

Adult Sunday School	
Gathered for Prayer	Today, 9:20 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.	
Njoro and Community Club Students: A look backwards and forwards	Today, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
What do the students of our Community Club and the students of our Orphan and Vulnerable Children program have in common? What is their history with The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church? What will be their relationship in 2030? Economically impoverished students in Njoro, Kenya East Africa and economically impoverished students in Washington, DC, USA both struggle with similar circumstances and yet are worlds apart. Together in the class we will look at the history of these two groups NYAPC and our responsibility to the students for the future of our global community. Rev. Beth Braxton and Shamika Bradley, Co-Director of Community Club, will lead.	
Music in Exile	June 18, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
<i>Music in Exile</i> founders, Alex Ebsary and Sasha Ingber, will lead a class reporting on their efforts to record the music of refugee musicians from Iraq and Syria. With support from a NYAPC Peace & Justice grant, Alex and Sasha traveled to Lincoln, Nebraska in early June to record the music and songs of displaced Yezidis of northern Iraq. This followed their trip to the Kurdistan Region of Iraq in October 2016 to record music of Iraqi and Syrian refugees. They will report on their trips and we will hear some of the Yezidi and other Iraqi and Syrian music that they recorded. Alex is a Presbyterian from Buffalo, NY and a Middle East expert. Sasha is a multimedia journalist. <i>Music in Exile</i> is a DC-based non-profit that documents musicians who have been displaced from their homes by war and violence.	
All Children/Youth Sunday School	
Today, 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m., Room 520	

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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](mailto: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](mailto:directors@communityclub.org) or go to [www.communityclub.org](http://www.communityclub.org) for more information.

**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](mailto: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](http://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, [robinsleanor@hotmail.com](mailto: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](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, or other fellowship or service activities (or to be added to the e-mail list), contact Helen Anthony ([shanthon@ncsu.edu](mailto:shanthon@ncsu.edu)), Phil Bolles ([philbolles@gmail.com](mailto:philbolles@gmail.com)), or Katherine Leiden ([keleiden@gmail.com](mailto: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 Lance Jameson, the church book keeper, Rachel Browning and Kim Johnson, 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/1OFPh6r>. If you are interested in signing up for one (or more!) services, please contact Alison Kootstra Nowak at [amkootstra@gmail.com](mailto:amkootstra@gmail.com) or Paul Dornan at [pbdornan@aol.com](mailto:pbdornan@aol.com).



## Celebration of Worship

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

June 11, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Trinity Sunday

#### Prelude

"Children of the Heavenly Father"  
Dale Wood

#### Introit

"O God of Every Nation"  
Tune of Llangloffan

#### \*Lincoln Chimes

### I. The Community Gathers for Worship

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us worship God, the creator whose splendor clothes the world in light and illumines even the shadows of our hearts.

All: Let us worship the Spirit who refreshes as the wind and warms as flame, dwells within, prompting dreams and visions.

Leader: Let us worship Jesus the Christ whose words set the world to rejoicing, whose touch brought healing to the broken, and who even today summons us to joy and service.

All: Let us sing praise to the triune God of hope, love and mercy!

#### \*Opening Hymn

#1, "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"  
Nicaea

#### Prayer of Confession

O God, our fears and prejudices run deep. Sometimes we can only see our own point of view. We judge from our point of view. We stick with those who are like us, rarely venturing outside our comfort zones. We do not hear those crying for justice, those struggling for the basics of home, health, water, and work. We blame those who are suffering and in need, instead of standing by them. We deny the power of Your gospel to unite us with those who are different from us. Lord, give us eyes to see and ears to hear. Open us to new possibilities of life for all of Your people, and use us to enact the new life given in Christ Jesus our Lord in whose name we pray. Amen

#### Silent Confession

#### Assurance of Pardon

#### Passing of the Peace

\*Please stand, if able

## \*Response

#475, “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”  
Nettleton

**Come, thou Fount of every blessing;  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it,  
mount of God’s unchanging love!**

## \*Affirmation of Faith from *The Belhar Confession*

**We believe  
that God has revealed God’s self as the one who wishes to bring  
about justice and true peace among people;  
that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity,  
is in a special way the God of the destitute,  
the poor and the wronged  
that God calls the church to follow God in this;  
for God brings justice to the oppressed  
and gives bread to the hungry;  
that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the  
blind;  
that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger,  
helps orphans and widows  
and blocks the path of the ungodly;  
that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit  
the orphans and the widows in their suffering;  
that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good  
and to seek the right;  
that the church must therefore stand by people  
in any form of suffering and need,  
which implies, among other things,  
that the church must witness against  
and strive against any form of injustice,  
so that justice may roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.**

## II. The Community Hears the Word of God

### First Lesson

James 1:17-27, page 215, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Anthem

“Bonse Aba”

Traditional Zambian

Purev Arslanbaatar, Soloist and Conductor

Translation: All who sing have the right to be called children of God.

**Time for Children and Their Friends** Marsha Renwanz and Bob Braxton

### Second Lesson

Matthew 28:16-20, page 32, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

“*Nendeni, Go...!*”

Rev. Beth Braxton

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

### \*Sermon Hymn

#746, “Send Me, Jesus”

Thuma Mina

### Concerns of the Church

**Moment for Mission** “Njoro Mission” Jim Turner and Sarah Williamson

### Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory

“Tshotsholoza”

South African, arr. Ames

Translation: Go forward to these mountains, you are running  
towards the mountains, the train is coming to South Africa.

### \*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 of all blessings, source of all life, giver of all grace, accept  
these gifts we offer to make a difference in Your world, to bring  
Your light to darkness, Your hope to desperation and Your  
sustenance to those in need. We thank You for this day:- one  
more day to bear witness to Your commandments, for one more  
opportunity to work for justice for the orphan and the vulnerable  
in our community and world. Use us in Your service always, in  
the power of Your Holy Spirit we pray. 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

#853, “We Are Marching in the Light of God”

Siyahamba

- 1 We are marching in the light of God;  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God;  
We are marching in the light of, the light of God.  
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,  
We are marching in the light of, the light of God.  
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,  
We are marching in the light of God.**
- 2, 3, 4 We are dancing..., We are praying..., We are singing...  
Si-ya-hamb’ e-ku-kha-nyen’ kwen-khos’,  
Si-ya-hamb’ e-ku-kha-nyen’ kwen-khos’.  
Si-ya-hamb’ e-ku-kha-nyen’ kwen-khos’,  
Si-ya-hamb’ e-ku-kha-nyen’ kwen-,  
kha- nyen’ kwen-khos’.**

### \*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

### \*Congregational Response

**Alleluia! Amen!**

## Postlude

“Rondeau”

Jean-Joseph Mouret

**We wish to thank Purev Arslanbaatar and Daniel Stokes** for their leadership in worship this morning while Dr. Engebretson is in Charleston, SC, lecturing for the Smithsonian Institution at the Spoleto USA Festival. This is his 20th year leading this lecture series!

**The flowers in the chancel today** are given to the glory of God by Robert Savage in memory of his father, the **Reverend O. L. Savage.**

**The Peace Candle in the chancel** reminds us to pray for victims and their families who have been subject to intolerance and hate crimes because of race, religion, ethnicity, or being “the other”—and for those who have the courage and love to stand up to such crimes and intolerance.

10:00 a.m.	
<b>Liturgist</b>	Kathryn Sparks
<b>Tour Guide</b>	Paul Dornan
<b>Worship Play</b>	Rev. Alice Tewell and Sarah-Dianne Jones

Counters	
<b>June 13</b>	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
<b>June 20</b>	Barbara Dornan and Jim Martin
<b>June 25</b>	Adam Bain and Dan Stokes

Preaching Schedule	
<b>June 18</b>	Rev. Alice Tewell
<b>June 25</b>	Kelly Brown Douglass, McClendon Scholar in Residence
<b>July 2</b>	Rev. Roger J. Gench
<b>July 9</b>	Rev. Roger J. Gench

### 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 [josephnthierry@gmail.com](mailto:josephnthierry@gmail.com) or 703-568-5158 for more information.

**Tours:** Meet a tour guide at the front of the Sanctuary following the service to tour the building and learn about our congregation’s heritage, current ministry, and outreach.

**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.

**Families with Infants and children:** Infants and toddlers 4 and under are welcome in the **Park Level nursery.** Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. The nursery is open from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. 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** for ages 3-10.

**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.

**If you have been worshipping regularly** at NYAPC and do not yet have a permanent nametag or have mislaid your permanent nametag, please fill out a blank form with your name in the envelopes on either of the nametag kiosks in the narthex and the church entryway on the first floor. You will find your nametag on either kiosk on one of the next two Sundays. Nametags are just one more way NYAPC strives to be a welcoming presence in Washington!