

**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. Tewell
Preschool Class ages 3-5	Doug House, Elizabeth Sciapac, Kay Meek
Lower Elementary Class Kindergarten- 1st Grade	Molly Lauer, Marsha Renwanz, Mark Sproles, Bridget Sproles, Carter Coker
Upper Elementary Class 2nd Grade-5th Grade	David Gillies, Kathy Doan, Catherine Cannon
Youth Class 6th Grade-12th Grade	Kevin Guy, Jessie Cleveland, Joe Brady, Betsy Merritt

Adult Sunday School	Sundays 10:20 a.m., Lincoln Chapel
<b>"Adventures in Prayer"</b> Maybe you are new to prayer. Maybe prayer is as natural to you as breathing. This class, which will meet in the Lincoln Chapel from 10:20-10:50 on two-service Sundays, is for everyone and anyone who takes prayer seriously. We will learn together and we will pray together. All questions, joys and concerns are welcome. Come when you can. The adventure awaits. Led by Miriam Dewhurst.	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, September 14-28, October 5 10 a.m., Room 511
<b>"The Theology of Karl Barth"</b> Many consider Karl Barth the most important Christian theologian of the twentieth century. This class will discuss his lectures on the Apostle's Creed delivered in postwar Bonn in 1946 and published under the title <i>Dogmatics in Outline</i> . These lectures provide a brief introduction to many of the principal themes of his theological reflections. Dewey Wallace, Professor Emeritus, George Washington University, will lead the class. Copies of <i>Dogmatics in Outline</i> will be available from Paul Dornan or at the entryway desk starting this weekend. Each copy costs \$12.	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, September 14, 21, 28 10 a.m., Room 127
<b>"Handbells 101"</b> Did you know the church has hand bells? This class will provide an introduction to how to play hand bells correctly and care for them and we will play some very simple pieces. There may be opportunities to get together again, with the possible goal of a performance during a church service.	

**SONGS OF PEACE**

September 21– 2 Chronicles 5: 1-14  
September 22– Isaiah 54:11-13  
September 23– Song of Songs 8:5-10  
September 24– Psalm 34  
September 25– Luke 2: 13-14  
September 26– Philippians 2:6-11  
September 27– Revelation 4: 1-11

[www.pcusa.org/resource/2013-2014-biblical-witness-peacemaking](http://www.pcusa.org/resource/2013-2014-biblical-witness-peacemaking)

**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 or at the front desk.

**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 Brian Schimming, [nyavefoundation@gmail.com](mailto:nyavefoundation@gmail.com)

**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 back, right side, of the sanctuary. Please sign the notepad there, so we may know who you are. For more information about the Peace and Justice Committee activities, contact Marilyn Seiber, [mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net](mailto:mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net)

**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** – 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](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.

**September 21, 2014  
8:45 and 11 a.m.  
25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Prelude** "Thou Shalt Bring Them In"  
G. F. Handel

**Introit** "Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show"  
Llanfair

\* **Lincoln Chimes**

**I. The Community Gathers for Worship**

\* **Call to Worship** *George Herbert, Anglican priest and poet, 1593-1633*  
Leader: Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

**All:** Such a way as gives breath,

Leader: Such a truth as ends all strife,

**All:** Such a life as killeth death.

Leader: Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart

**All:** Such a joy as we can move,

Leader: Such a love as none can part,

**All:** Such a heart as joy in love.  
Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life.

\***Hymn** #351 (*verses 1-3*), "All Who Love and Serve Your City"  
Charlestown

**Prayer of Confession**

**Gracious God, when we think we have no solutions to our problems, forgive us and transform us. When we think we have nothing to offer, forgive us, O God, and transform us. When we are afraid to be honest with You and dare not bring our struggles to You, forgive us and transform us. When we long to be in control and forget to trust You, forgive us and transform us. We know, loving God, that You hear us when we pray. This day we open ourselves to Your transforming and everlasting love, trusting in Your grace and mercy. Amen.**

**Silent Confession**

\***Assurance of Pardon**

*\* Please stand, if able*

**\*Response**

#351 (*verse 4*), "All Who Love and Serve Your City"  
Charlestown  
**Risen Lord, shall yet the city  
be the city of despair?  
Come today, our judge, our glory.  
Be its name "The Lord is there!"**

**\*A Brief Statement of Faith** 8:45 (*Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal*)

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

**First Lesson**

Philippians 1:21-30, pages 185, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** "Sing Me to Heaven"  
Dan Gawthrop

**Time for Children**

**Second Lesson**

Matthew 20:1-16, page 20-21, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "What Is Your Intention?"  
Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

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

**\*Sermon Hymn**

#488, "I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"  
Waterlife

**The Sacrament of Baptism** 11:00 *Sydney Maryanne Norfolk*

**Concerns of the Church**

**Minute for Mission** *Peacemaking 2014 - Faith Connects*

**Offertory**

8:45 \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around  
the Table for Giving and Prayer  
11:00 "Invocation"  
arr. Roy Ringwald

**\*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**

**\*Passing of the Peace** 11:00

**\*Sending Hymn**

#295, "Go to the World"  
Sine Nomine

- 1 Go to the world! Go into all the earth.  
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,  
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**
- 2 Go to the world! Go into every place.  
Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.  
Go seek God's presence in each time and space.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**
- 3 Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;  
The nights of tears give way to joyous day.  
As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**
- 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,  
For I am with you till the age shall end,  
When all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

**\*Congregational Alleluia! Amen!**

**Response**

**Postlude** "Hornpipe"  
G. F. Handel

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Mary Prothro* by her fellow volunteers at the *7-2-9 Club*.

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	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
<b>Greeters</b>	Kris and Wilson Golden	Rebecca Davis, Carol Casperson
<b>Liturgists</b>		Carol Shannon
<b>Tour Guides</b>	Wilson Golden	Len Shabman
<b>Worship Play</b>	Caroline White and Karen Dunlap	

**Counters' Schedule**

September 23 Jim Martin and Barb Dornan  
September 30 Dan Stokes and Nancy Dickinson

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**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.

**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.

**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 bulletins and children's activities 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.