

Adult Sunday School

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| Gathered for Prayer | April 8, 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. | |
| Scapegoat and the Foundation of Civilization with Yongo Ding, NYAPC Member April 8, 10:00 a.m., Room 511 | |

| | 8:45 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. |
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| Liturgist | Liz England | Len Shabman |
| Tour Guide | David Powell | Len Shabman |
| Worship Play | Caroline White | Rev. Alice Tewell |

| Counters | |
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| April 3 | Martha Davis and John Schultheis |

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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 pbdornanp@aol.com.



Prelude

Celebration of Worship

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

April 1, 2018

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Sunday

“Royal Fanfare”

Des Pres

“Canzona per sonare No.1”

Giovanni Gabrieli

“La Spirita”

Fugue Francois Couperin

“Allegro,” from **King Arthur**

Henry Purcell

“The Heavens Are Telling”

Benedetto Marcello

“Finale,” from **Symphony No. 3**

Camille St. Saëns

The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church

Brass and Percussion Ensemble

James McKenzie, Jeff Northman, Trumpets; Shane Iler,

Horn; Michael Parnell, Tenor Trombone; Darryl Buning,

Bass Trombone; Joe Pasanowski, Timpani

Introit

“Haec est Dies (This is the Day)”

Jacobus Gallus

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: After nights of deep darkness,

All: we come in the bright light of this Easter morning.

Leader: We come in search of something.

All: We come in search of the living.

Leader: We come in search of the Living One.

All: The Resurrected One.

Leader: We come with eyes open to the dark emptiness of the tomb.

All: We come with ears tuned to hear the angel proclamation:

Leader: Christ is not here, for He is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed!

*Opening Hymn

#232, (verses 1-3), “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

Nehlybel

**Please stand, if able*

Prayer of Confession

God who brings life, this Easter we sing alleluias and delight in the beauty of the budding spring all around us. Yet, amid our praises, we must also bring our prayers of confession. We confess that when You call on us to be awake and in watch of You, we often fall asleep. We confess that when You are standing right in front of us, our vision grows dim and we fail to see You. We confess that when You share with us the Good News of Your resurrection, we often fall back in fear. God of Easter, forgive us, restore us, and reconcile us to Your ways of restoration and peace. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response

#232, (*verses 4*), “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”
Nehlybel

- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Isaiah 25:6-9, page 613, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Antiphon: Let all the World in Every Corner Sing,”
from **Five Mystical Songs**
Ralph Vaughan Williams

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson: Mark 16:1-8, page 51, NRSV

Third Lesson

Revelation 7:13-17, page 235, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “Easter Youth” Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#238, “Thine is the Glory”
Judas Maccabeus

Sacrament of Baptism

William Alexander Fowler
11:00 a.m. See insert.

Concerns of the Church

Offertory

11:00 a.m. “Hallelujah Chorus,” from **Messiah**
(congregation to remain seated)
G. F. Handel

*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 *(adapted from resources for One Great Hour of Sharing)*

God of the Resurrection, You give us hope this Easter Day! As we’ve been blessed, may these gifts bless others too. May we now serve the risen Christ through these our gifts of love and care. Amen.

Service of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Litany of Thanksgiving

One: God is with you!
All: **And also with you.**
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up to God.**
One: Let us give thanks to our Creator.
All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give You our thanks and praise, O God! You created the world by speaking life into being...And so, with Your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

Response

#595, “Holy, Holy, Holy”
Argentine Santo
Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores You!
My heart knows how to say to You: You are holy, Lord!

You are holy, O God of Life, and holy is Jesus Christ, Your Son, the resurrected One. You sent Your only-begotten in whom Your fullness dwells, to be for us the way, the truth, and the life. Revealing Your love, radiating Your life, Jesus taught those who listened to him, healed those who believed in him, received all who sought him. He enacted peace in the midst of violence, love in the face of hate, He offered Divine Life to all people suffering under worldly forces of death. We thank you, God, for the incredible gift of Jesus, the Word made flesh. Through his resurrection Life you gave birth to Your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made us a new people...All glory and honor are Yours, eternal God, now and forever. As we prepare to eat the meal, let us offer the prayer Jesus Christ taught us saying...

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.

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

Participants in the communion proceed down the aisles to the servers, take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, and partake. Please return to your pew via the side aisles. Those unable to come forward will be offered the bread and the cup at their seats. (There is a Gluten Free communion set available; raise your hand for a pastor to respond.)

Prayer After Communion

Hear at this table Your promise is made visible, we have heard the song of Your love, tasted Your sweet claim on our lives, and experienced Your strength. Together at this table, You have offered to us beauty. And we give You thanks. Amen.

*Sending Hymn

#245, “Christ the Lord is Risen Today!”
Llanfair

- 1 "Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia!
All creation, join to say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!
- 3 Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!
Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!
- 4 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia!
Praise to you by both be given, Alleluia!
Every knee to you shall bow, Alleluia!
Risen Christ, triumphant now. Alleluia!

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response
Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Toccata,” from **Symphony No. 5**
Charles-Marie Widor
Samantha Scheff, Organ

**The Call to Worship and Liturgy for the Service of Communion is adapted from Easter resources on spaciousfaith.com from writer Katherine Hawker.*

We wish to thank the Sanctuary Choir, organist Samantha Scheff, and The New York Avenue Brass and Percussion Ensemble for their special music in worship this morning.

Please see the insert for Easter flower dedications.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for the peace of Christ and Easter Resurrection for all those suffering loss and grief, hunger and homelessness, that they may have hope and peace in their hearts this Easter.