CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL –
Classes meet in the Park Level at 10 a.m.

Class
Nursery
(8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.)
Teachers
Certified and professional staff members,
supervised by Rev. Cashwell
Preschool
Doug House, Elizabeth Scupac,
Elisa Illison, Kay Meek
Lower Elementary
(K – 1st grade)
Molly Lauver, Marsha Renwanz,
Mark Sproles, Bridget Sproles
Upper Elementary
(1st – 5th grade)
David Gillies, Kathy Doan,
Catherine Cannon
Youth Class
6th – 12th grade
Susan Hess, Betsy Merritt, Kevin Guy

Opportunities for Service
2-26 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 Gribbins, spencegribbins@gmail.com
Community Club – A one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program for DC public and charter school students, primarily in grades 7-12, meets at the church on Thursday nights during the school year. Adult volunteers are needed! If interested, please contact Tom Kerr and Shamika Bradley at directview@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.
Food for the Hungry – Non-perishable food donations are being requested to share with the Capital Area Food Bank, the large non-profit hunger and nutrition education resource in the Washington metropolitan area. Your donations are welcome in the baskets located at the rear of the Sanctuary.

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 John Couson, tjcouson@yahoo.com or (202) 735-5005.

Radiclffe Rooms Ministry – Come fellowship with our homeless guests, Sundays, 8:15-10:45 a.m. Activities include hymn singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of umbrellas, rain gear, clothing, toiletries and money for transportation are needed. Contact Eleanor Robins, robinskeanea@hotmail.com

The Peace Candle – Visitors are invited to take a prayer candle home to their congregations. Candles are at the rear, right side, of the sanctuary. Please sign the note pad there, so we may know who you are. For more information about the Peace and Justice Committee activities, contact Fritz von Fleckenstein, fritz@dlậmes.ucdel.edu

Triangle Park Committee – Working with the National Park Service to ensure maintenance and upkeep of the flower and plant beds along the church wall and the rear of Triangle Park. We meet 3 times a year, conduct work days as needed. Contact Marilyn Seller, ms1wan2@bollante.net or Barry Tindall, bunny2wda@verizon.net

NYAF's Young Adults welcome those in their 20s/30s (body or heart!) to post-worship fellowship, Faith on Tap, Bible study, and other fellowship and service activities. For more information (or to be added to the e-mail list) contact Gordon Chaffin (teachandchoirhymns@gmail.com).

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

September 15, 2013
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

I. The Community Gathers for Worship
Prelude
“Lobe den Herren” 
arr. Carter
Introit
“Give Thanks, O Christian People”
Es flog ein kleins Waldvögeln

*Lincoln Chimes
*Call to Worship
Leader: Rejoice, people of God!
All: God has swept away the darkness of the night.
Leader: Rejoice, beloved people of God.
All: God has gathered us in from the wilderness.
Leader: Rejoice, people, in your God.
All: Today we rejoice and sing praises to God!

*Opening Hymn
#466 (verses 1 and 2), “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
Azmon

Prayer of Confession
Gracious God, we confess that we live as though there is no God – or as though we are God. We forget all You have done for us, and we make false idols of power, status, and the empty things of the world. We nurse jealousies and resentment, and we turn away from those who are suffering. O Lord, have mercy upon us, and forgive us. Create in us clean hearts; wash away our sin. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation.

Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response
#466 (verses 3 and 4), “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
Azmon

Christ breaks the power of reigning sin,
And sets the prisoner free;
Christ’s blood can make the sinful clean,
Christ’s blood availed for me.
My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
*Please stand; if able
The honors of Thy name.

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"An inclusive and justifying church"
II. The Community Hears the Word of God

Today's Lesson


Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem “O Most Merciful!”

Münster Gesangbuch

Time for Children

Sermon “Tales of the Kingdom: Right Relationship”

Rev. G. Wilson Gunn, Jr.

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn

#304, “Jesus Loves Me”

Jesus Loves Me

Concerns of the Church

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Praise to the Lord”

Lobe den Herren

arr. Ratcliffe

*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 eternmore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

We rejoice and give you thanks, O God, for Your faithfulness and provision. Take these, and all our offerings, and use them to bring Your grace and mercy to those in need; through Christ our Lord, 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

#376 (verses 1, 2, and 4), “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Hyfrydol

1 Love divine, all loves Excelling,

Joy of heaven, to earth come down;

Fix us in Thy humble dwelling;

All Thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, Thou art all compassion,

Pure, unbounded love Thou art;

Visit us with Thy salvation;

Enter every trembling heart.

2 Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit

Into every troubled breast!

Let us all in Thee inherit,

Let us find the promised rest.

Take away our bent to sinning;

Alpha and Omegas be;

End of faith, as its beginning,

Set our hearts at liberty.

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,

Till we cast our crowns before Thee,

Lost in wonder love and praise.

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Alleluia! Amen!

Response

“Trompette et Air”

Henry Purcell

Dr. G. Wilson Gunn, Jr. grew up in Arkansas, matriculated at Davidson College (BA), Duke University (M.Div. and Th.M) and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Ph.D). He served pastorates in North Carolina and Virginia (including two new church developments) for 20 years before entering executive service in Grace Presbytery (NE Texas area). In March, 2004 he began serving National Capital Presbytery as General Presbyter. He and his wife Pam have four children (Lisa, Daniel, Ben and Jasper) and one grandson (Jacob).

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones and friends by members and friends of the Congregation through their contributions to the Flower Fund.

*Portions of today’s liturgy were adapted from Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year C

8:45 a.m. 11 a.m.

Liturgists Lauren Gillesy Jerry Joseph

Greeters Gerald Moody John O’Brien

Tour Guides Katie Cashwell and Rob Nell

Worship Play Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein

Counters’ Schedule

September 18 Jim Martin and Nancy Dickinson

September 24 Nancy Dickinson and Dan Stokes

October 1 Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein

Preaching Schedule during Rev. Gench’s Sabbatical:

“Tales of the Kingdom from Luke’s Gospel”

September 22 Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader

September 29 Rev. Lionel Edmonds

October 6 Worldwide Communion Sunday

October 13 Rev. J. Herbert Nelson

October 20 Rev. J. Herbert Nelson

October 27 Rev. Katie Cashwell

*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.

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. 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.