

**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	Doug House, Elizabeth Sciupac, Elisa Jillson, Kay Meek
Lower Elementary Class (K – 1 st grade)	Molly Lauer, Marsha Renwanz, Mark Sproles, Bridget Sproles
Upper Elementary Class (1 st – 5 th grade)	David Gillies, Kathy Doan, Catherine Cannon
Youth Class (6 th – 12 th grade)	Susan Hesser, Betsy Merritt, Kevin Guy

Adult Sunday School	Sundays, September 8-October 13 10 a.m., Room 511
<p>“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 is available during class for \$15.</p>	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, September, October, November 10 a.m., Room 520
<p>“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.</p>	

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

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 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, robinscleanor@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 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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Celebration of Worship

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

**September 29, 2013
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

Be still and know that I am God. -Psalm 46:10

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude “Prelude on ‘Morning Has Broken’
Bunessan, arr. Larson

Introit “O Word of God Incarnate”
Munich, adapted Mendelssohn

***Lincoln Chimes**

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

**All: We come to worship to Lord with gladness
and with singing.**

Leader: Know this: The Lord alone is God.

**All: We belong to the Lord, who made us.
We are God’s people and the sheep of God’s pasture.**

Leader: Give thanks and call upon God’s name.
The Lord is good.

**All: God’s mercy is everlasting.
The Lord is faithful to all generations.**

***Opening Hymn**

#463 (verses 1-2), “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”
Christ Whose Glory

Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, You give us life, and Your perfect love
surrounds us. But we are rebellious, prone to following
foolish ideas, and paths that lead away from You. And
yet, when we cry out, You are there. Have mercy on us,
and forgive our sin. We humbly ask You to heal our pain
and fill our emptiness in Your embrace. Lead us in Your
life-giving ways, that we may show Your love and
faithfulness, through the power of Your Holy Spirit.**

Silent Confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

**Please stand, if able*

BREAKING DOWN THE WALLS OF HOSTILITY

September 29– Ephesians 2:12-22

September 30– 1 Corinthians 12:14-16

October 1– 1 Peter 3:8-12

October 2– Psalm 67

October 3– Colossians 3:12-17

October 4– Romans 3:27-31

October 5– James 2:1-9

***Response**
 #463 (verse 3), “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”
 Christ Whose Glory
Visit then this soul of mine;
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiance divine;
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more Thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

***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 16:19-31, page 75, NRSV
 Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem “Poor Man Lazarus”
 Spiritual
 arr. Hairston

Time for Children

Second Lesson

Job 42:12, page 462, NRSV *(8:45 a.m.)*
 Genesis 9:20-21, page 7, NRSV *(11:00 a.m.)*
 Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Stick Around For The Second Half” *(8:45 a.m.)*
“The Danger Of Nightcaps
During Days Of New Beginnings” *(11:00 a.m.)*
 Rev. Lionel Edmonds

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#383 (*verses 1-3*), “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”
 Olivet

Minute for Mission *Peacemaking Offering*

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“How Lovely Are the Messengers”
 Felix Mendelssohn

***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

Living God, You have blessed us beyond measure and called us to love one another. May these gifts be used to bring Your mercy and provision to those in need, and may we be instruments of Your love, justice, and peace, in this city, and with all we meet. In the name of Christ our Lord, 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 a.m.)*

*Sending Hymn

#138 (*verses 1, 3 and 4*),
 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”
 Nicaea

- 1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
 Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
 Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
 God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
 Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
 Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
 Perfect in power, in love, and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
 All Thy works shall praise Thy Name,
 in earth, and sky, and sea;
 Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
 God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

***Congregational Response**
Alleluia! Amen!
Postlude “Allegro Maestoso,” from **Organ Sonata No. 3**
 Felix Mendelssohn

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Rev. H. Lionel Edmonds has served as Senior Pastor of Mount Lebanon Baptist Church in Washington, DC since 1992. He is the co-founder and President of the Washington Interfaith Network. His preaching ministry has brought him into the pulpits of cathedrals in Europe, and to conventions and churches across the United States.

Rev. Edmonds and his congregation joined with the people of Emory Methodist Church and NYAPC for Lenten discussions of James Cone’s *The Cross and the Lynching Tree* earlier this year. We are grateful for Rev. Edmond’s ministry and friendship, and we hope to have many more opportunities to share in ministry and fellowship together.

The flowers in the chancel today were given to the glory of God and in memory of **Andrew Dorman** by **Molly and Mike Smith**.

	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
Greeters	Mary and Warren Krug	Tyler Feret and Karen Milam
Liturgists	Robert Neill	Olivia Lewis
Tour Guides	Meg Neill	Leonard Shabman
Worship Play	Katie Cashwell and Karen Dunlap	

Preaching Schedule during Rev. Gench’s Sabbatical: “Tales of the Kingdom from Luke’s Gospel”

October 6	Worldwide Communion Sunday
October 13	Rev. J. Herbert Nelson
October 20	Rev. J. Herbert Nelson
October 27	Rev. Katie Cashwell

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