

Adult Sunday School	
Gathered for Prayer	Today, 10:20 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.	
Today, 10:00 a.m. Room 511 Living as a Refugee in Iraq Mac Skelton, Fellow, Center for Medical Humanities & Social Medicine, Johns Hopkins University & School of Medicine <i>Death & the Afterlife Series</i>	
Sundays, December 3 and 10, 10:00 a.m. Reflections on Advent: Ancient and Modern Church History, Part 1&2 Phil Bolles, New York Avenue Presbyterian Church	

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Opportunities for Service

7-2-9 ClAub – Enjoy a Wednesday evening (yes, from 7 to 9 p.m.), September through 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 – 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 or go to 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 to learn more. Shopping at Amazon? Be sure to select the NYAF as your charity-of-choice at 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, 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@gmail.com.

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@gmail.com Beth DuMez, bethdumez@erols.com or Barry Tindall, barrytindall@verizon.net

NYAPC's Young Adults – For more information about Faith on Tap, Bible Study, other fellowship and service activities, or to be added to the e-mail list, contact Helen Anthony (shanthon@ncsu.edu) or Taylor Allison (taylorallison93@gmail.com).

NYAPC Parent's Listserve – For more information about ministry for infants to high schoolers, or to be added to the email list, contact Associate Pastor Alice Tewell (alice.tewell@nyapc.org).

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/1OFP6r>. If you are interested in signing up for one (or more!) services, please contact Alison Kootstra Nowak at amkootstra@gmail.com or Paul Dornan at pbdornanp@aol.com.



Celebration of Worship

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

November 19, 2017

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude

"We Gather Together"
Tune of Kremser

Introit

"O Word of God Incarnate"
Tune of Munich

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

(Based on Psalm 107)

Leader: Give thanks for the Lord's goodness,
God's love is steadfast and forever.

All: **God has gathered us from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south, and rescued us from trouble.**

Leader: When we wandered as if in the desert, hungry and thirsty for God,

All: **God heard our cries and revived our fainting souls, leading us home.**

Leader: Give thanks for God's steadfast love,
for the wonderful things God has done and is doing for us.

All: **God's grace satisfies the hunger in our hearts, and fills us with compassion, hope, and peace. We will praise God's name always! AMEN**

*Opening Hymn

#366, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
Hyfrydol

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Creator, You have given us so much, but too often we take those gifts for granted, or as something to which we are entitled. You call us to live in caring community, but too often we place our wants and needs first, with those of others a distant second. You call us to share Your gifts with the world around us, but we are worried that there may not be enough, and our worrying gets in the way of our sharing. For all the times when we mistreat and misuse Your gifts, for all the times we assume that we get what we have by ourselves, forgive us and lead us back to the path of wisdom. In all these things we pray, Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response

#227, "Jesus, Remember Me"
Remember Me

Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me

when you come in to your kingdom.

*Please stand, if able

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Matthew 25:14-30, page 27, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Laudate Nomen Domini”

Christopher Tye

Translation: Praise the name of the Lord, you servants of the Lord; from the rising of the sun to its setting. The decrees of God are just, and delight the heart: praise God, rulers and all people.

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, page 193, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “Dynamic” Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#664, “Morning Has Broken”

Bunessan

Reception of New Members

11:00 a.m. See insert.

Concerns of the Church

Moment for Mission

Capital Appeal

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

11:00 a.m. “Come, Ye Thankful People Come”

Traditional, arr. Wilberg

*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

We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us. In the upside-down world of the gospel, we measure our wealth not by what we have, but what we can give away. Let us give away generously, in this offering, to bless Your church, Your people, Your creation. 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

#643, “Now Thank We All Our God”

Nun danket alle Gott

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices; who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven, to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given: the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore, the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Nun danket alle Gott

**The liturgy for this service is from Progressive christianity.org, re-worship and the United Church of Christ.*

The bounty table in the chancel today represents the blessings of the harvest season and our thanksgiving to God for the gifts of the earth. The whole earth is full of God’s glory.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray and give thanks this Thanksgiving Week for the abundant blessing we share with family and friends, and to pray for those who are alone, without family, or are grieving loss this Thanksgiving.

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Paul Dornan	John Quinn, Jr.
Tour Guide	David Powell	Len Shabman
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell	Rev. Alice Tewell

Counters	
November 19	Dan Stokes and Martha Davis
November 28	Barbara Dornan and Jim Martin
December 3	ShuXian McKenna and Adam Bain
December 10	Martha David and John Schultheis

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 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.