

**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

<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>Sundays, January 25 – February 1 10 a.m., Peter Marshall Hall</b>
<b>"The Engaged Body"</b> This class offers a chance for the community to discuss and reflect upon embodied prayer and dance in worship, in light of our congregation's growing use of these art forms as ministry. Biblical, theological and historical contexts will be considered in a lecture-discussion-demonstration format. The first two classes will center around discussion with opportunities to gently engage the body in prayer. In the second two classes we will play with Psalm 19 and discover how the body and creative movement can be vehicles for deepening our experience of God's Word. The hope is that a small group from this class will want to continue practicing Psalm 19 and prepare it as an offering in worship during the season of Lent. Led by Kathryn Sparks.	
<b>Adult Sunday School</b>	<b>Sundays, January 25 – February 1 10 a.m., Room 511</b>
"A Theology of Eating" We creatures can't live without eating, so food and eating meals pervade the Biblical narrative. What we eat, who has enough to eat and who does not, and with whom we eat are all matters of great theological import. Rev. Roger Gench will lead a discussion of Norman Wirzba's book on the theology of eating, <u>Food and Faith: A Theology of Eating</u> , in preparation for Professor Wirzba's visit in February as McClendon Scholar in Residence. Copies of the book are available at the front desk (\$15).	
<b>Adult Sunday School</b>	<b>Sunday, February 8 10 a.m., Room 511</b>
<b>"Eating Toward Justice and Reconciliation"</b> Norman Wirzba, Professor of Theology and Ecology of Duke Divinity School and McClendon Scholar in Residence, will present this lecture as the culmination of his weekend with us. The weekend's focus will be on "Food and Eating and the Life of Faith." A special congregational meal will be held in Peter Marshall Hall after the 11 a.m. service.	
<b>Adult Sunday School</b>	<b>Sunday, February 15 and 22 10 a.m., Lincoln Chapel</b>
<b>"Next Steps in Retirement Living - What are some Choices?"</b> Rev. Ann Davie will offer a time for discussion among those of us considering where or whether to move as we enter our later retirement years. If you are wrestling with this difficult topic, for yourself, a parent, or relative, you are invited to join others for these sessions.	

**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](mailto: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](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))

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# Celebration of Worship

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

**January 25, 2015**  
**8:45 and 11:00 a.m.**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Prelude** "Andante in A Major," from **Suite No. 6**  
Felix Mendelssohn

**Introit** "Morning Has Broken"  
Traditional Gaelic Melody

\* **Lincoln Chimes**

## I. The Community Gathers for Worship

\* **Call to Worship** *(written by Rev. Kathleen Sheets, for re:worship)*

Leader: To the fisherman Jesus said:

**All: "Follow me and I will make you fish for people."**

Leader: To the tax collector Jesus said:

**All: "Follow me."**

Leader: To the rich man Jesus said:

**All: "Go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."**

Leader: At the last supper Jesus said:

**All: "Follow me."**

Leader: To you and to me and to all of us Jesus says:

**All: Follow me.**

\*Hymn

#726 (verses 1-4), "Will You Come and Follow Me"  
Kelvingrove

**Prayer of Confession** *(adapted from prayers from the Iona Community)*

God of justice and mercy, You have held us, called us, and challenged us, yet we confess that we have not followed You. God of justice, keep us silent when the only words we have to utter are ones of judgment, exclusion or prejudice. Give us power of speech to resist injustice, oppression and hate, not only on our own behalf but for others who are not heard. God of mercy, give us courage to comfort, to uphold, and to strengthen so that we might be a glimpse of Your love to those in need. Give us voices of praise to celebrate each other and the glories of Your creation believing that we all live within Your blessing. Show us how to be peacemakers and restorers of the streets. Amen.

## Silent Confession

### \*Assurance of Pardon

### \*Response

#726 (verse 5), "Will You Come and Follow Me"  
Kelvingrove  
Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In Your company I'll go  
where Your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.

### \*Affirmation of Faith (Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal)

## II. The Community Hears the Word of God

### First Lesson

Mark 1:14-20, page 33, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Anthem

"Be Thou My Vision"  
arr. Hunter

### Time for Children

### Second Lesson

Jonah 3:1-5,10, Jonah 4: 1-4, page 811, NRSV  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Christopraxis"  
Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

### \*Sermon Hymn

#752, "Dona nobis pacem"

### Ordination and Installation of Officers

*Insert*

### Concerns of the Church

### Offertory

8:45 \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around  
the Table for Giving and Prayer  
11:00 "Ubi Caritas"  
Maurice Duruflé  
*Translation:*  
*Where charity and love are, God is there.*  
*Christ's love has gathered us into one.*  
*Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.*  
*Let us fear, and let us love the living God.*  
*And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.*

### \*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 (Mother Teresa)

Here I am, Lord – body, heart, and soul. Grant that  
with Your love, I may be big enough to reach the  
world, and small enough to be at one with You.

### 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.

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

### \*Sending Hymn

#749, "Come! Live in the Light!"  
We Are Called

#### 1 Come! Live in the light!

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!  
We are called to be light for the kingdom,  
to live in the freedom of the city of God!

*Refrain* We are called to act with justice.  
We are called to love tenderly.  
We are called to serve one another,  
to walk humbly with God.

#### 2 Come! Open your heart!

Show your mercy to all those in fear!  
We are called to be hope for the hopeless,  
so all hatred and violence will be no more! *Refrain*

#### 3 Sing! Sing a new song!

Sing of that great day when all will be one!  
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other  
as sisters and brothers united in love! *Refrain*

### \*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

### \*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

### Postlude

"Postlude in C Major"  
Pietro Yon

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	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Amy Gillespie	Beth Braxton
Tour Guide	John Davies	Len Shabman
Worship Play		

### 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.

**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.

**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 (diagonally across from the front of the Sanctuary, on the left, with blue sofas). The Nursery is also open each Sunday from 8:30-12:30.

**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 Sunday mornings.

**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.