

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 <i>Soul Feast</i> as a guide. All questions, joys, and concerns are welcome. Come when you can.	
"Children in Second Kings: Prophetic, Blessed, Collateral"	Today 9:00 a.m., Room 511
This four-week series led by Reverend Paula Hall of Howard Divinity School examines the role of children in the Book of Second Kings wherein young ones assume a variety of roles. Our study will focus on three children's roles in this text. In the first, children are used as collateral for debt. In the second, children are seen to be a blessing/miracle from God. Finally, the child assumes a role in the office of the prophet. This new way to understand youthful and child characters within the Hebrew Bible raises a modern question: Do we in the church see children similarly or have we de-valued our children to the status of non-contributors in our spiritual lives?	
"From the New York Avenue Archives: Peter Marshall Preaches"	July 5, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
The Rev. Peter Marshall was Pastor of the New York Avenue Church from 1937 to 1949 and was Chaplain of the Senate. Catherine Marshall's book, "A Man Called Peter", and the movie by the same title brought Marshall's inspirational life to millions throughout the world. This class will present two audios of his moving sermons; time for conversation and comment will follow.	
July 12: "From the New York Avenue Archives: Protesting the War in Vietnam"	July 12, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
This class will include audios from several services of protest held at New York Avenue during the Vietnam War. Among those offering prayers, meditations and sermons will be Dr. George Docherty, Rabbi Abraham Heschel, the Rev. William Sloane Coffin and the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Time for conversation and comment will follow.	

Preaching Schedule

One worship service at 10 a.m. (from May 24 through September 6)	
June 28	Rev. Roger J. Gench
July 5	Rev. Roger J. Gench
July 12	Rev. Alice Rose Tewell
July 19	Rev. Roger J. Gench

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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. Community Club will resume September 3. 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, 8:15-10:30 a.m., for hymn singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of umbrellas, rain gear, clothing, toiletries, and transportation money are needed. Contact Eleanor Robins, 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, 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.

June 28, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

"Pastorale," from La Caccia for Four Flutes

Georg Telemann

NYA Flute Ensemble:

Jack Anderson, Mary Anderson, Beth Braxton, Meg House,

Beth Law and Meg Neill

Introit

"Shall We Gather at the River"

Hanson Place, Robert Lowry

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

Leader: O God, Holy Spirit, whose breath gives life to the world

All: And whose voice is heard in the soft breeze,

Leader: We need Your strength and wisdom.

All: Come to us and among us;

Leader: Come as the wind and cleanse us.

All: We join with Your Creation and with each other

Leader: To sing the song of the stars;

All: To rejoice in the sunlight; and to refresh the air.

*Opening Hymn

#796, (verses 1-4) "We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

Land of Rest

Prayer of Confession

(Adapted from Uniting Church in Australia Services for Healing)

Lord Jesus Christ, You used Your hands to heal, to lift up, to bless, to sow kindness and tenderness in desolate lives. Forgive us when we keep our hands at our sides when we could be reaching out in love. You used Your hands to welcome and to include those who were considered outcasts in the society of Your time. Forgive us when we clench our fists and exclude people simply because they are different from us. Show us how to embrace every person as Your beloved child, created in Your image. Draw us closer to You, O God of mercy. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

**Please stand, if able*

***Response**

#796, (verse 5) “We Come to You for Healing, Lord”
Land of Rest
**We come to You, O loving Lord,
in our distress and pain,
in trust that through our nights and days
Your grace will heal, sustain.**

***A Brief Statement of Faith** (Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal)

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Mark 5: 21-34, page 37, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“Brother James’ Air (The Lord is my Shepherd)”
James Leith Macbeth Bain

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Mark 5:35-43, pages 37-38, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Touched” Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

***Sermon Hymn**

#792, “There is Balm in Gilead”
Balm in Gilead

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission “Vision2020” Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“River in Judea”
John Leavitt

***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**

Thank you, God, for the opportunity to share in Your creative and restorative work among people. Through Your blessings, we have much to give. These offerings express our gratitude and our aspiration to be more fully Your own people. 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**

#721, “Lord, You have Come to the Lakeshore”
Pescador de Hombres

Refrain

**O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me,
And while smiling have spoken my name;
Now my boat’s left on the shoreline behind me.
By Your side I will seek other seas.**

- 1 Lord, You have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
You only asked me to follow humbly. *Refrain***
- 2 You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;
You will find there, my nets and labor. *Refrain***
- 3 You need my hands full of caring,
through my labors to give others rest
and constant love that keeps on loving. *Refrain***
- 4 You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,
my loving friend, as thus you call me. *Refrain***

***Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

"Now Thank We All Our God"
Johann Crüger

We wish to thank our NYA Flute Ensemble for their participation in worship this morning. “Shall we Gather at the River,” by Baptist minister Robert Lowry was originally entitled “Hanson Place,” referring to the Hanson Place Baptist Church in Brooklyn where he served as pastor. “Brother James’ Air” was written by James Leith Macbeth Bain, a Scottish minister and prolific religious author from the early 1900’s who was known as “Brother James” in his time.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in memory of **Nancy Biddle Doan** from Robert Doan, and Kathryn Doan, Donald Kelly, and Elizabeth Kelly-Doan.

The Peace Candle on the chancel reminds us to pray for the victims, families and people of Charleston, SC, who are coping with the shooting tragedy at Emanuel AME Church.

	10:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Eric Slaughter
Tour Guide	John Gagosian
Worship Play	Bridget Sproles, Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell

	Counters
July 7	Jim Martin and Barbara Dornan
July 14	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
July 19	John Schultheis and Martha Davis
July 28	Jim Martin and Barbara Dornan

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 in the Narthex after the 10 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 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.