

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.	
Scapegoat and the Foundation of Civilization with Yongo Ding, NYAPC Member Today, 10:00 a.m., Room 511	

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Young Adult Volunteer :	Clare Forrister yav@nyapc.org	

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 pbdornan@aol.com.



Celebration of Worship

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

April 8, 2018

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Second Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Festival Prelude on "Victory"
C.S. Lang

Introit

"This Joyful Eastertide"
Dutch Carol, arr. Wood

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

(from The Iona Community)

Leader: Creator of the cosmos, of eternity and time:

People: **Be with us in this time.**

Leader: Savior of the world, healer of the nations:

People: **Be with us in this place.**

Leader: Breath of all that lives, of people near and far:

People: **Stir within our lives.**

Leader: Maker-Spirit-Son, God here and now:

People: **Be present in our worship, that we may find new ways to be present in Your world.**

Leader: Living and Eternal one, universal in space:

People: **We celebrate this Easter that unifies and punctuates Your presence.**

*Opening Hymn

#246, (verses 1-4), "Christ is Alive!"
Truro

Prayer of Confession

(from the book of Common Worship)

Merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings and offenses against You and each other. You know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive us, and help us to live in Your light, and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

**Please stand, if able*

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***Response**

#246, (verse 5), "Christ is Alive!"
Truro

- 5 Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Acts 4:32-35, page 114, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

"Rise Up, My Love"
Healey Willan

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

John 20:19-31, pages 108-109, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Resurrection Breath" Rev. Alice R Tewell

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#234, "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"
St. Kevin

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. "Now the Green Blade Riseth"
Traditional French, Arr. Shaw

*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 the Resurrection, You give us life and breath,
You fill the world with beauty, our hands with
bounty, and our hearts with the desire to give. Accept
these gifts, and ourselves in service always. 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

#239, "This Joyful Eastertide"
Vruechten

- 1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 The Lord of life is risen today!
Death's mighty stone is rolled away.
Let all the earth rejoice and say:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Praise we in songs of victory
that love, that life which cannot die,
and sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord
the life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

***Congregational Response**
Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

Chorale Prelude on "Gelobt sei Gott"
Healey Willan

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

Please see the Easter Flower Insert for this week's dedications.

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	Molly Johnson	Rev. Beth Braxton
Tour Guide	David Powell	Len Shabman
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap	Karen Dunlap
Counters		
April 10	Martha Davis and Jim Martin	

Information for Sunday Visitors

Garage parking extended to 3:00 p.m. today for the memorial service.

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.