

**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 12, 19, 26 10 a.m., Room 520
<p>Rev. Roger Gench will introduce his new book to the class and discuss how it relates to his experiences here at NYAPC and what he envisions as possible for our congregation as an urban church.</p>	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, October 12, 19, 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>	

**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, [robinsleanor@hotmail.com](mailto: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 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)

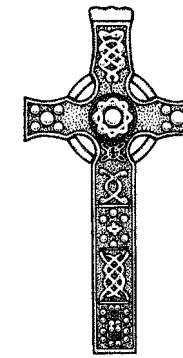
**Triangle Park Committee** – Working with the National Park Service to ensure maintenance and oversee the flower and plant beds along the church wall, we meet 4-6 times a year, conduct business via email, and schedule work days as needed. Contact Marilyn Seiber, [mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net](mailto:mjs1wan2@bellatlantic.net) 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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	Parish Associate for Visitation:	Ann Rose Davie, M. Div.
	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.

**October 12, 2014  
8:45 and 11 a.m.  
28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Prelude** "Elegy"  
James Biery

**Introit** "God, Reveal Your Presence"  
Arnsberg, 1680

\* Lincoln Chimes

## I. The Community Gathers for Worship

\* **Call to Worship** *(adapted from Church Dogmatics IV.1, Karl Barth)*

Leader: Grace and gratitude!

**All: They belong together like heaven and earth.**

Leader: Gratitude follows grace like thunder follows lightning.

**All: Let us rejoice in God's grace with words of gratitude and songs of praise!**

\*Hymn

#687 (verses 1-3)

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

St. Anne

Prayer of Confession

*(adapted from William Barclay,  
New Testament scholar, 1908-1978)*

Lord God, we gather our voices and hearts to confess our sin to You. We pray for humility that realizes its ignorance, admits its mistakes, recognizes its need, welcomes advice, accepts rebuke. Help us daily to praise rather than just criticize, to sympathize rather than to condemn, to encourage rather than to discourage, to build rather than tear down, and to think of people at their best rather than at their worst. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ whose humility is a daily reminder amid a lifelong example. Amen.

Silent Confession

\*Assurance of Pardon

*\*Please stand, if able*

**\*Response**

#687 (verse 4)  
"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"  
St. Anne  
A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone,  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

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

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

**First Lesson**

Isaiah 25:1-9, page 613, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** "Kyrie Eleison," from **Missa Secunde**  
Hans Leo Hassler

Translation: Lord have mercy,  
Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy

**Time for Children**

**Second Lesson**

Philippians 4:1-9 page 187, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** #Rejoice  
Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

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

**\*Sermon Hymn**  
#702, "Christ Be Beside Me"  
Bunessan

**Concerns of the Church**

**Minute for Mission** Stewardship 2015

**Offertory**

8:45 \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around  
the Table for Giving and Prayer  
11:00 "Sanctus" and "Agnus Dei," from **Missa Secunda**  
Hans Leo Hassler  
Translation: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabbath,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the  
highest, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the  
world, have mercy upon us, grant us peace.

**\*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** (based on Isaiah 25:4  
from *Feasting on the Word*)

**Creator God, You are our provider. We offer all that  
we have and all that we are to You, because we  
belong to You. Bless these gifts, and empower us,  
Your church, that through the work of Your Spirit  
we may be a refuge for the needy in their distress, a  
shelter from the storm, and a shade from the heat.  
Through Christ, our shield and our stronghold.  
Amen.**

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

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

**\*Sending Hymn**  
#37, "Let All Things Now Living"  
Ash Grove

- 1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
to God the Creator triumphantly raise;  
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
by guiding us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us; sure light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:  
till shadows have vanished and fearfulness banished  
as forward we travel from light into light.**
- 2 By law God enforces, the stars in their courses,  
the sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration, a song let us raise  
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!**

**\*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response** 11:00

**Alleluia! Amen!**

**Postlude** "Trumpet Tune"  
Robert Lau

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The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the *Board members of the New York Avenue Foundation* by members and friends of the congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

The rose in the chancel today is to announce and celebrate the birth of *Luke Nathaniel West* on October 7 at 12:49 p.m., weighing 8 lbs, 13 oz, and measuring 19.75 inches. Mom and Dad, Laura and Jeff West, big sister Naomi, and baby Luke are all doing well.

We wish to thank *Daniel Stokes and John Kim* for their music leadership this morning, while Dr. Engebretson is in Atlanta, leading a choral festival for St. James Episcopal Church.

	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Greeters</b>		
<b>Liturgists</b>	Sam McFerran	Elizabeth Merritt
<b>Tour Guides</b>	Barry Tindall	Paul Dornan
<b>Worship Play</b>		

**Counters' Schedule**

October 14	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
October 21	Barb Dornan and Nancy Dickinson
October 26	Martha Davis and John Schultheis

**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.

**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.