

| Adult Sunday School | |
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| Gathered for Prayer | Today, 9:20 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, 11:30 a.m.: Sermon Reflections Adult Education Summer Discussions After Service | |
| Today will conclude our sermon reflection series using Walter Brueggemann's book Money and Possessions. After the worship service, you are invited to join us for discussion on that book and the sermon. The group will meet in the Lincoln Parlor. All are invited. | |

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| | Pastor: | Roger Joseph Gench, Ph.D. rjgench@mindspring.com |
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| Director of Liturgical Dance: | Kathryn Sparks, M.T.S. dancingsparks@yahoo.com | |

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/1OFP6r> 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.

July 29, 2018

10:00 a.m.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude “Larghetto” and “Allegro” from **Sonata No. 3 in A Minor**
G.F. Handel
Jack Anderson, Flute

Introit “We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding”
Tune of Brewer, David Ashley White
Meg Neill, Soprano

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 23 from the Disrupt Worship project)*

Leader: Welcome to the pasture, the shepherd is calling.
People: **The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want.**
Leader: Welcome to the valley, the shepherd is with us.
People: **The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want.**
Leader: Do not fear, the comforter is here.
People: **The Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want.**
Leader: Let us give praise for God's goodness and mercy.
People: **Thanks be to God for all the days of our life.**

*Opening Hymn

#726, “Will You Come and Follow Me”
Kelvingrove

Prayer of Confession *(From resources from the PCUSA)*

Leader: O God, you bring justice to the oppressed and give bread to the hungry.
People: **Forgive us when we do not follow you.**
Leader: You free the prisoner and restore sight to the blind.
People: **Forgive us when we do not follow you.**
Leader: You support the downtrodden and protect the stranger.
People: **Forgive us when we do not follow you.**
Leader: You block evildoers and help orphans and widows.
People: **Forgive us when we do not follow you.**
Leader: You stand against injustice. You stand with the wronged.
People: **Forgive us when we do not follow you.**
Leader: You condemn those who seek their own interests, controlling and harming others.
People: **Forgive us when we do not follow you.**
Leader: You bring about justice and true peace among people.
People: **God, forgive us when we do not follow you. Grant us your grace. Embolden us that, as your people we may stand where you stand. Amen**

*Passing of the Peace

**Please stand, if able*



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***Response**

#582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”
Glory to God
**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**
[Repeat once]

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

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Lamentations 3:21-24, page 720, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Anthem

“Down to the River to Pray”
Traditional
Meg Neill, Tamara Saltman, Samantha Scheff, Vocal Ensemble

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Lamentations 4:1-2, page 721, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Sermon “Lost” **Rev. Roger J. Gench**

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#776, “O God, Be Gracious”
Tallis Ordinal

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Praeludium Pastorale”
John Stainer

*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 grace and freedom, we give you thanks for these
generous gifts. We pray that, as a church, we might hear the
prophetic calling to choose abundance over scarcity, faith
over fear, and the common good of the neighbor over the
desires of self. In choosing your abundance, we pray that we
might be a place of Sabbath rest for all. 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

#774, “There Is Now a New Creation”
Stuttgart

- 1 There is now a new creation
through the grace of Jesus Christ,
peace and reconciliation
with the God of endless live**
- 2 Call the lost and found together;
Tell the news to everyone:
Now the past is gone forever
And a new life has begun.**
- 3 Wrap the prodigal in welcome;
Run to greet the wayward child.
All is finished and forgiven;
Let us now be reconciled.**
- 4 Come and join the celebration;
Come and join this happy feast;
Jesus makes an invitation
to the greatest and the least.**
- 5 There is now a new creation
through the grace Jesus Christ.
Sing, with thanks and adoration,
To the God of endless life!**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Allegro” from **Sonata No. 3 in A Minor**
G.F. Handel
Jack Anderson, flute

We wish to thank Jack Anderson, Meg Neill, Tamara Saltman 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 of the **volunteers who serve on the Nominating Committee.**

The red rose on the Communion Table this morning is to welcome and celebrate the birth of **Margaret Elizabeth Metcalf**, daughter of Megan and Eric Metcalf, who was born this month.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for our elected leaders, that they will work cooperatively for the collective good of all citizens, that they will discern what is in the best interests of the United States above personal gain, and that they will remember in their deliberations the humanity and love that should be accorded to all people.

| Participants in Worship | |
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| Liturgist | John O’Brien |
| Tour Guide | Chris Kelly |
| Worship Play | Rev. Alice Tewell and Karen Dunlap |

| Counters | |
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| July 31 | Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein |

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.

LARGE PRINT bulletins are now available for our worship services, including enlarged copies of the hymns. Please pick one up if it’s helpful to you, or ask a Deacon usher.

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. 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.