

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.	
Holy Places: Precious, Fragile and Threatened	Today, 10 a.m., PMH
Professor Ellen Davis, McClendon Scholar in Residence	
Raising Justice Seeking Kids: Part 1	October 28 and November 4 at 10 a.m.
Christian Learning Cluster chair Kristin Ford will facilitate a discussion about the book "Raising White Kids: Bringing Up Children in a Racially Unjust America." No need to read the book in advance! We'll be exploring some of the key concepts together and brainstorming ways to help children form healthy racial identities and understand racial privilege and oppression.	
Raising Justice Seeking Kids: Part 2	November 11 at 10 a.m.
Rev. Alice Tewell will bring a series of questions about race and identity, to the group, from a working group she has been part of at the presbytery called "Confronting Racism." Reflecting on our own early understanding of race will help inform how we interact with children and youth in our lives and enable us to better confront perceptions and injustices around race. (Responses to questions will be used anonymously as part of a Presbytery study.)	

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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 Educational 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, Helen Anthony, the chair 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/1OFPh6r> 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.

October 21, 2018

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude “Adagio Cantabile in C Major”
J. S. Bach

Introit “As Pants the Deer for Living Streams”
Psalms 42 and 43, John Horman, 2003

* Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: All things bright and beautiful,

People: God created for our enjoyment.

Leader: All things wrenching and hard,

People: God holds with tender care.

Leader: You and I, neighbors and strangers, friends and enemies,

People: God loves without condition.

Leader: So let us worship God.

*Opening Hymn

#309, (verses 1-3) “Come, Great God of All the Ages”
Abbot's Leigh

Prayer of Confession

O Holy God, we know we have fallen short.

We turn our backs when we could embrace.

We remain silent when we could speak.

We speak when we could listen.

We close the door when we could fling it wide open.

We judge when we could seek understanding.

We cling when we could give.

**Forgive us, O God, for being so very human at times,
and help us to continue to grow into the people you
created us to be, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Response

#309, (verse 4) “Come, Great God of All the Ages”
Abbot's Leigh

4 **Come, O come, in celebration,
household of the one true God;
in commitment and rejoicing
let us go where Christ has trod;
as we act in faith and reverence,
let us, Lord, the future see;
place us in the church triumphant,
now and for eternity.**

*A Brief Statement of Faith

(Pages 37-38, “Glory to God” hymnal)

*Please stand, if able

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Ezekiel 1:1-4; 28; 2:1-2, page 723-724, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord,” from **Elijah**
Felix Mendelssohn

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Ezekiel 3:10-12, 14-15, page 725, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **“Seeing God in Exile”** Dr. Ellen Davis

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#307, “God of Grace and God of Glory”
CWM Rhondda

Sacrament of Child Baptism

Rosemary Day DeBonis
(11:00 a.m. see insert)

Concerns of the Church

Moment for Mission **“Stewardship”** Erica Morgan

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

8:45 a.m. Please gather around the table for giving and prayer.

11:00 a.m. “Behold, God the Lord Passed By,” from **Elijah**
Felix Mendelssohn

*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 (James 5:13-20)

Gracious Lord, we join in prayer. We recognize that daily prayer affects our spiritual health. Likewise, offering our tithes to you affects our spiritual health. The acts of praying and giving unify our church community and place our collective attention on you. As we practice these spiritual disciplines, we hope to draw even closer to you. We pray in the name of the Jesus Christ who offers salvation to all throughout our world. 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

#320, (verses 1-3) “The Church of Christ in Every Age”
Wareham

- 1 **The church of Christ in every age,
beset by change but Spirit-led,
must claim and test its heritage
and keep on rising from the dead.**
- 2 **Across the world, across the street,
the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat,
and never live before they die.**
- 3 **Then let the servant church arise,
a caring church that longs to be
a partner in Christ's sacrifice,
and clothed in Christ's humanity.**

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Voluntary in F Major”
Fanny Mendelssohn

**The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession comes from boldfasttowhatisgood.com. The prayer of dedication is from <http://www.davidsbell.org/>.*

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in appreciation of the **volunteers who serve on the Finance and Stewardship Committees.**

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for those who are victims of natural disasters, whether they are experiencing loss, displacement and uncertainty for their future. We also pray for those experiencing “earthquakes” in their lives—loss of a job, home, loved one, or confronting health challenges—all need our support and prayers.

Participants in Worship		
	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Meg House	Rev. Ann Davie
Tour Guide	David Powell	Len Shabman
Worship Play	Courtney Spearman and Rev. Alice Tewell	Rev. Alice Tewell and Karen Dunlap
Counters		
October 23	Martha Davis and Jim Martin	
October 30	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein	
November 4	Dan Stokes and Martha Davis	
November 11	ShuXian McKenna and John Schultheis	
November 18	Adam Bain and John Schultheis	
November 27	Martha Davis and Jim Martin	

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.

Nursery and Quiet Spaces for Families with small children: We are so happy to have infants and children in worship with us. Our nursery, located in Room 317 (3rd Floor), is another option for babies and children 4 and under. Licensed, paid professionals provide care. The nursery is open from 8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Parents are invited to feed their children in the sanctuary or if you prefer some privacy and a quiet place, we have some additional seating in the balcony area (3rd floor) as an area for parents and guardians to watch the service while caring for their child. There are couches in the main church office to use for fellowship, as well. You are also invited to use the meditation room located inside of the library on the 1st floor, as well as Alice and Stan's outer office on the 2nd floor (sanctuary level). There is a single stall restroom with a changing table in that space.

Worship and Worship Play: We want children to feel included in worship and believe that they are a 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.