

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 9 a.m., 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.	
"Guest Speaker: Myriam Alvarez of 1st Church Havana"	Today, 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.	
From the New York Avenue Archives: Roger Gench Preaches"	August 9, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
Dr. Roger Gench has been Senior Pastor of New York Avenue Church since 2002. He remains one of the most moving and persuasive preachers in this city. We will hear one of Roger's finest sermons even though he'll be in Colorado at the time. Time for conversation and comment will follow.	

Preaching Schedule

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

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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, 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 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. Linda LeSourd Lader, M. Div.
	Director of Dance:	Kathryn Sparks, M.T.S.



Celebration of Worship

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

July 26, 2015
10:00 a.m.

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

“Interlude”
 Christopher Uehlein

Introit

“Deep River,” Traditional Arr.
 Moses Hogan
 Ian Elder, Soloist

***Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

***Call to Worship** *(based on Psalms 145:10-18)*

Leader: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O Lord,

All: And all Your faithful shall bless You.

Leader: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom.

All: Your kingdom endures throughout all generations.

Leader: The Lord is gracious in all his deeds.

All: The Lord upholds those who are falling.

Leader: The Lord is just in all his ways,

All: And the Lord raises up those who are bowed down.

***Opening Hymn**

#749, (verses 1-3) “Come! Live in the Light!”
 We Are Called

Prayer of Confession *(based on 2 Samuel 12:1-4)*

Lord of All, though we may be rich in things, we come before You today poor in spirit. You call us to trust in Your grace, but still we covet what is not ours. Rather than giving open-handedly, we keep our gifts for ourselves and fail to share our blessings with our neighbors. O Lord, ignite generosity within us. Enrich our spirits so that we are able to share our blessings and sacrifice for others. We pray this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who died and rose again for all people. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

**Please stand, if able*

***Response**

#591, "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!"

Halle, Halle

Oh God, to whom shall we go?

You alone have the words of life.

Let Your words be our prayer

and the song we sing: hallelujah, hallelujah!

Refrain

Halle, halle hallelujah!

Halle, halle hallelujah!

Halle, halle hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

***A Brief Statement of Faith**

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Galatians 1:1-9 page 176, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

"Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth," from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

Ian Elder, Soloist

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Galatians 2:15-21, page 177, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Another Gospel?"

Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

***Sermon Hymn**

#493, "Now There Is No Male or Female"

Omni Die (Trier)

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Adagio Cantabile"

Giuseppe Tartini

***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**

(based on John 6:1-21)

O God, You have the power to transform simple and sparse fare into a feast for thousands. We pray that You might do the same with the gifts that we offer today. Bring Your power into these gifts and empower them, and us, to be spiritual food for the hungry. 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**

#318, "In Christ There Is No East or West"

St. Peter

1 In Christ there is no East or West,

In him no south or north;

but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

2 In Christ shall true hearts

everywhere their high communion find;

his service is the golden cord

close binding human kind.

3 Join hands disciples of the faith,

Whatever your race may be!

All children of the living God

Are surely kin to me.

4 In Christ now meet both east and west,

in him meet south or north.

All Christly souls are one in Him

Throughout the whole wide earth.

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

"Jubilation"

James Denton

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

We wish to thank Ian Elder for his participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the **volunteers who serve the 7-2-9 Club** each Wednesday by members and friends of the congregation through their contribution to the Flower Fund.

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.

10:00 a.m. Service	
Liturgists	Matthew Asada
Tour Guide	John Davies
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap

Counters	
July 26	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.

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.