

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 Financial Stewardship Eddie Synder, NYAPC Member	
Today, 10:00 a.m., PMH: Exploring Embodied Prayer Embodied prayer after the confession and passing of the peace has become a semi-regular occurrence in worship on Sunday mornings. This class provides a forum for discussion and investigation of prayer through bodily movement. There will be an opportunity to practice embodied prayer as intercession and space for creating your own prayer. Movement we will do is accessible for all bodies. Led by Kathryn Sparks with Sarah Barclay Hoffman.	
May 20, 10:00 a.m., Congregational Sunday - <i>Fun with Money (really!)</i> Come to Peter Marshall Hall between services for fellowship and fun and games surrounding money, the Bible, and the church. Fun for all ages ... Coffee and special cookies too!	
May 27, 9:00 a.m., Room 511: Presbyterians, Evangelicals, and Eschatology Phil Bolles, NYAPC member	

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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.

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. Donation baskets are at the rear of the Sanctuary and 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.

Volunteers are needed to staff 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/1OFPPh6r> or contact Helen Anthony shanthon@ncsu.edu or Paul Dornan pbdornanp@aol.com.

Worship Service – Are you interested in ushering or serving as a liturgist during Sunday service? Please contact John Yoder at yoderja@gmail.com (usher) or Mark Zaineddin at zaineddin@gmail.com (liturgy) for more information.



Celebration of Worship

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

May 13, 2018
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Njoro Sunday

Prelude Prelude on "We Walk by Faith"
Tune of Dunlap's Creek, arr. Powell

Introit "Siyahamba"
South African Freedom Song

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: The spirit of God calls us from many places; some of us come from busy homes with many people; some of us live alone.

People: **We are a part of the family of God.**

Leader: This week has been different for each of us; some of us have had happy news we want to celebrate; some of us have faced grief and need to cry.

People: **We are members of God's family.**

Leader: Yet we all come to this same place; all of us seeking God's presence in our lives; all of us seeking God's presence with each other.

People: **Together we become God's family.**

*Opening Hymn

#761, (verses 1-3), "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"
Beecher

Prayer of Confession

For ignoring the vision breathed by the living Spirit churning deep within our souls; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Have mercy upon us. For refusing to look at the vision alive within those who look or act or sound different from us; Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Have mercy upon us. For choosing familiarity, ease, and comfort rather than risking the opportunities afforded in the vision Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Have mercy upon us.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response

#761, (verse 4), "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"
Beecher

4 **So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life that surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife. Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase, messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace.**

*Please stand, if able

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*Affirmation of Faith from The Belhar Confession

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;

that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; ...

that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, ...

that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways;

in that we love one another;

that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another;

that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;

that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; ...

that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ;...

that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering;

Thanks be to God!

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Ephesians 4:1-6, page 182, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“Shosholotsa”

South African Freedom Song

Ian Elder, Tenor

Translation: Go forward on these mountains, the train is coming from South Africa.

Moment for Mission

Njoro Steering Committee

Time for Children and Their Friends

Njoro Steering Committee

Second Lesson

John 17:6-19, page 105, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “That They May Be One”

Rev. Beth Braxton

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#733, “We All Are One in Mission”

Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein

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. “The Promise of Living,” from **The Tender Land**

Aaron Copland

*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

Ever-present and loving God, Your Word tells us to cast our cares on You because You care for us. In faith and trust we present these gifts, and ourselves, to You. Bless and multiply them to meet the needs, both hidden and apparent, of Your beloved ones. Inspire each of us to live as Christ's witnesses, today and ever more. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. 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

#749, “Come! Live in the Light!”

We Are Called

1 Come! Live in the light!

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom,

to live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain We are called to act with justice.

We are called to love tenderly.

We are called to serve one another,

to walk humbly with God.

2 Come! Open your heart!

Show your mercy to all those in fear!

We are called to be hope for the hopeless,

so all hatred and violence will be no more! *Refrain*

3 Sing! Sing a new song!

Sing of that great day when all will be one!

God will reign, and we'll walk with each other

as sisters and brothers united in love! *Refrain*

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

Chorale Prelude on “Oh Praise Ye the Lord”

Tune of Laudate Dominum, arr. Powell

*The liturgy for this service comes from resources on LiturgyOutside.net

We wish to thank Ian Elder for his participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in appreciation for the volunteers who serve on the Worship and Music Committee and those who participate in the Dance Ministry.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for all mothers on this Mother's Day, for their unfailing devotion, gentleness, guidance, loving care, and constant support, and for our mothers who have passed on and are forever in our memories.

Participants in Worship		
	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Kathryn Sparks	Sarah Williamson Kirwin
Tour Guide	ShuXian McKenna	Melissa Jane Taylor
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell
Counters		
Today	John Schultheis and ShuXian McKenna	
May 20	Martha Davis and Barb Dornan	
May 29	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein	
June 3	Dan Stokes and John Schultheis	

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 small children: We are so happy to have infants and children in worship with us and our nursery, located on the park level (basement), is another option for babies and children 4 and under. Licensed, paid professionals provide care. The nursery is open from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Parents are invited to feed their baby in the sanctuary or if you prefer some privacy and a quiet place, we invite you to use the meditation room located inside of the library on the 1st floor. You are also welcome to use Alice and Stan's outer office on the 2nd floor (sanctuary level). There is also a single stall restroom with a changing table in that space.

We want children to feel included in worship and believe that they are vital part of our community of faith. Being in worship together can help children understand God's love and their identity as children of God. During our worship 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.