

**Summer Schedule
through August 31
Adult Education Classes at 9 a.m.
Worship at 10 a.m.**

Babies and toddlers under 4 are welcome in the Park Level nursery. **Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals.** During the service, children's worship aids are available in the rear of the Sanctuary. Youth and children classes resume September 7.

Worship Play offered during the sermon for children ages 4 through Fifth Grade.

Adult Sunday School	Sundays through July 20 9-10 a.m., Room 511
"Church Music: The Performed Word" "Singing is as close to worship as breathing is to life." Worship is a complete experience. It presents a theological lens for the people of God to interpret the world. Many people worship through the musical word as well as through the spoken word. The musical word is performed through psalms, hymns, spirituals, and gospel songs that reflect the Christian experience. In this course, we will discuss church music in context, Black church music, and different genres of church music. We will also examine the various messages and tensions found in church music. Led by Tarra Taylor of Howard Divinity School.	

PEACEMAKING IN LAW

- July 20– Exodus 20: 1-17
- July 21– 2 Kings 22: 3-13
- July 22– Isaiah 59: 1-16
- July 23– Psalm 119: 113-128
- July 24– Matthew 7: 12-14
- July 25– Acts 15: 22-35
- July 26– Romans 3: 21-31

www.pcusa.org/resource/2013-2014-biblical-witness-peacemaking

Opportunities for Service

7-2-9 Club – (resumes in September) 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 – (resumes in September) 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 or go to 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 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, robinsleanor@hotmail.com

The Peace Candle – Visitors are invited to take a prayer candle home to their congregations. Candles are at the back, 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 – For more information about Sunday brunches, 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) or Benno Lauer (benno.lauer@gmail.com).

	Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
	Pastor:	Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D.
	Associate Pastor:	Alice Rose Tewell, M. Div.
	Pastoral Associate:	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, B.A., Chr.Ed.
	Parish Associates:	Beth Braxton, M. Div., MRE, D. Min.
		J. Gary Campbell, M. Div., M.A.
		Frances Taylor Gench, M. Div., Ph.D.
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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.

**July 20, 2014
10:00 a.m.**

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

- Prelude** "I Just Came to Praise The Lord"
Bill Gaither
Arr. by Terry Winch
- Introit** "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel"
Traditional Spiritual
arr. by Chris Alexander and Byron Myers
- * Lincoln Chimes**
- I. The Community Gathers for Worship**
- * Call to Worship**
Leader: Come one, come all, for God is here!
All: We have come to praise the God who delivers us.
Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious; God's faithfulness never ends.
All: We are here to give thanks to God, whose love sustains us.
Leader: God embraces us all. God never turns anyone away.
All: We are God's people. Praise the Lord!
- *Hymn** #409 (verses 1 and 2), "God is Here!"
Abbot's Leigh

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, Your creatures cry—creation groans—but we turn away; we surround ourselves with noise. We are quick to excuse ourselves from responsibility: we are young; we are old; we are tired; we are busy. It is hard to imagine that we might make a difference. Life-giving God, wash us clean. Restore our imaginations and our hearts. Let Your courage and compassion flow through our veins until we love with abandon and our hands reach out in blessing, for the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God. Amen.

Silent Confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

**Please stand, if able.*

***Response**

#409 (*verse 4*), "God is Here!"
Abbot's Leigh
**Lord of all, of church and kingdom,
In an age of change and doubt
Keep us faithful to the gospel;
Help us work Your purpose out.**

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Matthew 13: 1-9, 24-30a, pages 13-14, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "When You Believe"

Stephen Schwartz
arr. Chris Alexander and Byron Myers

Time for Children

Second Lesson

Romans 8:14-25, page 148, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "God's Family"

Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader

III. The Community Responds to the Word

***Sermon Hymn**

#465, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Converse

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Fear Not"
Carl Cartee and David Moffitt
arr. by Travis Cottrell

***Response**

#607, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Doxology
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Faithful God, we give You thanks for the people You bring into our lives. Use these gifts and all who go forth from this place to bring healing to our broken world. In the name of the risen Savior, 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**

***Sending Hymn**

#435, "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"
In Babilone

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea. There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.**
- 2 For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind. And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word, and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.**

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Alleluia! Amen!**

Response

Postlude "He's Alive Forever Amen!"
Travis Cottrell, Dave Moffitt and Sue Smith
arr. by Jay Rouse

"Happy"
Pharrell Williams
arr. by Mark Brymer

"Shout My Praise"
Tavis Cottrell and David Moffitt
Arr. by Cottrell

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The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God, and in appreciation for the **volunteers on the Finance Committee** by members and friends of the congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

The New Generation Singers is a multi-racial, multi-ethnic, multi-talented group of faith- and energy-driven singers and instrumentalists, under the executive direction of Byron Myers, and the musical leadership of Byron "Bemo" Myers, II. The members are high school and college-age young people from St. Joseph, MO. We wish to thank them for their participation in worship this morning.

Greeters	Amy Gillespie, Caroline and Jeff White
Liturgist	Elizabeth Winn Bowman
Tour Guide	Wilson Golden
Worship Play	Caroline and Jeff White, Karen Dunlap
Counters	John Schultheis and Amy Gillespie

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 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 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. 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.

Restrooms: The Deacons remind members and friends that the restrooms on the fifth floor are available on Sundays mornings.

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.