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. Contact Spence Gibbons, pingener@jmu.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. Please contact Tom Kerr or Shumika Bradley at directors@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

New York Avenue Foundation – The NYAF mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need throughout the Washington, D.C. community. Annually, it solicits proposals and awards grants to grassroots nonprofits, including Community Club, to further impact D.C. students. Contact Brian Schimming, nyavefoundation@gmail.com to learn more. Shopping at Amazon? Be sure to select the NYAF as your charity-of-choice at www.smile.amazon.com. Every purchase helps a child in need.

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.

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 Rhoads, robins@yarotor@hotmail.com

The Peace Candle - Visitors are invited to take a Peace Candle home to their congregation. 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, mari1@gmail.com

Triangle Park Committee – Working with the National Park Service to maintain 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, mari1@gmail.com Beth DuMere, bethdemere@earthlink.net or Barry Tindall, bryantindal@verizon.net

NYACP’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 (dhannah@ncsu.edu) or Taylor Allison (taylorallison93@gmail.com)

NYACP Parent’s Listserve – For more information about ministry for infants to high schoolers, to be added to the e-mail list, contact Associate Pastor Alice Tewell (acle.tewell@nyapc.org).

Annual Stewardship - Each of the ministries described on this page, as well as everything that happens at this church, is supported in a theological act, and it is essential to theological interpretation, Union Presbyterian Seminary

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Prelude

"Selections for Bagpipe" Ty Steffey, Piper

Processional

#649 (verses 1, 2, and 5), “Amazing Grace” Traditional American, Lyrics by John Newton

*Lincoln Chimes

All: We declare with joy and trust: Our world belongs to God!

Leader: From the beginning, through all the crises of our times, until God’s kingdom fully comes, God keeps covenant forever.

All: Our world belongs to God! God is King! Let the earth be glad!

Leader: Hallelujah! The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation.

All: Praise the Lord! Let us worship the God of all creation.

*Opening Hymn

#450, “Be Thou My Vision”

Solemn Prayer of Confession

Most merciful and Holy God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not acted with justice towards our neighbor, instead speaking with false words and hearts of hate. We have failed to love You, turning our backs on others, choosing to act only for our own self-interest. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response

All are invited to join in morning, as we sing, by following the leader.

#591, (Refrain), “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!”

Halle, Halle

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson
Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18, page 102, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, pages 191-192, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

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.

*Prayer of Dedication
We dedicate our gifts to You, O God. Help us to use them to glorify You; to be vessels of Your work in this world. Guide our leaders as they prepare us financially for the upcoming year. Use us, O God, to do your work in this world. Encourage us to see that we are all ministers called into the Body of Christ. Use us in our service. We pray over these gifts, blessing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

III. The Community Responds to the Word

*Sermon Hymn
#203, “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”
Chereponi

Concerns of the Church
Moment for Mission
Stewardship

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings

Offertory
8:45 a.m. Please gather around the table for giving and prayer.
11:00 a.m. “Praise to the Lord”
Lohet den Herrn, arr. Radelife

*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 Trinity God, whom we adore. Amen.

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*Sending Hymn
#749, “Come! Live in the Light!”
We Are Called
1 Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain
We are called to act with justice.
We are called to love tenderly.
We are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.

2 Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless,
so hatred and violence will be no more! Refrain

3 Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we’ll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers united in love! Refrain

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response
Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude
“Selections for Bagpipe”
Tylor Steffey, Piper

*The Call to Worship was adapted from liturgy for Reformation Sunday from the Presbyterian Church. The Prayer of Dedication was adapted from blog preachersnomics.com
We wish to thank Tyler Steffey for his participation in worship this morning.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the singers, musicians, and choral directors in the NYAPC choir and their Music Director, Stan Engebretson.

The red rose on the Communion Table today is to welcome and celebrate the birth on October 9 of Patrick Wesley Fowkes, son of Jen and Josh Fowkes.

The Peace Candle on the chancel reminds us to pray for the fallen — men and women in our military, those killed by senseless gun violence, those lost to natural disasters. We remember and pray.

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