Adult Sunday School

Gathered for Prayer

Today, 10:20 a.m., Lincoln Chapel

Adventures in prayer has become a group of people who gather each Sunday to pray for one another, for the people on the prayer care list, for the church and the world. All questions, joys and concerns are welcome. Come anytime.

Christian Faith and Practice

January 13, 20, 27, 10 a.m.

This course will cover the basics of the Christian faith with an emphasis on how the faith has evolved in our contemporary context and how it can be practiced in our lives. We will cover subjects such as the nature of theology, the Bible, the Trinity, the person and work of Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, and how these notions have changed in our modern setting. We will also talk about how each of these notions can shape the way we practice our faith. Led by Rev. Roger Gench. It will be in the Docherty Center.

Opportunities for Service

7-2-2 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. For more information, Contact Spence Gibbins, spencergibbin@aol.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. Contact Tom Kerr or Shamika Bradley at direction@communityclub.org or go to www.communityclub.org for more information.

New York Avenue Educational Foundation – The NYAEF mission is to be a catalyst of educational advancement for youth in need in the Washington, DC. community. Annually, it solicits proposals and awards grants to grassroots nonprofit Community Club, to further impact DC students. Visit https://nyaef.org to learn more or contact Brian Schimming at nyaeinbox@gmail.com. Shopping at Amazon? Select the NYAEF as your charity-of-choice through this link https://smile.amazon.com. Federal employees/retirees please consider giving through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC #25839) at https://cfcgiving.opm.gov.

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. Donations can be left at the rear of the Sanctuary and front desk.

Worship Service

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

People: And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Holy Spirit, whose grace has pardoned me, and who has promised to give me a share in his kingdom.

Leader: Let us pray to God.

People: God of all glory, you look from heaven and see us as we are - not worthy to kneel at your feet, not ready to welcome your way. Forgive us, gracious God. In Christ, stooop down to save us; loosen the ties that bind us to sin and set us free to love and serve you; in Jesus name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response

#82, “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Traditional

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. [Repeat]

* A Brief Statement of Faith

(Pages 37-38, “Glory to God” hymnal)

*Please stand, if able
II. The Community Hears the Word of God

First Lesson
Isaiah 42:1-7, page 630, NRSV

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*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.

*Prayers of the People

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.

*Commissionsing to Ministry and Benediction

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Trumpet Tune”
Robert Lau

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Participants in Worship

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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.

LARGE PRINT bulletins are now available for our worship services, including enlarged copies of the hymns. Please pick one up if it’s helpful to you, or ask a Deacon usher.

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. Contact Joe Thierry at josephthierry@gmail.com or 703-568-5138 for more information.

Tours: Meet a tour guide at the front of the Sanctuary following the service to tour the building and learn about our congregation’s heritage, current ministry, and outreach.

Garage Parking: Free self-parking is available on Sundays in the garage next to the church at 1309 New York Avenue until 1 p.m. Please park in any non-reserved space.

Nursery and Quiet Spaces for Families with small children: We are so happy to have infants and children in worship with us. Our nursery, located in Room 317 (3rd Floor), is an option for babies and children 4 years and under. Licensed, paid professionals provide care. The nursery is open from 8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Parents are invited to feed their children in the sanctuary or if you prefer some privacy and a quiet place, we have some additional seating in the balcony area (3rd floor). You are also invited to use the meditation room located inside of the library on the 1st floor, as well as Alice and Stan’s outer office on the 2nd floor (sanctuary level). There is a single stall restroom with a changing table in that space.

Worship and Worship Play: We want children to feel included in worship and believe that they are a vital part of our community of faith. Being in worship together can help children understand God’s love and their identity as children of God. During our worship services, children’s worship bulletins, crayons and books are available in the rear of the Sanctuary. During the sermon time, helpers offer Worship Play for ages 3-10.

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 NYAPC and do not yet have a permanent nametag or have misplaced yours, please fill out a blank form with your name in the envelopes on either nametag kiosk in the narthex and the permanent nametag or have mislaid yours, please fill out a blank form with your name in the envelopes on either nametag kiosk in the narthex and the permanent nametag. Tours are given to the glory of God in appreciation of the volunteers who serve on the Board of Trustees.

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*Sending Hymn

#475, “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
Nettleton

1 Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melody of love, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it, mount of God’s unchanging love!

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I’m come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

3 O grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here’s my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

*Prayer of Dedication

We give you thanks, O God, for every blessing and spiritual gift you have poured out upon us. Let the gifts of our lives be a source of blessing in your world, all to the glory of your holy name. 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.