideas and contacts of where to donate the blue hymnals should be directed to Martha Davis at thabibu@aol.com