

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.	
NYAPC Raising Justice Seeking Kids and Youth 2018 Series Today, 10:00 a.m., PMH, Inclusion and Celebration Jess Cook , Program and Communications Manager, More Light Presbyterians Pronouns: They/Them/Theirs; http://www.clatteringbones.com ; @clatteringbones	
Jess Cook is a candidate for ministry in the Presbyterian Church (USA). A native of East Texas and lifelong Presbyterian, Jess holds a Master of Divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary, a Master of Fine Arts in Photography from the University of North Texas, and a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art from Baylor. Prior to joining MLP, Jess was the Youth Programs Director at Side by Side, an organization in Richmond, VA serving LGBTQ+ youth. They created a parent support group and a meals program, and trained a wide variety of faith community leaders and service providers on best practices for working with LGBTQ+ youth. Jess's call is to help facilitate spaces where reconciliation is possible, with the acknowledgement that reconciliation is only possible if we are able to be honest with ourselves and one another about the ways in which we are broken. True reconciliation requires relationships, and relationships require trust and vulnerability. Jess sees their role as helping make spaces where that vulnerability is celebrated and trust can be built.	

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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. 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. Please 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 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 chairs 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, 20-30 minutes before a Sunday service greeting and then 15-20 minutes after, to chat with visitors and members during coffee time. For more details, visit <http://bit.ly/1OEPH6r>. If you are interested in signing up for one (or more!) services, please contact Helen Anthony at shanthon@ncsu.edu or Paul Dornan at pbdornan@aol.com.



Celebration of Worship

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

January 21, 2018
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude

"Largo" from Trio Sonata in C minor BWV 526
J.S. Bach

Introit

"God, Reveal Your Presence"
Tune of Arnsberg

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

(from Uniting Church of Australia)

Leader: Morning, late winter,

People: Sunlight dancing on the lake

Leader: And two fishermen

People: Silently feeding out nets from their tiny boat.

Leader: Beyond lay Tiberias,

People: Town for pilgrim and tourist, greeting the new day.

Leader: Silent on that pebbled shore, I pondered the day

People: When others, casting, mending, dropped everything

Leader: At the Teacher's "Follow me."

People: Could I have done the same?

*Opening Hymn

#401, "Here in This Place"
Gather Us In

Prayer of Confession

God of grace, as we gather in this space; we realize that the church has not always been a safe space for many people. We confess that we have judged rather than welcomed. We confess that we say we are inclusive and hospitable, yet our actions do not always match our words. We confess that we keep the best things for ourselves. We confess that we often speak with sharp tongues and listen with half ears. God of all of creation, forgive us our selfish ways, our bad habits, and all the ways we turn people away from you. Show us how to listen to all of Your seekers and disciples so that we may humbly worship You. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

**Please stand, if able*

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***Response**

#401, (verse 4) "Here in This Place"

Gather Us In

- 4 **Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away:
here in this place the new light is shining;
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Psalm 62:5-12, 498 pages 545-546, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

"Forever Blest are They"
G. F. Handel

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Mark 1:14-20, page 33, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Time's Up" Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#409, "God Is Here"
Abbot's Leigh

Concerns of the Church

Moment for Mission **Jess Cook**
Program and Communications Manager
More Light Presbyterians

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

11:00 a.m. "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"
John Rutter

*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

Holy God, we give You thanks for the movement of Your Spirit amongst us. You have called us each by name as Your disciples, each equipped with unique spiritual gifts. Help us to offer our tithes and our talents generously to You and Your church. May we do all things in service to You. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. 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

#408, "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"
Sweet, Sweet Spirit

- 1 **There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.**

**Refrain Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love.
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived,
When we shall leave this place.**

- 2 **There are blessings you cannot receive
Till you know Him in His fullness and believe;
You're the one to profit when you say,
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

"Trumpet Tune"
Henry Kihlken

We wish to thank **Samantha Scheff** for her participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in celebration of the volunteers on the **Accounting Task Force** who have supported our staff and boards by providing a new financial system and guidance.

The **Peace Candle in the chancel** reminds us to pray for all immigrants and refugees whose status is precarious and unclear, who are abandoned in refugee camps, whose lives are determined by wars and politics beyond their control. Pray for their comfort, care, and wellbeing.

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Mary Nell Clark	John O'Brien
Tour Guide	David Powell	Paul Dornan
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell

Counters	
January 21	John Schultheis and ShuXian McKenna
January 30	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
February 4	Martha Davis and Adam Bain

Information for Sunday Visitors

Rev. Alice Tewell will be on maternity leave starting January 22 (unless baby girl Tewell is born before then). The Session has voted on a 12-week maternity leave with options of adding vacation on either end.

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.