

## TODAY !

**Children and Youth Sunday School  
will not be meeting in individual classes.  
We shall have one large class in the Park Level**

### 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.

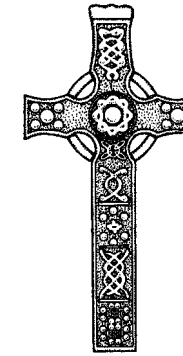
**New York Avenue Foundation** – The NYAF mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need throughout Washington, DC. Annually it solicits proposals and awards grants to grassroots non-profits, which further that mission. A volunteer Board of Trustees conducts the work of NYAF. 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))



## Celebration of Worship

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

**November 16, 2014  
8:45 and 11 a.m.  
33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Prelude** "Sonata No. 6, I, Allegro"  
Arcangelo Corelli

**Introit** "When Morning Gilds the Skies"  
Laudes Domini  
German Hymn, 1800

\* **Lincoln Chimes**

### I. The Community Gathers for Worship

\* **Call to Worship** *2011 Joan Stott – "The Timeless Psalms"  
RCL Psalm, Year A, used with permission.*

Leader: Great and Glorious God, we gather to worship You.  
We lift our eyes to You, in reverent awe before Your majesty.

**All: Great is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised!**

Leader: Generous and Merciful God, we come to worship You.  
We lift our eyes to You, giving thanks for Your compassion.

**All: Gracious is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised!**

Leader: Welcoming and Empowering God, we worship You.  
We lift our eyes to You, and we celebrate Your faithfulness.

**All: Holy is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised! We lift our eyes, seeking to worship and praise our God. Amen.**

\***Hymn**

#15 (verses 1-3),  
"All Creatures of Our God and King"  
Lasst uns Erfren

**Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, You have shown us the ways of justice and nurtured us with love. Even so, we have not lived according to Your will. When we are oppressed or unjustly accused, we cling to fear and forget to trust in Your deliverance. When we are giddy with power and abuse the rights of others, we hold tight to our privilege and forget Your laws. Have mercy on us, Lord, for we are weak and

*\*Please stand,  
if able*

<b>Adult Sunday School</b>	<b>Sundays 10:20 a.m., Lincoln Chapel</b>
<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.	
<b>Adult Sunday School</b>	<b>TODAY 10 a.m., Room 511</b>
<b>Bible Study with Cuba Partners "Lessons on Reconciliation"</b> Join Sam McFerran—to be ordained in December!—to reflect on what reconciliation can mean in our own lives with family, personal relationships, and community. Explore first the Gospel of Luke and the Prodigal Son to discern the meaning of reconciliation. Continue in week two with Paul's Letter to the Corinthians and his "letter of encouragement and hope" pointing to what a new life is like when one is with Christ. Everyone is welcome!	
<b>Adult Sunday School</b>	<b>Sundays, November 23 10 a.m., Room 520</b>
<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.	

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.  
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prone to disobedience. Hear our confession, and respond to us with kindness, that we might turn to You again, walk in the light, and live in equity and peace; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

#### Silent Confession

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

#### \*Response

#15 (verse 4),  
"All Creatures of Our God and King"  
Lasst uns Erfruen  
All who for love of God forgive,  
all who in pain or sorrow grieve,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Christ bears your burdens and your fears;  
so, even in the midst of tears,  
sing praises! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

## II. The Community Hears the Word of God

#### First Lesson

Psalm 123, pages 540, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

#### Anthem

"O Most Merciful"  
G. F. Handel  
8:45 John Kim, Tenor  
11:00 11:00 Sanctuary Choir

#### Time for Children

#### Second Lesson

Philippians 2:1-12, page 186, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon " Deep Symbols "  
Rev. Roger J. Gench

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

#### \*Sermon Hymn

#372, O for a World"  
Azmon

#### Concerns of the Church

#### Offertory

8:45 \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around  
the Table for Giving and Prayer  
11:00 "Now Thank We All Our God"  
Martin Luther, adapted J. S. Bach

#### \*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

For all that You are and all that You do, we give You thanks, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. We wait in hope for the coming of Your realm and offer these gifts to further Your kingdom on earth; in Jesus' name. 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.

#### \*Sending Hymn

#821, "My Life Flows On"  
How Can I Keep from Singing  
1 My life flows on in endless song,  
above earth's lamentation.  
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn  
that hails a new creation.  
*Refrain* No storm can shake my inmost calm  
while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,  
how can I keep from singing?  
2 Through all the tumult and the strife,  
I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul.  
How can I keep from singing? [*Refrain*]  
3 What though my joys and comforts die?  
I know my Savior liveth.  
What though the darkness gather round?  
Songs in the night he giveth. [*Refrain*]  
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,  
a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his!  
How can I keep from singing? [*Refrain*]

#### \*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

#### \*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude "Sonata No. 6, III., Allegro"  
Arcangelo Corelli

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God by *Jay Davenport* in loving memory of his parents, *Jay and Lillian Davenport*.

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

We wish to thank *David Brown and John Kim* for their special music this morning.

	8:45 a.m.	11 a.m.
Liturgists		
Tour Guides	Len Shabman	Len Shabman
Worship Play	David Inoue	

#### Counters' Schedule

November 16	Amy Gillespie and John Schultheis
November 23	Adam Bain and ShuXian McKenna
November 30	John Schultheis and Dan Stokes

#### Preaching Schedule

November 23	Rev. Alice Rose Tewell
November 30	Rev. Roger J. Gench

#### 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.

**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 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.