

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.	
Crucifying Violence and the Justice of God	June 25, 9:00 a.m. PMH
Informal Dialogue with Professor Kelly Brown Douglas, McClendon Scholar in Residence	
Two Week Book Study Led by Rev. Gench	July 2 and 9, 9:00 a.m., Room 511
Brian Bantam's "The Death of Race: Building a New Christianity in a Racial World."	
All Children/Youth Sunday School	
Today, 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m., Park Level	
Young Adult Summer Bible Study	
Young Adults are planning a summer Bible Study! We will be meeting Sundays after the service for an hour-long study at 11:30 a.m. in the youth room (Park Level). Possible study topics will be discussed at the meeting. Contact Taylor Allison (taylorallison93@gmail.com) or Corinne Crews (corinne.e.hester@gmail.com) with any questions.	

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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

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, 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 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).

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 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.

June 25, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude

Adagio Cantabile
Giuseppe Tartin

Introit

“Longing for Light”
Bernadette Farrell
Duet: Martha Davis and Meg House

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

(based on Psalm 89)

Leader: We will sing about the wonders of Your love forever, O God!

All: We will tell everyone we meet about Your faithfulness to all generations!

Leader: We will declare that Your love stands firm,
That Your faithfulness is as enduring as the heavens above!

**All: Blessed are those who know You as their God,
for they walk in the light of Your presence!**

*Opening Hymn

#409, (verses 1-3), “God Is Here”
Abbot's Leigh

Prayer of Confession

O God of Comfort and Justice, forgive the suffering we have caused others: the malicious comment and the thoughtless slight that, once spoken, cannot be recalled, the self-indulgence that ignores real need, and the violence that we perpetuate and ignore. Forgive us for turning a blind eye to the suffering of others, especially the most vulnerable in our midst. Forgive us for supporting systems of oppression across our world. We pray for a transformation by Your Holy Spirit and a renewing of our minds so that we may seek paths of justice and see Your face in the face of all others. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

*Response

#409, (verse 4), “God Is Here”
Abbot's Leigh
**Lord of all, of church and kingdom,
in an age of change and doubt
keep us faithful to the gospel;
help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication,
all we have to give, receive:
we, who cannot live without you,
we adore you! We believe!**

**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

Psalm 13, page 468, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”

African American spiritual

Duet: Martha Davis and Meg House

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Genesis 22:1-14, page 17, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **“Crucifying Violence and the Justice of God”**

Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#700, “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

I’m Gonna Live

Reception of New Members

See insert.

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prière

Léon Boëllmann

*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 *(by Ruth Ruck from “Touch Holiness”)*

O God, through the offering of these gifts may we become a more open people... open-minded in hearing Your Word and wisdom, open hearted in healing a broken world, open-handed in heeding Your call for enacted love. With thanks for all good gifts, we present a portion of our substance and the whole of ourselves. 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

#39, “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Faithfulness

- Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning, new mercies I see.

All I have needed thy hand hath provided.

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

- Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain**

- Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

Concerto in A Minor (movement I)

J.S. Bach

We wish to thank Martha Davis, Meg House and Dan Stokes for her participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the **tour guides and members of the History and Archives Committees** who preserve and share the proud history of our church.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for peace—between ethnicities, religions, economic and educational classes, cultures, sexual orientations—the peace that creates acceptance and understanding.

10:00 a.m.	
Liturgist	Nathan Moon
Tour Guide	Wilson Golden
Worship Play	Rev. Alice Tewell

Counters	
June 25	Adam Bain and Dan Stokes

Preaching Schedule	
July 2	Rev. Roger J. Gench
July 9	Rev. Roger J. Gench
July 16	Rev. Roger J. Gench
July 23	Sarah-Dianne Jones, NYAPC Young Adult Volunteer

Information for Sunday Visitors

Garage parking has been extended to 3:00 p.m. today.

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!