**PEACE MAKING: THROUGH SUFFERING**

Mar 24 – Zechariah 9:9-10
Mar 25 – Jeremiah 30:4-11
Mar 26 – Isaiah 53:1-9
Mar 27 – Psalm 69
Mar 28 – John 12:20-36
Mar 30 – 1 Peter 4:12-19

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**Opportunities for Service**

- **PEACEMAKING**
  - Youth Week of Service (March 24 – March 30)
  - Sunday Afternoon Volunteer Service (March 24 – March 30)
  - NYAPC Mission (March 24 – March 30)

**Celebration of Worship**

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

**March 24, 2013**

8:45 and 11 a.m.

Palm Sunday

The worship service begins with a brief period for personal meditation and the Prelude.

**Prelude:** Processional
- **Warren Martin**
- **Ride On, Ride On In Majesty**
  - John Buechus Dylas

**Introit**

**Lincoln Chimes**

- **I. The Community Gatherers for Worship**
  - **Call to Worship**
    - One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
    - **All:** Blessed is the Lord God! Hosanna in the highest!
  - **One:** Behold, your king comes; humble, yet mighty and exalted.
  - **All:** We come to journey with God. We come to be changed and renewed.
  - **One:** This is the day the Lord has made. Rejoice and be glad in it!
  - **All:** We give thanks to the Lord, who is good. God’s steadfast love is forever!

**Opening**

**#88 (verse 1-3), “All Glory, Laud and Honor**

- **Hymn**
  - Valet will ich dir geben

**Prayer of Confession**

- Glorious God, worthy of all worship, though we sing Your praises, we fail to follow Your way of the Cross. We have hidden our faces from the pain and suffering of our world. We have turned a deaf ear to the cries of the poor, the hungry, and the oppressed. As people of plenty, we have failed to see beyond ourselves, and we have lost our ability to recognize "enough." Forgive us, Steadfast God, and have mercy on us. Give us the same mind as Christ, so we might humble ourselves. Give us the same heart as Christ, so we might serve Your children; give us the same Spirit as Christ, so we might go wherever You lead us.

**Silent Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

- *Please stand, if able*
*Response  
#88 (verse 4), “All Glory, Laud and Honor”  
Valve if ich dir geboren  
All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King! To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. Thou didst accept their praises; Accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!

*A Brief Statement of Faith  
(May be found in the back cover of pew Hymnals)

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem  
“Sanctus,” from Requiem  
John Rutter  
Translation: Holy, Holy, Holy, God of power and majesty, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna!

Time for Children

Second Lesson  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon  
“Sleepers”  
Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

Sermon Hymn  
#85, “What Wondrous Love Is This”  
Wondrous Love

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory  
8:45  
*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around  
the Table for Giving and Prayer

11:00  
“Requiem Aeternam”  
John Rutter  
Translation: Grant them rest eternal, Lord our God, we pray to thee; and light perpetual shine on them forever.

*Response  
#591 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”  
Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication  
Gracious God, we give You thanks for blessing us, so that we might share Your abundance. At this One Great Hour of Sharing, we dedicate this offering to You and to Your church. May these gifts feed, educate, and care for people in need. May they bring the good news of Your love to all the world. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer  
(page 16-Traditional)

*Passing of the Peace

*Sending Hymn  
#98, “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”  
Passion Chorale  
1  
O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown; O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was Thine? Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

2  
What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered, was all for sinners’ gain; Mine, mine was the transgression, Thine, the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! ’Tis I deserve Thy place; Look on me with Thy favor, vouchsafe to me Thy grace.

3  
What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest friend, For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end! O make me Thine forever, and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response  
Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude  
“Draw Nigh to Thy Jerusalem”  
Paul Manz

We wish to thank Dan Stokes for his participation in worship this morning

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the ministry of The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in the lives of Elizabeth and George E. Jacobs; Annie, Hugh, Hugh Stewart and Marguerite Smith; Viola and Robert S. Jacobs; Elizabeth and Robert G. Kissener; and William T. Grier. They are the gift of Elisir Jacobs Grier, Nancy and Gordon Kissener, and Catherine (Kissener) and John Schulheis, representing five generations of worshipers in this church.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday  
March 28  
6:00 p.m.  
Soup and Bread Supper in Peter Marshall Hall

8:45 a.m.  
Maundy Thursday Worship

Good Friday  
March 29  
12 Noon  
Good Friday Worship Service

Saturday  
March 30  
8:30 a.m.  
Radcliffe Room Ministry

Easter Sunday  
March 31  
8:45 a.m.  
Easter Morning Worship Service: Rev. Roger J. Gench

11:00 a.m.  
Easter Sunday Worship Service: Rev. Roger J. Gench

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.

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 you may use a unit equipped hearing aids with the receiver. Please contact Joe Thierry at jthierry@erols.com or 703-568-5158 for more information.

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.

Radcliffe Room Ministry: Everyone is invited and encouraged to come to the Radcliffe Room on Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. This is a vibrant NYAPC ministry and we would love to have you join us: meet our friends for coffee, conversation, bagels and hymn singing.

Infants and children: Babies and toddlers under 4 are welcome in the Park Level nursery. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. During the services, children’s worship aids are available in the rear of the Sanctuary.

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

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.