

**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 Sciupac, 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
"Adventures in Prayer" 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, February 15 and 22 10 a.m., Lincoln Chapel
"Transitions in Living" Rev. Ann Davie and Miriam Dewhurst invite those considering where to live and whether to move to a continuing care retirement community to gather in the Lincoln Chapel.	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, February 15 - March 1 10 a.m., Room 127
Introductory and Intermediate Bell Ringing Building on last year's classes, participants will review the basics of ringing hand bells (remember plucking and martellato?) and rehearse music that can be presented as part of worship. The ability to read music is helpful, but adventurous non-readers are also welcome to take part.	
Adult Sunday School	Sundays, February 15 and March 1 10 a.m., Peter Marshall Hall
"Psalm 19: Rehearsal" Come move Psalm 19! These rehearsals are the product of "The Engaged Body" class led by Kathryn Sparks during the month of January. Even if you were not in the class, feel free to join us. We will be offering this liturgical danced prayer in worship during the month of March. All bodies welcome!	

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, spencerqib@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 or go to 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

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

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 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

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, and other fellowship or service activities (or to be added to the e-mail list), contact Richard Snyder (snyder.richard@gmail.com) or Benno Lauer (benno.lauer@gmail.com)

	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.
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Celebration of Worship

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

February 15, 2015
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Transfiguration of the Lord

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

Prelude

Samantha Scheff, organist

Introit

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Tune of Madrid, 1824

*** Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: O Lord, our God, we cry to You and You restore our health.

All: **Our healer washes us in the waters of baptism, cleanses us from all that enslaves, and gives us peace.**

Leader: O Lord, our God, we will give You thanks forever.

***Hymn**

#189 (verses 1-3),

"O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair"

Deo Gracias

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that without You, we are not whole. Forgive our foolish ways, reform our prideful selves, make us listen to the way of peace, remove from us the disbelief to which we cling. You are the One who liberates with a word and nourishes us with Your own body. Give us thankful hearts as we come to the waters of life with trust and hope. Amen.

Silent Confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

*Response

#582 ,
"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"
Glory to God
**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

2 Kings 2:1-12, page 317, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

"I Go to the Rock"
Dottie Rambo, arr. Larson

Time for Children

Second Lesson

Mark 9:2-9, pages 41-42, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"The Destroyer"
Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sacrament of Baptism

William Blair Stanek

*Sermon Hymn

#193(verses 1-3), "Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain"
Unser Herrscher

Concerns of the Church

Offertory

8:45 *The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around
the Table for Giving and Prayer
11:00 "O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord"
Christopher Tye

*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 Your gifts that live all around us in creation, O God, we give You thanks. For Your gifts that come from the servanthood of Your Son, O God, we give You praise. For the gifts that arise in our daily lives through the work of Your Holy Spirit, O God, we give You thanks. Make these gifts flourish on earth to Your glory. 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

#190, "Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory"
Geneva

- 1 Swiftly pass the clouds of glory,
heaven's voice, the dazzling light;
Moses and Elijah vanish;
Christ alone commands the height!
Peter, James, and John fall silent,
turning from the summit's rise
downward toward the shadowed valley
where their Lord has fixed His eyes.
- 2 Glimpsed and gone the revelation,
they shall gain and keep its truth,
not by building on the mountain
any shrine or sacred booth,
but by following the Savior
through the valley to the cross
and by testing faith's resilience
through betrayal, pain, and loss.
- 3 Lord, transfigure our perception
with the purest light that shines,
and recast our life's intentions
to the shape of Your designs,
till we seek no other glory
than what lies past Calvary's hill
and our living and our dying
and our rising by Your will.

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

Samantha Scheff, organist

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The flowers in the chancel today are given by **Robert Savage** to the glory of God and in memory of his mother, **Lucille Savage**.

We wish to thank **Samantha Scheff** for her participation in worship this morning. Samantha is studying organ with **Dr. Theodore M. Guerrant** at the University of Maryland.

	8:45	11:00
Liturgists	Meg House	James Turner
Tour Guide	Marilyn Seiber	Barry Tindall
Worship Play	Alice Tewell	

Counters' Schedule

February 17	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
February 24	Jim Martin and Barb Dornan
March 1	Adam Bain and ShuXian McKenna
March 10	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
March 15	Martha Davis and John Schultheis
March 24	Barb Dornan and Nancy Dickinson

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 or 703-568-5158 for more information.

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.

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.

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.

Our Youngest Worshipers: We love having all the babies in the church! Babies and children are always welcome in the services. If you would ever like a bit of privacy, or if your infants would like a break, parents -- and nursing mothers especially -- are very welcome to use the Worship Center space (directly across from the Sanctuary with the blue sofas). The Nursery is also open each Sunday from 8:30-12:30.