

Summer Schedule through August 31
 Adult Education Classes at 9 a.m.
 Worship at 10 a.m.

Adult Sunday School

Adventures in Prayer	Today, 9:00 a.m., Lincoln Parlor
Maybe you are new to prayer. Maybe prayer is as natural to you as breathing. This class, meeting in the Lincoln Chapel at 9am, is for everyone and anyone who takes prayer seriously. We learn together and we pray together, and starting on June 28, we will begin to explore spiritual practices, using Marjorie Thompson's <u>Soul Feast</u> as a guide. (July 19: Ch. 3. July 26: Ch. 4.) All questions, joys, and concerns are welcome. Come when you can.	
"Trigger: The Ripple Effect of Gun Violence."	Today, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
This powerful hour-long documentary attempts to shift the conversation about gun violence prevention to one in which it becomes a public health issue viewed from many perspectives. Discussion led by Karen Milam.	
"Guest Speaker: Myriam Alvarez of 1st Church Havana"	July 26, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana recently celebrated the 20th anniversary of its mission program, "Your Friendly Telephone." Psychologist on staff, Myriam Alvarez, has been the psychologist directing and developing the program which offers free telephone hot-line and walk-in consultation services at the church open to everyone, children to seniors. First Havana's Friendly Telephone is the first in Cuba -- and as far as we know -- in Latin America, to offer a free, church-run, professional hot-line service.	
"From the New York Avenue Archives: George Docherty Preaches"	August 2, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
Dr. George Docherty was Senior Pastor of the New York Avenue Church from 1951 to 1976. In his long and illustrious ministry, Rev. Docherty was noted and loved for his colorful and powerful sermons. This class will include a sermon at New York Avenue from later in his life that captures some of the spirit of his ministry among us. Time for conversation and comment will follow.	

Preaching Schedule

One worship service at 10 a.m. (from May 24 through September 6)	
July 19	Rev. Roger J. Gench
July 26	Rev. Roger J. Gench
August 2	Rev. Roger J. Gench
August 9	Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church

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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

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, 8:15-9:45 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, 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)

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.

	Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
	Pastor:	Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D.
	Associate Pastor:	Alice Rose Tewell, 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.
		Frances Taylor Gench, M. Div., Ph.D.
	Director of Dance:	Linda LeSourd Lader, M. Div. Kathryn Sparks, M.T.S.



Celebration of Worship

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

July 19, 2015
10:00 a.m.

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”
 Resignation from Southern Harmony, 1835
 Setting by Dale Wood

Introit

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”
 Ken Medema
 Martha Davis, Soloist

***Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

***Call to Worship** *(Based on Psalm 85:8-13)*

Leader: We who were once far off have been brought near,

All: For Christ Jesus is our peace.

Leader: You blessed us with Your Spirit,

All: For Christ Jesus is our peace.

Leader: You have reconciled us to God and humanity,

All: For Christ Jesus is our peace.

Leader: You made us into a dwelling place for God,

All: For Christ Jesus is our cornerstone.

***Opening Hymn**

#372, (verses 1-4) “O for a World”
 Azmon

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, You welcomed Jew and Gentile into Your peace, creating one unified humanity where brokenness once reigned. But we often find ourselves reinforcing divisions when we should be building bridges. We exclude those who do not look or act or live as we do. Your church was built for all, but we find ourselves closing in rather than reaching out to others. Help us to remember that all are reconciled to You through the cross always striving to act in Your ways and to do Your will. We pray all these things in the name of Christ Jesus. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

**Please stand, if able*

*Response

#372, (verse 5) “O for a World”

Azmon

**O for a world preparing for
God’s glorious reign of peace,
where time and tears will be no more,
and all but love will cease.**

*A Brief Statement of Faith

(Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal)

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

2 Samuel 7:1-14a pages 268-269, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“A Woman and a Coin”

Life Restored

Fred Kimball Graham, 1995

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Ephesians 2:11-22, page 181, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Brought Near”

Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#74, “When God Restored Our Common Life”

Resignation

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens”

Holy Manna from the Columbian Harmony, 1825

Setting by Dale Wood

*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

**Loving God, we seek to follow Your example of
compassionate love and generosity. We are thankful for the
blessings You have showered upon us, and seek to extend
our gifts beyond ourselves. Use these gifts for Your glory
and the glory of Your people, and use us, body and soul, in
the fulfillment of your work in the world. 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.**

*Passing of the Peace

*Sending Hymn

#753, “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

Prayer of St. Francis

1 Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love.

Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord,

and where there’s doubt, true faith in you.

2 Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there’s despair in life, let me bring hope.

Where there is darkness, only light,

and where there’s sadness, ever joy.

3 O, Master, grant that I may never seek

much to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love with all my soul.

4 Make me a channel of your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

in giving of ourselves that we receive,

and in dying that we’re born to eternal life.

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

"Allegro” from Symphony in D Major, Op. 2, No. 5

William Boyce

*The liturgy for today’s service was written by NYAPC Summer Pastoral Intern, Emma Marshall.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Toni Davenport (December 17, 1928 - July 1, 2015)** by her family.

The Peace Candle on the chancel reminds us to pray for the people and refugees in South Sudan who again are suffering and dying from a civil war, hunger, and disease.

Service	10:00 a.m.
Liturgists	Karen Milam
Tour Guide	John O’Brien
Worship Play	Molly Smith and Karen Dunlap

	Counters
July 19	John Schultheis and Martha Davis
July 28	Jim Martin and Barbara Dornan
August 2	Dan Stokes and Adam Bain
August 9	Martha Davis and ShuXian McKenna
August 16	Dan Stokes and Barbara Dornan
August 23	John Shultheis 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.

Please stay for coffee and the Worship and Music listening sessions in Peter Marshall Hall after the 10 a.m. service.

Parking is extended to 3:00 p.m. today.

There will be a congregational meeting following the 10 a.m. service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers of the church and receiving a brief report from the Audit Committee.

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.

Families with Infants and children: We have recently experienced a flood on the park level. While the regular nursery remains mostly unaffected, we are moving the nursery until the flooding is resolved. **Infants and toddlers under 4 are welcome in Pastor Alice’s office and outer office outside of the sanctuary.** Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. The nursery is open from 8:45 am - 12 noon. There is a **private bathroom** off of this space especially for families with young children. There is a changing pad, and extra diapers for your use. 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 in the library on the 1st floor for** ages 4-9. During this worship play time, the children are invited to pray, listen to stories from the Bible and related picture books, sing a song or do a simple craft. At the end of Worship Play, the children are offered a peanut free snack.

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.