

| Adult Sunday School | |
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| Gathered for Prayer | Today, 10:20 a.m., Lincoln Chapel |
| Adventures in Prayer has become a group of people who gather each Sunday to pray for one another, for the people on the prayer/care list, for the church and the world. All questions, joys and concerns are welcome. Come anytime. | |
| Accounting for the Glory of God: Part 2 | Today, 10:00 a.m., Room 511 |
| The Accounting Task Force will continue their survey of recent progress in the church's financial management and accounting processes. You need not be an accountant or financial whiz to appreciate the work that has been done to produce more viable financial systems at The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. | |
| The Transformation of Shame: A Bible Study | Sunday, May 7, 14 and 21 10:00 a.m., Room 511 |
| Shame is a thoroughly human trait, yet, without some means to relieve it, it can destroy the shamed as individuals and groups. Paula Hall of Howard Divinity School will survey selected Biblical accounts of shame and the ways it can be transformed. | |

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The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church

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General Church Hours:

Mondays, Fridays, Sundays: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursdays: 8 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturdays: 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

(If we have no evening event scheduled, we may close the building.

Please check the website/email for updates.)

Opportunities for Service

7-2-9 Club – Enjoy a Wednesday evening (yes, from 7 to 9 p.m.), 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 – Washington D.C.'s oldest tutoring and mentorship program for public and charter school students needs adult volunteers to make a difference in a child's life. Students and volunteers meet at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Please contact Tom Karr or Shamika Bradley at directors@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

New York Avenue Foundation – The NYAF mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need throughout the Washington, D.C. community. Annually, it solicits proposals and awards grants to grassroots nonprofits, including Community Club, to further impact D.C. students. Contact Brian Schimming, nyavefoundation@gmail.com to learn more. Shopping at Amazon? Be sure to select the NYAF as your charity-of-choice at www.smile.amazon.com. Every purchase helps a child in need.

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.

Radcliffe Room Ministry – Come join our homeless guests, Sundays, 8:15-9:45 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 Peace Candle home to their congregations. Candles are at the back, right side, of the sanctuary. Please sign the note card there, so we may know who you are. For more information about the Peace and Justice Committee activities, contact Marilyn Seiber, 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 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, or other fellowship or service activities (or to be added to the e-mail list), contact Helen Anthony (shanthon@ncsu.edu), Phil Bolles (philbolles@gmail.com), or Katherine Leiden (keleiden@gmail.com).

Annual Stewardship - Each of the ministries described on this page, as well as everything else that happens at this church, is supported in a significant way by Annual Stewardship giving. Annual Stewardship is the act of making a financial pledge to the church operating budget for a year and completing that pledge. It is a deep personal and congregational theological act, and it is essential to the worship, community, and mission of this church! Members, affiliates, and friends are all invited to participate in Annual Stewardship. Please contact Lance Jameson, the church book keeper, Rachel Browning and Kim Johnson, the chair of the Annual Stewardship Committee, or Rev. Roger Gench, the Senior Pastor, for more information, questions, or to make your pledge.

We are in need of volunteers to help make NYAPC a welcoming place for our visitors and members by staffing the welcome table in the narthex before and after services. Welcome table volunteers arrive about 20-30 minutes before a Sunday service to greet worshipers and then hang out for about 15-20 minutes after the service to chat with visitors and members during coffee time. For more details, visit <http://bit.ly/1OEPH6r>. If you are interested in signing up for one (or more!) services, please contact Alison Kootstra Nowak at amkootstra@gmail.com or Paul Dornan at pbdornanp@aol.com.



Celebration of Worship

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

April 23, 2017

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Second Sunday of Easter

Prelude

“Jesus Shall Reign”
Duke Street, arr. Wells

Introit

“O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing”
O Filii et Filiae

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

(from eco-justice.org)

Leader: Hear the proclamation of faith: Christ is risen from the dead!
The Spirit is poured out. Lives are transformed.

All: God is active in our world. God brings hope and healing.

Leader: Hear the call of God: The Spirit of God invites us into community.
We are called to see beyond ourselves,
and to join in loving care for all those around us.

All: We accept God's call, and we rejoice in the gift of community.

Leader: Hear a challenge for today:
The Earth is stressed by the heavy impact of human use.
The whole of God's creation is groaning, crying out in pain.

**All: We name the Earth as part of our community.
We extend our love to all of God's creation.**

Leader: People of faith, gather now to worship God
the creator and redeemer of the world.
Gather now to be transformed by God's compassionate love.

**All: We praise with joy the world's creator,
God of justice, love and peace!**

*Opening Hymn

#15, (*verses 1-5*), “All Creatures of Our God and King”
Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Prayer of Confession *(from [Touch Holiness](http://TouchHoliness) edited by Ruth C. Duck and Maren C. Tirabassi)*

God of all worlds and all time, we gather voicing thanks for this season of resurrection. May our worship be as an Easter tide. Wash over us and seep into us to refresh and cleanse. Dissolve the prejudices that we cling to like barnacles, the jealousies that lodge in crevices of memory. Move toward us with power and might when we are rock-rigid in our views and when we are unforgiving as granite. Let us hear the thunderous sound of good news as it breaks upon our hardness of heart. And bid us, God, to dare to journey upon the sea of the Spirit. May the waves of Easter tide buoy us up and beckon us to the adventure of resurrection living. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

**Please stand, if able*

***Response**

#15, (*verse 6*), “All Creatures of Our God and King”
Lasst Uns Erfreuen
**O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
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 16, pages 469, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“This Joyful Eastertide”
Dutch Carol, arr. Harris

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

John 20:19-31, pages 108-109, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “Resurrection Living” Rev. Alice R. Tewell

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#14, “For the Beauty of the Earth”
Dix

The Sacrament of Baptism Caroline Elizabeth Concetta Davis
11:00 a.m. See insert.

Reception of New Members *See insert.*
11:00 a.m.

Concerns of the Church

Moment for Mission Sanctuary Taskforce *8:45 a.m.* Rebecca Davis
11:00 a.m. John O’Brien

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

8:45 a.m. We Gather Around the Table for Giving and Prayer
11:00 a.m. “Magdalena”
Johannes Brahms

***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** (from the National Council of Churches, Prayers for Earth Day)

Generous God, You have blessed us with the resources to share the good news of Your love for all creation. We dedicate these gifts and pray that they may bring healing, wholeness, and hope to the world, that future generations may also know Your graciousness and love. 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**

#250, “In the Bulb There is a Flower”
Promise

- 1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there’s a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**
- 2 There’s a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there’s a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**
- 3 In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”
Hyfrydol, arr. Smith

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in grateful thanks for our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for those who experience “earthquakes” in their lives—loss of a job, home, loved one, or confronting health challenges—all need our support and prayers.

| | 8:45 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. |
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| Liturgist | Kristin Ford | Yongo Ding |
| Tour Guide | David Powell | Barry Tindall |
| Worship Play | Karen Dunlap | Stacey Gagosian |

| Counters | |
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| April 23 | ShuXian McKenna and Dan Stokes |
| April 30 | Martha Davis and John Schultheis |
| May 9 | Nancy Dickinson and Jim Martin |
| May 16 | Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein |

| Preaching Schedule | |
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| April 30 | Rev. Roger J. Gench |
| May 7 | Rev. Roger J. Gench |
| May 14 | Youth Led Service |
| May 21 | 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.

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 josephnthierry@gmail.com or 703-568-5158 for more information.

Tours: Meet a tour guide at the front of the Sanctuary immediately following the service to tour the building and learn about our congregation’s heritage, current ministry, and outreach.

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.

Families with Infants and children: Infants and toddlers 4 and under are welcome in the **Park Level nursery**. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. The nursery is open from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. During the services, **children’s worship bulletins**, crayons and books are available in the rear of the Sanctuary. During the sermon time, Pastor Alice and helpers offer **Worship Play** for ages 3-10.

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.

If you have been worshipping regularly at NYAPC and do not yet have a permanent nametag or have somehow mislaid your permanent nametag, please fill out a blank form with your name in the envelopes on either of the nametag kiosks in the narthex and the church entryway on the first floor. You will find your permanent nametag on one of the kiosks on one of the next two Sundays. Nametags are just one more way New York Avenue strives to be a welcoming presence in Washington!