

Adult Sunday School	
Gathered for Prayer	December 3, 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.	
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	

Opportunities for Service

7-2-9 Club – 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, 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@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 worshippers 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 26, 2017
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Christ the King

Prelude

“Pavane”
Maurice Ravel

Introit

“For the Fruit of all Creation”
Ar Hydy Nos (Welsh Tune)

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

All: **Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before God with joyful songs.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God.
It is God who made us and we are God's children;

All: **We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.**

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving
and the courts of the Lord with praise;

All: **Give thanks to God and praise God's name.**

Leader: For the Lord is good and God's love endures forever.

All: **God's faithfulness continues through all generations.**

*Opening Hymn

#802, “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”
St. Columba

Prayer of Confession

(Based on Matthew 25:31-46)

Holy One, enthroned in glory over all creation, You are a shepherd to the lost and the least. We confess that we have failed to see Your face among those most in need. There have been hungry and thirsty ones in our midst, and we have looked the other way. We confess that we have turned away from the stranger, failing to see You in every part of creation. God of power who gives us hope in this world and hope in ourselves, we pray that You would guide us to turn from the ways of the world and instead embrace the ways of Your Kingdom, power and justice that we may share in your eternal realm prepared from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, who is coming indeed, to reign with justice, compassion, and love. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

**Please stand, if able*



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***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.**

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, page 756, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”
John Rutter

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:15-23, page 181, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “The Shepherd is Lord” Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#276, “Sing a New Song unto the Lord”
Sing A New Song

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

11:00 a.m. “The King Shall Come”
Alistair Coleman

*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

**Blessed are You, God of all creation;
through Your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept
and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of Your
kingdom. Blessed be God forever. 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

#265, “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”
Duke Street

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.**
- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.**
- 3 People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.**
- 4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns:
the prisoners leap to loose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.**
- 5 Let every creature rise and bring
honors peculiar to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud Amen!**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Now Thank We All Our God”
J. S. Bach

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God by Jay Davenport in loving memory of his parents, **Jay H. and Lillian Davenport.**

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for strength, courage and endurance for every victim of sexual assault and sexual violence. We pray that we can hear and understand the troubling stories being told by both men and women so that we may learn how to better respect, love and encourage each other going forward.

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Jim Spearman	Stacey Gagosian
Tour Guide	Paul Dornan	David Powell
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell	Rev. Alice Tewell

Counters	
November 28	Barbara Dornan and Jim Martin
December 3	ShuXian McKenna and Adam Bain
December 10	Martha David and John Schultheis
December 17	ShuXian McKenna 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 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.