

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: The Anglican Church in the Middle East Rev. Halim Shukair, Deacon, Episcopate of Jerusalem	
Today and May 13, 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 13, 10:00 a.m., Room 511 Financial Stewardship Eddie Synder, NYAPC Member	
May 20, (No programming, Congregational Sunday)	
May 27, 10:00 a.m., Room 511: Presbyterians, Evangelicals, and Eschatology Phil Bolles, NYAPC member	

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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.

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 6, 2018
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

“Chanson d'Arcadet”
 Franz Liszt

Introit

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”
 Tune of Holy Manna, Columbian Harmony, 1825

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, a song of hope and rejoicing!
All: Praise God for wonderful acts of mercy and kindness!
 Leader: God has remembered God's faithful ones.
All: God has poured blessing upon blessing upon us!
 Leader: Praise the Lord, all the earth, shout your praise!
All: Rejoice, for God is truly with us. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

#401, (verses 1-3) “Here in This Place”
 Gather Us In

Prayer of Confession

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. In Christ, You claim us as children, but we disobey Your commands. In Christ, You even call us friends, but we have not been faithful to You. Forgive us, God of grace. By the power of Your Spirit help us to abide in Your love and share that love with others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response

#401, (verse 4) “Here in This Place”
 Gather Us In
**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, 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.**

**Please stand, if able*

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

John 15:9-17, page 103, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“At the River”
Traditional, arr. Copland

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

1 John 5:1-6, page 227, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “Water and Blood” Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#501, “Feed us, Lord”
Feed Us

Reception of New Members 11:00 a.m. See last page of bulletin.
Concerns of the Church

Offertory

11:00 a.m. “Sanctus” from **Mass in D Minor**
F. J. Haydn
Mary Shea Kustas, Conductor
Translation: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.

*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, Your caring moves us to care, and Your mercy moves us to kindness. Your justice stirs us to work for the oppressed, and Your humility causes us to desire no reward for any deed. Use these gifts according to Your compassionate will, we pray in Your name. Amen.

Service of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Litany of Thanksgiving

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

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise, eternal God our creator and redeemer. In Your wisdom, You made all things and sustain them by Your power....Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name.

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 majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt. He shares our life in every way, and though tempted, was sinless to the end. Baptized as Your own, he went willingly to his death and by Your power was raised to new life. In his dying and rising, You gave birth to Your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit ... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor are Yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Empowered by the Spirit, let us now offer the prayer our Lord 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

God of grace, You have called us to the holy table of the Lord, to proclaim his death and receive his gift of life. Help us to remember Christ’s self-offering with thanksgiving and praise. Open our hearts and minds to a vision of his love, and pour into our souls the fullness of his grace. As we offer ourselves to You, let us go forth to live and serve as those whose lives are not our own but belong to You; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with You and the Holy Spirit be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

*Sending Hymn

#500, “Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread”
St. Flavian

- 1 Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart; Savior, abide with us, and spread your table in our heart.**
- 2 Here share with us, in love divine, your body and your blood, that living bread, that heavenly wine be our immortal food.**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response
Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Christ ist erstanden”
Johann Fischer

*The Call to Worship is from Ministry Matters; The prayer of confession is from PCUSA Lectionary Aids; all resources are for Year B, the Sixth Sunday of Easter.

We wish to thank Mary Shea Kustas and Samantha Scheff for their 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 **Cuba Partners Committee** and those who coordinate the Njoro, Kenya Orphan and Vulnerable Children Program.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for those family and friends who have lost loved ones to gun violence and senseless acts—again—and to unexpected events from planes, automobiles, and freak accidents. May God hear our prayers for them.

Participants in Worship		
	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Whitney McColley	Clare Forrister
Tour Guide	Paul Dornan	Barry Tindall
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell	Karen Dunlap and Rev. Alice Tewell
Counters		
May 6	Martha Davis and Dan Stokes	
May 13	John Schultheis and ShuXian McKenna	
May 20	Martha Davis and Barb Dornan	

The Reception of New Members	
The Presentation of New Members	
The Questions of Faith	
Elder:	Our Lord Jesus Christ commissioned us to teach those who are baptized. Do you, the people of this church promise to tell these new disciples the good news of the gospel, to help them know all that Christ commands, and by your fellowship, to strengthen their family ties with the household of God?
<i>People:</i>	<i>We do.</i>
<i>Unison Prayer:</i> <i>God, our Creator, we praise you for calling us to be a servant people, and for gathering us into the body of Christ. We thank You for choosing to add to our number brothers and sisters in faith. Together, may we live in Your spirit and so love one another, that we may have the mind of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom we give honor and glory forever. Amen.</i>	
NEW MEMBERS	
We are happy to welcome into the fellowship of The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church community these new members. Their contact information will be published in the bulletin next Sunday.	