

Adult Sunday School	
<b>Gathered for Prayer</b>	<b>Today, 10:20 a.m., Lincoln Chapel</b>
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.	
<b>Raising Justice Seeking Kids: Part 2</b>	<b>Today at 10 a.m.</b>
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.)	
<b>Raising Justice Seeking Kids: Part 1 (Cont.)</b>	<b>November 11 at 10 a.m.</b>
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.	

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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. For more information, Contact Spence Gibbins, [spencergib@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:directors@communityclub.org) or go to [www.communityclub.org](http://www.communityclub.org) for more information.

**New York Avenue Educational Foundation** - The NYAEF mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need in the Washington, DC community. Annually, it solicits proposals and awards grants to grassroots nonprofits, including Community Club, to further impact DC students. Visit <https://nyaef.org> to learn more or contact Brian Schimming at [nyaef.dc@gmail.com](mailto:nyaef.dc@gmail.com). Shopping at Amazon? Select the NYAEF as your charity-of-choice through this link <https://smile.amazon.com>. Federal employees/retirees please consider giving through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC #25839) at <https://cfcgiving.opm.gov>.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:mjs1wan2@gmail.com) or Barry Tindall, [barrytindall@verizon.net](mailto: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](mailto:shanthon@ncsu.edu)) or Taylor Allison ([taylorallison93@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 Senior Accountant, 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/1OFP6r> or contact Helen Anthony [shanthon@ncsu.edu](mailto:shanthon@ncsu.edu) or Paul Dornan [pbdornanp@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:yoderja@gmail.com) (usher) or Mark Zaineddin at [zaineddin@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**November 4, 2018**

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

**Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Communion/Dedication Sunday**

**Prelude**

"For All the Saints"  
Ralph Vaughan Williams

**Introit**

"I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me"  
Traditional Spiritual  
**The New York Avenue Musical Ensemble**  
**Kevin Gebo, Kevin Maloney, and John Powlison, Trumpet;**  
**Adam McColley and Will Timmons, Trombone; Jake Kraft,**  
**Bass Trombone; Jessica Savoia, Harp**

**\* Lincoln Chimes**

## I. The Community Gathers for Worship

**Call to Worship**

*(Matthew 11:28-30)*

Leader: Jesus says, "If you are tired from carrying heavy burdens, come to me and I will give you rest. Take the yoke I give you. Put it on your shoulders and learn from me."

**All: I am gentle and humble, and you will find rest.  
This yoke is easy to bear, and this burden is light.**

Leader: Christ calls us to come to worship

**All: To rest from the things that are troubling us**

Leader: To learn what Christ can teach of life

**All: To realize what we can offer to others**

Leader: And so to return into the world to serve

**All: Let us worship God.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

#689, *(verses 1-3)* "When the Morning Stars Together"  
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**Prayer of Confession**

O God, who sent gifts of the Holy Spirit to those first saints, we know you continue to send gifts to us, even though we do not claim them. We confess that we have not always opened our gifts. We have often chosen to keep them packed away or buried. Move us, by your Spirit, to hear your call on us to be good stewards of your world. We confess to you how often our thoughts and motives are confused, both individually and when we are together as your people, and that this confusion has often blinded us to your interest in our lives. Break in on our confusion, and astonish us anew, O God! Our prayer is that you will claim us again and silence within us our desire to always have words for every occasion, that we might hear the whisper of the wings of your Spirit dove. In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

*\*Please stand, if able*



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### \*Response

#689, (*verse 4*) “When the Morning Stars Together”

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**Lord, we bring our gift of music;**

**Touch our lips and fire our hearts.**

**Teach our minds and train our senses;**

**Fit us for these sacred arts.**

**Then with skill and consecration**

**We would serve You, Lord, and give**

**All our powers to glorify You,**

**And in serving fully live.**

## II. The Community Hears the Word of God

### First Lesson

Deuteronomy 6:1-9, page 157, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Anthem

“God is Here”

arr. Ferguson

### Time for Children and Their Friends

### Second Lesson

Romans 16:1-16, page 154, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

“Tree of Life”

Rev. Roger J. Gench

## III. The Community Responds to the Word

### Stewardship Dedication

*"During the Sermon Hymn, please bring forward your Dedication or Pledge card and place it in the baskets up front. If you are unable to come up front, please raise your hand and a pastor will come to you with a basket."*

### \*Sermon Hymn

#716, “God Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

Beach Spring

### Concerns of the Church

### Moment for Mission

“All Saints’ Sunday”

Catherine Schultheis

“Dedication Sunday”

Helen Anthony

### Offertory

11:00 a.m. “Trinity Te Deum by Eriks Esenvalds“

Bryan Stenson, Conductor

### \*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 generosity, we give back to you in thankfulness, the first fruits of what you have given us. We acknowledge that the world and its resources are not ours, but yours, and that you have called each one of us to be good stewards of what you have given us. May we heed your call. May Jesus your Son, be the pattern for all our dealings with one another, and with the rest of creation, and confirm our commitment to use our money as an extension of our lives in your service.**

**Though our stewardship of our money and our time, we seek to grow closer in faith to you, the God of all goodness. 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 ...Reading of Necrology... 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

8:45 a.m. *The congregation is invited forward to take communion by intinction. After you receive communion, you are invited to stay up front and gather around the table for prayer and our final hymn. Please bring your bulletins forward with you.*

11:00 a.m. *Participants in the communion proceed down the aisles to the servers to take communion by intinction. After you receive communion, 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. (The Gluten Free offering is in the middle upfront)*

### 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

#694, “Great God of Every Blessing”

Aurelia

- 1 Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care, you are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share. How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.**
- 2 Your Word is our salvation, the source of endless grace, in death and life extending your covenant embrace. In Christ we are one body; each member has a part: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.**
- 3 Your Spirit is our teacher, the light that guides our search, transforming broken people into the holy church. For feeding us with mercy, for wisdom you impart: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.**

### \*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

### \*Congregational Response

**Alleluia! Amen!**

### Postlude

11:00 a.m. “I Was Glad”

by C. H. Parry

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*\*The liturgy for today's service is adapted from the stewardship resources from the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.*

**We wish to thank our sanctuary choir and guest musicians: Kevin Gebo, Kevin Maloney, John Powlison, Adam McColley, Will Timmons, Jake Kraft and Jessica Savoia, for their participation in worship this morning in celebration of All Saints’ Day.**

**The flowers in the chancel today** are given to the glory of God by Adlai Amor and his family in celebration of the lives of **Delia J. Amor and Amalia G. Amor.**

**The Peace Candle in the chancel** reminds us to pray for those killed, wounded, and traumatized in the Pittsburgh shootings; for the end to gun violence and ethnic hatred; and for the peace and love of Christ Jesus to fill all our hearts.

Participants in Worship		
	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
<b>Liturgist</b>	Whitney McColley	Linsey Ogden
<b>Tour Guide</b>	Spencer Gibbins	Barry Tindall
<b>Worship Play</b>	Rev. Alice Tewell	Karen Dunlap
Counters		
<b>November 4</b>	Dan Stokes and Martha Davis	
<b>November 11</b>	ShuXian McKenna and John Schultheis	