Adult Sunday School		
Adventures in Prayer	Today, 10:20 a.m., Lincoln Chapel	
Maybe you are new to prayer. Maybe prayer is as natural to you as breathing.		

This class, meeting in the Lincoln Chapel at 10:20 a.m., is for everyone and anyone who takes prayer seriously. We learn together and pray together. All questions, joys and concerns are welcome. Come when you can.

Introducing the Theology of Doug Ottati Today, 10:00 a.m.

**Room 511** 

Rev. Roger Gench will lead a study on the person and work of Jesus Christ in preparation for Professor Doug Ottati's upcoming visit.

Radcliffe Room Ministry Update Today, 10:00 a.m. Radcliffe Room

A panel of regular volunteers to our Sunday morning food program with homeless and street people will share what the Radcliffe Room Ministry does, communicating concerns and entertaining questions. For part 2, a panel of Radcliffe Room guests will share their stories.

The Church as a Welcoming Community in a Time of Migrants and Refugees

March 20, 10 a.m. **PMH** 

Professor Douglas Ottati, McClendon Scholar in Residence, will present on his newest research. Dr. Ottati is the Craig Family Distinguished Professor of Reformed Theology and Justice at Davidson College in North Carolina. Professor Ottati is the co-general editor of the multi-volume series, The Library of Theological Ethics. His recent books include Theology for Liberal Presbyterians and Other Endangered Species, Reforming Protestantism: Christian Commitment in Today's World, and Hopeful Realism: Recovering the Poetry of Theology.

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### **Opportunities for Service**

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

Community Club - A one-with-one tutoring and mentoring program, for DC public and charter 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 Shamika Bradley at directors@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

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. Please place your donations in the baskets located at the rear of the Sanctuary or at the front desk.

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, nvavefoundation@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 Robins, robinseleanor@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, mis1wan2@bellatlantic.net

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, mis1wan2@bellatlantic.net Beth DuMez, bethdumez@erols.com or Barry Tindall, barrytindall@verizon.net

NYAPC's Young Adults - For more information about Sunday brunches, Faith on Tap, Bible study, or other fellowship or service activities (or to be added to the e-mail list), contact Helen Anthony (shanthon@ncsu.edu), Phil Bolles (philbolles@gmail.com), or Katherine Leiden (keleiden@gmail.com).

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 Jan Maheras, the church accountant, Laura Asiala, the chair of the Annual Stewardship Committee, or Rev. Roger Gench, the Senior Pastor, for more information, questions, or to make your pledge.

We are in need of volunteers to help make NYAPC a welcoming place for our visitors and members by staffing the welcome table in the narthex before and after services. Welcome table volunteers arrive about 20-30 minutes before a Sunday service to greet worshipers and then hang out for about 15-20 minutes after the service to chat with visitors and members during coffee time. For more details visit http://bit.ly/10FPh6r. If you are interested in signing up for one (or more!) services please contact Alison Kootstra Nowak at amkootstra@gmail.com or Paul Dornan at pbdornanp@aol.com.



# Celebration of Worship

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

> March 13, 2016 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### Prelude

"Introit and Kyrie;" and "Dies Irae," from Requiem

Translation:

Grant them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. You are praised, God, in Zion, and homage will be paid to You in Jerusalem. Hear my prayer, to You all flesh will come. Grant them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Day of wrath, day of anger will dissolve the world in ashes, as foretold by David and the Sibyl. Great trembling there will be when the Judge descends from heaven to examine all things closely

#### \*Lincoln Chimes

Call to Worship

# I. The Community Gathers for Worship

(Patrick of Ireland, 389-461)

May the strength of God pilot us.

All: May the power of God preserve us.

May the wisdom of God instruct us. Leader:

All: May the hand of God protect us.

Leader: May the way of God direct us. All: May the shield of God defend us.

May the host of God guard us against the snares of evil and

the temptations of the world.

May Christ be with us, All:

Leader: Christ before us,

Christ in us, All:

Leader: Christ over us. All: May your salvation, O Lord, be always ours this day and

forevermore. Amen.

#### \*Opening Hymn

#394, (verses 1-3) "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

Westminster Abbey

### **Prayer of Confession**

O God, we see the things of hope, of love and justice, of peace and truth, in ourselves in our world, and we confess that we are in a fearful battle with powerful forces which would destroy them. When we hand them over to the tyrants of our day, without much struggle, forgive us. If we have given up hope in precious parts of ourselves, forgive us we pray. Amen.

#### **Silent Confession**

#### Assurance of Pardon

\*Please stand, if able

#### \*Response

#394, (verse 4) "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" Westminster Abbey

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one: one in might and one in glory while unending ages run!

\*A Brief Statement of Faith

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

# II. The Community Hears the Word of God

#### First Lesson

John 12:1-8, page 100, NRSV Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### Anthem

"Confutatis" and "Lacrymosa," from Requiem

When the accused are confounded, and doomed to flames of woe, call me among the blessed. I kneel with submissive heart, my contrition is like ashes, help me in my final condition.

That day of tears and mourning, when from the ashes shall arise, all humanity to be judged. Spare us by your mercy, Lord, gentle Lord Jesus, grant them eternal rest. Amen.

#### Time for Children and Their Friends

#### Second Lesson

John 11:17-44, page 99, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"The Crv"

Rev. Roger J. Gench

# III. The Community Responds to the Word

#### \*Sermon Hymn

#450, "Be Thou My Vision"

Slane

Concerns of the Church

Moment for Mission

"One Great Hour of Sharing"

#### Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

# Offertory

8:45 a.m. \*The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around

the Table for Giving and Prayer

11:00 a.m. Hostias and Quam Olim Abrahae, II

Sacrifices and prayers of praise, Lord, we offer to You. Receive them in behalf of those souls we commemorate today. And let them, Lord, pass from death to life, which was promised to Abraham and his descendants.

"Benedictus" and "Osanna" from Requiem

Blessed are they that come in the Name of the Lord, Hosanna.

## \*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

(from the United Church of Christ)

God of grace, all that we have and all that we are belongs to You, and the giving is a blessing in itself. We dedicate this day, not only the things we can put in a plate or write on a piece of paper, but also the things we cannot touch: our hearts, our spirits, our passion, our resolve. Use them, and us, to restore the fortunes of all Your people: to seek Your will, to strengthen Your church, and to serve You faithfully. 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 (11:00 a.m.)

### \*Sending Hymn

#611, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Hymn to Joy

- 1 Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
- All thy works with joy surround Thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays; stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.
- 3 Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began. Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife. Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

# \*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

# \*Congregational Response

# Alleluia! Amen!

# Postlude

"Lux Aeterna," from Requiem W. A. Mozart

Translation:

Let eternal light shine on them, Lord, as with Your saints in eternity, because You are merciful. Grant them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them, as with Your saints in eternity, because You are merciful.

Requiem for Lent Participants		
Solo Quartet	Whitney McColley, Rhianna Cockrell, Manuel	
	Melendez, Nathan Moon	
Orchestra Members	David Brown and Robyn Tessin, Violins; Nick York,	
	Viola; Michael Hermann, Cello; Nick Thompson and	
	Caleb Cook, Clarinets; Brianna Schoen and Bob Birch,	
	Trumpet	

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God by Miriam Dewhurst and David Petty in loving memory of their mother, Mary Mitchell.

The Peace Candle on the chancel reminds us to pray for the homeless, in our neighborhoods and city, our nation, and in the world where millions are without homes due to war.

Preaching Schedule		
March 20	Dr. Douglas Ottati, McClendon Scholar in Residence	
March 27	Rev. Roger J. Gench	
April 3	Rev. Roger J. Gench	
April 10	Rev. Linda LeSourd Lader	
April 17	Rev. Alice Tewell	

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Liturgist	Courtney Spearman	Kyra Ellis-Moore
Tour Guide	Len Shabman	John O'Brien
Worship Play	Rev. Alice Tewell and	Karen Dunlap and Stacey
	Dawn Hill	Gagosian

	Counters
March 13	John Schultheis and Anders Larsson
March 22	Ruth and Fritz von Fleckenstein
March 29	Jim Martin and Barbara Dornan

#### **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.

Parking has been extended to 3:00 p.m. today.

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 ithierry@erols.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.

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.

Families with Infants and children: Infants and toddlers 4 and under are welcome in the Park Level nursery. Care is provided by licensed, paid professionals. The nursery is open from 8:30 a.m.-12:30p.m. 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 for ages 3-10. During this worship playtime, 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.

If you have been worshipping regularly at the New York Avenue Church and do not yet have a permanent nametag or have somehow mislaid your permanent nametag, please fill out a blank form with your name in the envelopes on either of the nametag kiosks in the narthex and the church entryway on the first floor. You will find your permanent nametag on one of the kiosks on one of the next two Sundays. Nametags are just one more way New York Avenue strives to be a welcoming presence in Washington!