

**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
<p><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.</p>	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, October 26, November 2 10 a.m., Room 511
<p><b>"Who Is Your Mama?" A Look at the Face of God through Galatians:</b> In his letter to the church in Galacia, Paul responds passionately to those "Missionaries" who have drastically changed the Gospel Paul preached from a "Law-Less" relationship to a "Law-Full" relationship with God. Paul uses the familiar story of Hagar and Sarah and their sons, Ishmael and Isaac, to help the Galatians disconnect from the "Missionary's" version of the Gospel and reconnect with the Gospel he, Paul, originally preached. He uses the "Mamas," both slave and free, to help the Galatians [and us] see who their spiritual ancestors are and how those ancestors help us recognize the image of God. Rev. Paula Hill, student at Howard Divinity School, will lead the series.</p>	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, November 2, 9, 23 10 a.m., Room 520
<p><b>"Israel and Palestine: Post Gaza War and GA221":</b> At this summer's General Assembly in Detroit our church, the PC(USA), took the courageous step of divesting from three companies that profited from the occupation of the Palestinian territories. Several weeks later war broke out in the Gaza Strip between Israel and Hamas resulting in over 2,100 Palestinian casualties, the overwhelming majority of whom were civilians, and 68 Israelis, all but four of whom were soldiers. What does GA221 mean for the Church and its involvement in the Israel-Palestine conflict? How can we assist with the rebuilding in Gaza and the securing of a just and lasting peace? What can you do as an individual to promote understanding and increase education on the issue? Matthew Asada and Stephanie Simpson will lead.</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](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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	Director of Planned Giving:	Catherine Schultheis, B.A., Chr.Ed.
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# Celebration of Worship

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

**November 2, 2014  
8:45 and 11 a.m.  
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
All Saints Sunday  
Communion Sunday**

*The worship service begins with a brief period for personal meditation and the Prelude.*  
"So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of  
God but also our very lives, because you have become so dear to us."  
- I Thess. 2:8

**Prelude** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"  
Nettleton, arr. Powell

**Introit** "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"  
Westminster Abbey

\* **Lincoln Chimes**

## I. The Community Gathers for Worship

\* **Call to Worship** *adapted from Psalm 42*

Leader: As a deer longs for flowing streams, so our souls long for  
You, O God.

**All: Some days are hard, some nights are full of tears. We  
pour out our souls to You, our hope and our God.**

Leader: Yes, God! In the daylight we see Your loving-kindness; at  
night, Your song stays with us.

**All: We will put our trust in You, O God; we praise and  
give thanks to You, our help and our God.**

\***Hymn**

#35 (verses 1-2) "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"  
Lobe den Herren

**Prayer of Confession**

**Gracious God, You call us Your own children and  
embrace us in love. Yet too often we fail to show others  
the mercy and compassion we receive from You. We  
shrink back, choosing fear over faith, excusing our  
negative attitudes as "realistic." As we turn our eyes to  
You, O God, forgive us, and wash us clean. Fill us with  
Your joy and love, that we may live as thankful people,  
tangible evidence of Your great love for all the world.**

**Silent Confession**

\***Assurance of Pardon**

*\*Please stand, if able*

**\*Response**

#35 (*verse 3*) “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”  
Lobe den Herren  
**Praise Ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!**  
**All that has life and breath,**  
**come now with praises before him!**  
**Let the Amen sound from His people again;**  
**gladly for aye we adore him.**

**\*A Brief Statement of Faith** (Pages 37, #2, "Glory to God" hymnal)

## II. The Community Hears the Word of God

**First Lesson** from "The Message" translation

I Thessalonians 2:8, 11-12, 17-18, 3:1-2, 6-10

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** "Goin' Home on a Cloud"  
Spiritual, arr. White  
Rhianna Cockrell, soloist

**Time for Children** Cathy Schultheis & Rev. Gench

**Second Lesson** Psalm 42, page 487, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "Soul Talk"  
Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

**\*Sermon Hymn** #792, “There is a Balm in Gilead”  
Balm in Gilead

**Minute for Mission** Stewardship 2015

**Offertory** "Tantum Ergo"  
Gabriel Fauré  
Translation:  
Lo! the sacred Host we hail, Lo! o'er ancient forms departing  
Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith for all defects supplying,  
Where the feeble senses fail. To the Everlasting Father, And  
the Son Who reigns on high With the Holy Ghost proceeding  
Forth from Each eternally, Be salvation, honor, blessing, Might,  
and endless majesty. Amen.

**\*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**

**God of grace and glory, we give You thanks for all Your saints, for those who have gone before us, and for those whose kindness and courage surround us every day. Use these gifts—and our lives—to show Your love and to help those most in need. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

**Communion with Prayers of the People**

**Invitation**

**Litany of Thanksgiving**

One: The Lord be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**  
One: Lift up your hearts.  
**All: We lift them to the Lord.**  
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving with Prayers of the People**

*It is truly right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise, O Lord our God, Creator and Redeemer of the universe.... Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:*

**Response** “Holy, Holy”  
Holy, Holy (Irregular)  
**Holy, holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty;**  
**And we lift our hearts before You as a token of our love,**  
**Holy, holy, holy, holy.**

*You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor are Yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Let us pray for God's rule on earth, as Jesus taught us:*

**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.**

**Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements**

*Participants in the communion proceed down the aisles to the servers, take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, and partake.*

*8:45 a.m. Please remain at the front of the Sanctuary.*

*11 a.m. Please return to your pew via the side aisles.*

*Those unable to come forward will be offered the bread and the cup at their seats (There is a Gluten Free communion set available; raise your hand for a pastor to respond.)*

**Prayer After Communion**

**Loving God, We thank You that You have fed us in the Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in Your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of Your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn**

#805 (*verses 1 and 4*), "Come Sing to God"  
Ellecombe

- 1 Come sing to God, O living saints, sing praises to God's name. God's anger is not permanent, God's love will never wane. Though tears may tarry for the night with sighs of deepest pain, Yet joy comes with the morning sun, a peace that is not vain.**
- 4 You change my grief to joy-filled dance, my sorrows You destroy. In faithfulness You hear my cry and fill my life with joy. And so to You my heart shall sing, my voice Your goodness raise. You are my God, forevermore, my life shall sing Your praise.**

**\* Introduction of New Members**

11 a.m.

**\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response**

**Alleluia! Amen!**

**Postlude** "Festival Postlude on Westminster Abbey"  
George Towers

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## Remembering the Saints

Mary Ann Pakosh Curton	Bruce C. Whitener
Col. Glenn L. Myers	Mary J. B. Lee
James T. Hazlitt	Reuben D. Cook
Patricia Gibbons Inglis	Gladys M. Rigsby
Vernona Turnbull	Mary F. Prothro
Ellen Eager	Alma W. Yeomans

**The flowers in the chancel** today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the life of **Delia Jamandre Amor** by her loving children in the Philippines, Canada, and the USA.

**The Peace Candle** in the Chancel is a reminder to pray for refuges in Iraq and Syria.

**The rose in the Chancel** this morning is to announce and celebrate the birth of **Sylvan James Spearman** on October 17, 2014. Sylvan is the son of **James and Courtney Spearman**.

We wish to thank **Rhianna Cockrell** for her special music this morning.

	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Liturgists</b>	Betsy Merritt	David Brown
<b>Tour Guides</b>	Barry Tindall	Len Shabman
<b>Worship Play</b>	Dawn Hill and Benno Lauer	