


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.	
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. For more information, 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 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. 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, robinsleanor@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

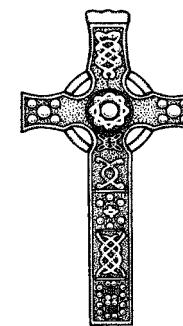
NYAPC's Young Adults – For more information about Faith on Tap, Bible Study, other fellowship and service activities, or to be added to the e-mail list, contact Helen Anthony (shanthon@ncsu.edu) or Taylor Allison (taylorallison93@gmail.com).

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 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 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 28, 2018
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Reformation Sunday

Prelude “Adagio,” from First **Organ Sonata**
Felix Mendelssohn

Introit “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
Ein’ feste Burg, Martin Luther

* **Lincoln Chimes**

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: We believe that the church must together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ.

People: **We believe that together we are built up to the stature of Christ, the new humanity.**

Leader: We believe that we must together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ.

People: **We believe that we are called to admonish and comfort one another; to suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; to pray together; and together serve God in this world. Let us worship God.**

*Opening Hymn

#463, (verses 1-3) “How Firm a Foundation”
Foundation

Prayer of Confession

Leader: God of grace and hope, we bring our prayers of confession to you. Our hearts are hard, O God –

People: **Soften them with your love.**

Leader: Our hands are clenched, O God –

People: **Open them with your grace.**

Leader: Our feet are planted too firmly, O God –

People: **Invite us to dance with you.**

Leader: Our lives are not our own, we know –

People: **Let us live and move and have our being in you, O God. Amen.**

*Response

#463, (verse 4) “How Firm a Foundation”
Foundation

4 When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

*Please stand, if able

***A Brief Statement of Faith**

(Pages 37-38, "Glory to God" hymnal)

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson

Jeremiah 31:7-9, page 690, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“Now Thank We All Our God”
Nun Danket Alle Gott, J. S. Bach

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson

Mark 10:46-52, page 44, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Regaining Sight” Rev. Alice R. Tewell

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#817, “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”
Dunlap’s Creek

Concerns of the Church

Moment for Mission “Stewardship” Astrid Brigham

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

8:45 a.m. Please gather around the table for giving and prayer.
11:00 a.m. “A Gaelic Blessing”
John Rutter

*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

We give you our money, cold and hard, or crisp and easily blown away. We ask your blessing, O God on these gifts that they may be transformed by their use. No longer cold, but the warm smile of friendship, the warmth of a power bill paid or a jersey knitted. No longer hard, but the loving acceptance of a wise counsellor and the kindness of a helping hand. No longer crisp, but the tears of happiness on the face of a child and the mellowness of good food and company shared. No longer easily blown away, but lasting, unchanging, always there like your love for all your creation. 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

#828, “More Love to Thee, O Christ”
Traditional

1 More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!

Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.

This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

2 Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest.

Now thee alone I seek; give what is best.

This all my prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

3 Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise;

this be the parting cry my heart shall raise.

This still its prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Now Thank We All Our God”
J.S. Bach

**The Call to Worship is adapted from the Confession of Belbar by the Presbyterian Mission Agency. The Prayer of Confession is from boldfasttonwhatisgood.com. The Prayer of Dedication is from the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.*

We wish to thank Daniel Stokes for playing organ today while Dr. Engebretson is in Germany introducing his new book of spirituals recently published for European choristers. Next **Sunday, November 4**, the sanctuary choir will sing special music for All Saints’ day with brass and organ during the **11 a.m.** service.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God In appreciation for the **singers, musicians, and choral directors in the NYAPC choir** and their **music director, Stan Engebretson.**

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for reduction in violence between minorities and law enforcement, that understanding and clear thinking might come before rash actions and violence, that safety for both law-enforcement officers and the communities they protect will be paramount.

Participants in Worship		
	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Mary Nell Clark	Tamara Saltman
Tour Guide	Meg Neill	John O’ Brien
Worship Play	Karen Dunlap and Dawn Hill	Kasey Kelly
Counters		
October 30	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein	
November 4	Dan Stokes and Martha Davis	
November 11	ShuXian McKenna and John Schultheis	

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.