Adult Sunday School

Adventures in Prayer

Today, 9:00 a.m., Lincoln Parlor

Maybe you are new to prayer. Maybe prayer is as natural to you as breathing. This class, meeting in the Lincoln Chapel at 9 a.m., is for everyone and anyone who takes prayer seriously. We learn together and we pray together, and starting on June 29, we will begin to explore spiritual practices, using Markato Thompson’s Soul Feast as a guide. (July 5: Ch. 1; July 12: Ch. 2) All questions, joys, and concerns are welcome. Come when you can.

From the New York Avenue Archives: Protocols the War in Vietnam

Today, 9:00 a.m., Room 511

This class will include audio from several services of protest held at New York Avenue during the Vietnam War. Among those offering prayers, meditations and sermons will be Dr. George Docherty, Rabbi Abraham Heschel, the Rev. William Sloane Coffin and the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Time for conversation and comment will follow.

Trigger: The Ripple Effect of Gun Violence.

July 19, 9:00 a.m., Room 511

This powerful hour-long documentary attempts to shift the conversation about gun violence prevention to one in which it becomes a public health issue viewed from many perspectives. Discussion led by Karen Milam.

“Guest Speaker: Myriam Alvarez of 1st Church Havana”

July 26, 9:00 a.m., Room 511

First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana recently celebrated the 20th anniversary of its mission program, “Your Friendly Telephone.” Psychologist on staff, Myriam Alvarez, has been the psychologist directing and developing the program which offers free telephone hot-line and walk-in consultation services at the church open to everyone, children to seniors. First Havana’s Friendly Telephone is the first in Cuba -- and as far as we know -- in Latin America, to offer a free, church-run, professional hot-line service.

Counters

July 14 Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
July 19 John Schultheis and Martha Davis
July 28 Jim Martin and Barbara Doxman
August 2 Don Stokes and Adam Bain

Preaching Schedule

One worship service at 10 a.m. (from May 24 through September 6)

July 12 Rev. Alice Rose Twell
July 19 Rev. Roger J. Grench
July 26 Rev. Roger J. Grench
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Summer Schedule through August 31

Adult Education Classes at 9 a.m.

Worship at 10 a.m.

Opportunities for Service

7-2-9 Club -- Enjoy a Wednesday evening (yes, from 7 to 9 p.m.) September until June, with guests recovering from mental illness. There are games, entertainment, refreshments and time for making friends. Contact Spence Gibbins, spencecgibbins@gmail.com

Community Club -- A one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program, for DC public and private school students (grades 7-12), meets at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! Please contact Tom Karr and Shamila Bradley at direction@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

Food for the Hungry -- Non-perishable food donations are needed by the Capitol Area Food Bank, the large nonprofit hunger and nutrition education resource, in the Washington area. Please place your donations in the baskets located at the rear of the Sanctuary or at the front door.

New York Avenue Foundation -- The NYAF mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need throughout Washington, DC. Annually it solicits proposals and awards grants to grassroots non-profits, which further that mission. A volunteer Board of Trustees conducts the work of NYAF. If you are interested in learning more or participating in the NYAF mission, contact Brian Schimming, nyafnewfound@gmail.com

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 Robbins, robinselleanor@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, mrs22@theatlantic.net

Triangle Park Committee -- Working with the National Park Service to ensure maintenance and oversee the flower and plan 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, mrs22@theatlantic.net, Beth DaMez, lbhdamz@verizon.com or Barry Tiedl, lbhdamz@verizon.com

NYAPC’s Young Adults -- For more information about Sunday brunches, Faith on Tap, Bible study, and other fellowship or service activities (or to be added to the e-mail list), contact Richard Snyder (rsnyder@theatlantic.net) or Bonno Lauer (bonno.lauer@gmail.com)

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*Please stand, if able

Celebration of Worship

The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church welcomes all people into community, worship, service and leadership.

July 12, 2015
10:00 a.m.

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

“Air in D Major,” J.S. Bach

Introit

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

Toni of Engelbert

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*Call to Worship

(Based on Psalm 85:8-13)

Leader: Listen to the words of God speaking peace to all the people.
All: To God’s faithful and to all who turn to God in faith.
Leader: We pray for the day when steadfast love and faithfulness will meet,
All: When righteousness and peace will kiss each other.
Leader: We pray for the day when faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
All: And all righteousness will look down from the sky.
Leader: God will give all that is good, and all lands will see the bounty.
All: Righteousness will go before God making a path for the Holy One’s steps.

*Opening Hymn

#15, (versa 1-3) “All Creatures of Our God and King”
Lasst uns Erfreuen

Prayer of Confession

Compassionate God, greet us with Your grace this day, for we need You. Though we may be frantic with activity, our efforts do not yield peace, peace as only You can give. Help us to find that place where we can perceive as well as give, wait as well as act, and listen as well as speak. Our whole world needs Your peace. Let us come before You and learn Your ways, laying down our weapons and feeding the hungry. Come to us now, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Please stand, if able
*Response*

#15, (verse 4) “All Creatures of Our God and King”
Lass uns Erfreuen
“All Creatures of Our God and King”
All who for love of God forgive,
all who in pain or sorrow grieve, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ bears your burdens and your fears;
so, even in the midst of tears, sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

II. The Community Heears the Word of God

First Lesson
2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 pages 267-268, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem
#340 “It Is Well With My Soul”
David Haas
Vocal Solo by Jan Elder, accompanied by Rev. Roger J. Gench on guitar and Dr. Stan Engebretson on piano.

Time for Children and Their Friends

Second Lesson
Ephesians 1:3-14, pages 180-181, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Adopted” Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn*

#306, verses 1-3 “Blest be the Tie That Binds”
Dennis

Concerns of the Church

*Minute for Mission*

“Worship & Music Listening Sessions” James Turner

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Rosamunde” Ralph Vaughan Williams

*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*

Bless these gifts, gracious God, and bless all those who will be served because of them. We hope for a stronger church, a more compassionate world, and a time of peace. Shape us, through our giving, into people more faithful to Your Word and a people full of joy and good news. We dedicate them along with our lives and all that we are. 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.

*Passing of the Peace*

*Sending Hymn*

#366, “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Hyfrydol

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
   Joy of heaven, to earth come down;
   Fix in us Thy humble dwelling;
   All Thy faithful mercies crown.

2 Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
   Into every troubled heart.
   Let us find the promised rest.
   Take away our bent to sinning;
   Alpha and Omega be;
   End of faith, as its beginning,
   Set our hearts at liberty.

3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
   Let us all thy life receive; suddenly return,
   and never, never more thy temples leave.
   Thee we would be always blessing,
   serve Thee as thy hosts above, pray,
   and praise Thee without ceasing,
   glory in thy perfect love.

4 Finish, then, Thy new creation;
   Pure and spotless let us be;
   Let us see Thy great salvation
   Perfectly restored in Thee;
   Changed from glory into glory,
   Till in heaven we take our place,
   Lost in wonder love and praise.

Postlude

“The Rejoicing,” from Fireworks Music
G.F. Handel

We wish to thank Ian Elder and Rev. Roger Gench for their participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and by the Danowitz family in loving memory of Mary’s parents, James Hutton and Onice Walker Lemly.

The Peace Candle on the chancel reminds us to pray for the people and refugees in South Sudan who again are suffering and dying from a civil war, hunger, and disease.

10:00 a.m.

Liturgists Tamara Saltman
Tour Guide Len Shabman
Worship Play Molly Smith

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.

Please stay for coffee and fellowship in the Narthex after the 10 a.m. service.

There will be a congregational meeting following the 10 a.m. service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers of the church and receiving a brief report from the Audit Committee.

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. Please contact Joe Thierry at thierry@ero.com or (703) 568-5158 for more information.

Building Tours: To take a tour of our building and learn about this congregation’s heritage, current ministry, and outreach, meet the tour guide at the front of the Sanctuary immediately following the service.

Families with Infants and children: We have recently experienced a flood on the park level. While the regular nursery remains mostly unaffected, we are moving the nursery until the flooding is resolved. Infants and toddlers under 4 are welcome in Pastor Alice's office and outer office outside of the sanctuary. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. The nursery is open from 8:45 am - 12 noon. There is a private bathroom off of this space especially for families with young children. There is a changing pad, and extra diapers for your use. During the services, children's worship bulletins, crayons and books are available in the rear of the sanctuary. During the sermon time, Pastor Alice and helpers offer Worship Play in the library on the 1st floor for ages 4-9. During this worship play time, the children are invited to pray, listen to stories from the Bible and related picture books, sing a song or do a simple craft. At the end of Worship Play, the children are offered a peanut free snack.

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.