

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: Artillery of Heaven: Presbyterian & Evangelical Missions in the Middle East Mac Skelton, NYAPC Member The session will engage Ussama Makdisi's book "Artillery of Heaven" and other writings on the history of Evangelicals and Presbyterians in the Middle East.	
April 22, 10 a.m., Room 511 : Presbyterian Confessions: Comparing Statements of Faith Phil Bolles, NYAPC Member The session will explore the 11 Presbyterian confessions and their relevance for faith and worship.	

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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 Education 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.



Celebration of Worship

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

April 15, 2018
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Third Sunday of Easter

Prelude

“Sing Praise to God”
Tune of "Mit freuden Zart"

Introit

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”
Tune of Coronation

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

(based on Luke 24)

Leader: We gather to remember the ancient stories of revelation.

People: We read from our ancient texts.

Leader: We gather to interpret the meaning these stories reveal in our lives.

People: We hear from our traditions.

Leader: We gather to share the revelation of the risen Christ.

People: We experience in ritual and story.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Opening Hymn

#247, *(verses 1-3)*, “Now the Green Blade Rises”
Noel Nouvelet

Prayer of Confession

O Holy One, we call to You and name You as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God, when we fail to recognize You in the dailyness of our lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom.

Holy God, in the daily round from sunrise to sunset, remind us again of Your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see You in the moment-by-moment possibilities to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from our wisdom.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

**Please stand, if able*

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***Response**

#247, (verse 4), “Now the Green Blade Rises”
Noel Nouvelet

- 4 **When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, your touch can call us back to life again; fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: love is come again like wheat arising green.**

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Psalm 4, page 464, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“Kyrie Eleison,” from **Mass in G Major**

Franz Schubert

Whitney McColley, David Williams, Soloists

Translation: Lord have Mercy, Christ have Mercy, Lord have Mercy.

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Luke 24:36b-48, page 85, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Wounds that Remain” Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#27, “Sacred the Body”
Tenderness

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

8:45 a.m. *Please gather around the table for giving and prayer.*

11:00 a.m. “Gloria in Excelsis Deo,” from **Mass in G Major**

Franz Schubert

Translation: Glory to God in the Highest and on earth peace to all those of good will. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we adore thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory. Lord God, King of heaven, God the Father almighty, the only begotten son, Jesus Christ. God of God, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. For only thou art holy, only thou art the Lord most high. You alone are Lord who reigns with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

*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

God of all goodness and grace, receive the gifts we offer; and grant that our whole life may give You glory and praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

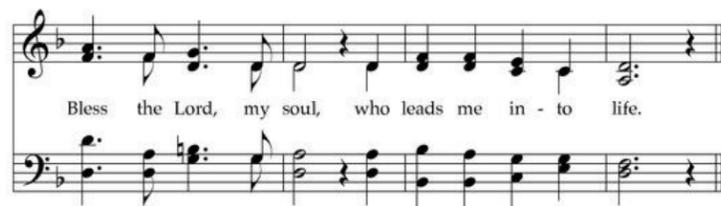
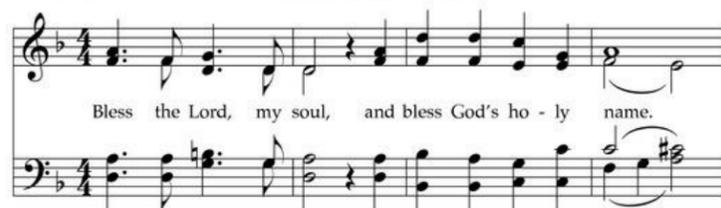
#544, “Bless the Lord” [Repeat twice]

Traditional Taizé

SENDING

544

Bless the Lord



*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Tune of “Coronation”

**The liturgy is adapted from resources at Liturgyoutside.net.*

We wish to thank Whitney McColley and David Williams for their participation in worship this morning as our soloists.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our children, **Rebecca Porter** (1966-2009) and **Lawrence Porter** (1972-2016), by Cecelia and Doug Porter.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for those who need love, understanding, support; for those struggling to survive in a world of war, hate, discrimination; for those who have views, opinions, ideas different than our own, that we may understand and acknowledge.

Participants in Worship		
	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Paul Dornan	Tamara Saltman
Tour Guide	Len Shabman	Paul Dornan
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell

Counters	
April 15	John Schultheis and Adam Bain
April 24	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
April 29	Barbara Dornan and ShuXian McKenna
May 6	Martha Davis and Dan Stokes
May 13	John Schultheis and ShuXian McKenna

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**. Licensed, paid professionals provide care. 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, 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 yours, please fill out a blank form with your name in the envelopes on either nametag kiosk in the narthex and the church entryway on the first floor. You will find your nametag on either kiosk on a following Sunday. Nametags are one more way NYAPC strives to be a welcoming presence in Washington.