

Adult Sunday School	
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.	

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 pbdornan@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.

August 12, 2018

10:00 a.m.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Centering Prayer

**for personal prayer before the service*

Lord
you are a
a present
help in trouble.
Come revive. Redeem.
Restore. In our darkness come
As light. In our sadness come as joy
In our troubles come as peace. In our
weakness come as strength. Come Lord
to our aid. Revive. Redeem. Restore us. O
Lord, Open our eyes to your presence. Open
our minds to your grace. Open our lips to your
praises. Open our hearts to your love. Open our lives
To your
healing
And be
Found among us.*

Prelude

“Introduction and Passacaglia,”
from **Sonata No. 8 in E Minor**
Josef Rheinberger

*Hymn

#407, (verses 1, 2, 4) “Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers”
Nun Danket All' Und Bringet Ehr'

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: The scripture says, “For God alone my soul waits in silence.”

All: **Our souls are thirsty;
come Holy Spirit and fill us with your peace.**

Leader: The scripture also says, “Be still and know that I am God.”

All: **Come Holy Spirit, meet us here in the quiet of this place.**

*Opening Hymn

#466, “Come and Fill Our Hearts”
Confitemini Domino

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Ann Davie

All: **Eternal God, source of all mercy, we are heavy laden and
confess to you now: deep wounds from times past, the
griefs of today, and fears for the future. Deliver us, setting
us free: In Jesus' name, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus said, “Come to me all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.”

**Please stand, if able*

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All: Eternal God, source of all mercy; By our many sins we have spurned your love and spoiled your image in us. We are ashamed and repent in sorrow. Forgive us and cleanse us of our sins. In Jesus' name, hear our prayer.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Passing of the Peace**

***Response**

#654, "In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

Traditional

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful;

In the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God; do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Acts 1:1-5, page 110, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn**

#205, "Live in Charity"

Ubi Caritas

Second Lesson

Acts 2:41-47, page 112, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Meditation "Peace Be With You" and Introduction to Prayer Stations
Rev. Alice R. Tewell

Time for Children and Their Friends

Prayer Stations

There are several prayer stations set up throughout the sanctuary. Instructions and guidance are at each prayer station. You are invited explore all of the stations or linger at one or two. A pastor will be at each prayer station. The prayer stations include:

- Breath Prayers for Centering *
- Lectio Divina for Contemplation on our wounds on John 20:19-29 *
- Community Prayers of Confession and Assurance
- Prayers of the People
- Stories of hope and discernment through Children's Books

** You may do these prayer practices from your pew. There is guidance at the end of the bulletin. You will know it is time to return to your pew when you hear the song "O Lord Hear My Prayer." #471*

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Concerns of the Church

Offertory

"Prayer"

René Vierne

***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**

Receive the gifts we offer, O God.

Receive the gift of our lives –

from the smallest to the largest.

Bless them all to your transforming work in the world.

Amen.

Service of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Rev. Jessica Tate

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 **Rev. Emily Rhodes Hunter**
with Prayers of the People

Response

#471, "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

Traditional

O Lord, hear my prayer.

O Lord, hear my prayer.

When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer.

O Lord, hear my prayer.

Come and listen to me.

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.)

***Hymns** #527, "Eat This Bread"

Berthier

#525, Let Us Break Bread Together

Traditional

Prayer After Communion

Rev. Ann Davie

We thank you, eternal God, that you have fed us in this

sacrament, uniting us with Christ and with all the

faithful who have come before us who have served you

with courage and with joy. Renewed for our daily living

in this world, may we remember that we belong to you

and that you lead us into newness of life. We pray in the

name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns

with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

#842, "The Lord is My Light"

Traditional

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:

In God I trust; in God I trust. [Repeat]

***Unison Commissioning and Blessing**

Leader: Be bold in the claiming of the gospel for the whole creation.

All: **Be brave in the living up of the life of God in every place.**

Leader: Be firm in carrying the holy name of Jesus Christ into the palaces of world power.

All: **Be gentle in the understanding of ourselves and one another.**

Leader: Be a beacon of love and hope.

All: **And may the songs of the Creator sung with love in all the earth, the tenderness of Christ Jesus cover the wounds of the people and the truth in the Holy Spirit rise free in every age. Amen.**

***Congregational Response**

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

"Carillon-Sortie"

Henri Mulet

**The Centering prayer is from David Adam "Help in Trouble" from Tides and Seasons found in Healing Liturgies for the Seasons of Life by Abigail Ryan Evans. (p.147); The prayer of confession is from the Anglican community found in the same book by Dr. Evans (p.242).; The Prayer of Dedication is from liturgylink.net by Scott Cervas.*

We wish to thank Samantha Scheff for her participation in worship this morning. Today is her last day as a Choral Scholar. Sam, so long for now, until we see you again! God-speed on your studies this fall.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God by Marilyn Seiber in loving memory of her husband, William A. Noellert.

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for peace, tolerance, and understanding in times of demonstrations and marches, political discourse, and dialogues between opposing views and opinions. May peace and God's love prevail.

Participants in Worship	
Liturgist	Kristin Ford
Tour Guide	Melissa Jane Taylor
Counters	
August 12	Adam Bain and Martha Davis
August 19	ShuXian McKenna and John Schultheis
August 26	John Schultheis and Barbara Dornan
September 2	ShuXian McKenna and Dan Stokes
September 11	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein