

Adult Sunday School	
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.	
Stand Your Ground	February 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:00 a.m., Room 511
In recent years, many of us have been shocked by violence against Black men and women, often by the police. As we have pondered and protested this violence, we have become aware of the systems of oppressions and society-endorsed racism all around us. Since the election, we have been shocked by the rise of white nationalist and alt-right groups. This class will use Kelly Brown Douglas' book, <i>Stand Your Ground: Black Bodies and the Justice of God</i> , to explore the historical, cultural and religious influences that undergird racism in our present context. Participants are encouraged to read the book, but a summary of the book will be provided, so, whether you read the book or not, come and participate in the discussion of this timely topic. This will be an intergenerational class (high school and up). We will start as a group each week and then break into smaller groups for discussion. This class is co-led by your pastors, Roger Gench and Alice Tewell.	
Cuba Partners Bible Study: "Turn the Other Cheek?? Love Your Enemies??"	February 19, 10:00 a.m., Room 520
Rev. Frances Taylor Gench will help us explore Jesus mandate in Matthew 5: 38-48 to turn the other cheek, to love our enemies. We will be sharing what we have learned with the members of our sister church, First Church Havana.	
Testimonies about Giving	February 19, 10:00 a.m., Room 127
NYA church members will share some of their experiences in giving to and receiving from the church. Cathy Schultheis will lead.	

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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. **Consider giving to Community Club through the Combined Federal Campaign #25839.**

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, robinsseleanor@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 Jan Maheras, the church accountant, Laura Asiala, 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.

February 5, 2017
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Communion

Prelude "Shall We Gather at the River"
Traditional, arr. Dale Wood

Introit "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
Ludwig Van Beethoven

* **Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We are all held in the hollow of God's hand, loved children of the universe,

People: **Born from the life that flows from God, freed to the fullness of God's creation with all of its beauty and variety.**

Leader: We are all worth dying, for in Christ Jesus all called to risen life in Christ's rising.

People: **The way of Jesus gives us footprints for our following. All of our trails and longings are known in the fragility of Christ's birth among us and the courage of Christ walking with us.**

Leader: We are all called to new things in the Spirit,

People: **Called to a new hope — a new courage — a new love.**

Leader: We are called to a new life where justice and worship are inseparable.

People: **Together let us worship. Together let us live. Together let be called the community of God.**

***Opening Hymn**

#301, (verses 1,3,4), "Let Us Build a House"

Two Oaks

Prayer of Confession

God of all people and all of creation, we confess that we have sinned against Your ways for us and for Your world. We confess that we have ignored the cries of Your people thinking that we are too busy, too tired, or too ill equipped to do Your work. We confess that we have long seen the suffering of Your people, and instead of standing up with courage, we have turned a blind eye to the most vulnerable amongst us. We confess that we as a church have been afraid, turning away from your practices of justice, focusing instead on the ways of the world. We pray that You would forgive us of our sins so that we might stand in strength as Your people. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Passing of the Peace**

*Please stand, if able

***Response**

#698, “Take, O Take Me as I Am”
Take Me As I Am
Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be
set your seal up on my heart
and live in me. (Repeat 3 times)

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Matthew 5:13-20, page 4, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“Kyrie,” from Mass in F Major
Hans Leo Hassler
Translation: Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Time for Children

Second Lesson

Isaiah 58:1-12, pages 647, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Seeking Mispat” Rev. Alice Tewell

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#525, “Let Us Break Bread Together”
Let Us Break Bread

Concerns of the Church

Offertory

“Sanctus,” from Mass in F Major
Hans Leo Hassler
Translation: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth, the
heavens and earth are full of thy glory, Hosanna in the highest.

***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, as countless ones before us, we offer ourselves in love and service to You and to the fulfilling of Your will on earth. With Your people of the ages, we hear the cry of the suffering and the voice of Jesus telling us to administer mercy, kindness, and justice to the sick, to the imprisoned, and the oppressed. Receive these gifts with the dedication of our lives toward Your work of justice for the world. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

Service of Communion

Invitation to the Table

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.

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

It is right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe.....Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

Response #595, “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Argentine Santo
Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord!

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. You sent him into this world to satisfy the longings of Your people for a Savior, to bring freedom to the captives of sin, and to establish justice for the oppressed... 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:

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.

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. 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

Gracious God, we offer our thanks to You. By this broken bread may we each be restored for the work yet to come. By this shared cup may we each be claimed for the proclamation of Your Kingdom. At this shared table may we be united as children of Your promise, children of Your word, dying and made new again, sent boldly together into the world as servants of Your peace. Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

#307, “God of Grace and God of Glory”
CWM Rhondda

- 1 God of grace and God of glory,**
on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us**
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.
- 3 Cure thy children's warring madness;**
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

- 4 Save us from weak resignation**
to the evils we deplore.

Let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
-serving thee whom we adore,
-serving thee whom we adore.

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude “In Thee is Gladness”
In dir ist Prelude, arr. Dale Wood

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in memory of **Aleita and Palmer Hogenson** on the occasion of their February 2 wedding anniversary by their son, Peter Hogenson.

The red rose on the chancel table is to welcome and celebrate the birth, on January 20, 2017, of **Joshua Michael HanJun Choi**, son of Joon and Heather, and brother of Anna.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for the year ahead in 2017, for peace and the peacemakers, jobs for the jobless, homes for the homeless, food for the hungry, healthcare for the sick, and always tolerance and understanding for others.

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Kristin Ford	Tamara Saltman
Tour Guide	Marilyn Seiber	Len Shabman
Worship Play	Courtney Spearman	Karen Dunlap

Preaching Schedule	
February 12	Rev. Roger J. Gench
February 19	Rev. Roger J. Gench
February 26	Rev. Roger J. Gench

Counters	
February 5	Barbara Dornan and Martha Davis
February 14	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
February 19	John Schultheis and Martha Davis
February 26	ShuXian McKenna and Adam Bain

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.

Garage Parking Extended to 3:00 p.m. today. 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.

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.

Embodied Prayer in Today’s Worship: Take, O Take Me

Offering ourselves to God in worship as a community can take on an additional layer of meaning when we involve our entire body in our prayer and praise. This Sunday and for several more upcoming Sundays we will practice “Take O Take Me’ following the exchange of peace as a way to deepen our connection with God – through our physicality.