Opportunities for Service

July 28: Postfix after church and farewell to Kasey Kelly, our Young Adult Volunteer; No adult church school at 9 a.m.
August 4 - September 1: No adult church school

Celebration of Worship
Following Christ into places of brokenness and joy, NYAPC will do justice, treat all with kindness and mercy, and walk humbly with God.
July 21, 2019
10:00 a.m.
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude
“Adagio,” from First Organ Sonata
Felix Mendelssohn

Introit
“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”
Arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1900

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gatherings for Worship

*Call to Worship
Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!
Leader: We gather this day from a week filled with needs and demands.
All: We come to find rest and renewal of our spirits.
Leader: Open our hearts in love to hear the voice of God.
All: We want to quietly rest in God’s presence, free from the clamor of the world.
Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Amen.

*Opening Hymn
#327, “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”
Last Uts Erfreuen

Prayer of Confession
Dear God, We come here with so many important issues and worries on our minds. We have work to do. People to care for. There’s so much that’s wrong in our world. There’s so much to do. We often feel burdened, overworked, or overwhelmed. Sometimes we dive into the work, forgetting the people around us. Sometimes we turn away from the work, covering our eyes. Forgive us. Forgive us when we feel helpless. Forgive our attempts to go it alone. Forgive our imperfect attempts to love. Forgive us for forgetting You. Amen.

Silent Confession
Assurance of Pardon
*Passing of the Peace
*Response

#288 “Spirit of the Living God”
Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
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Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
*Please stand, if you are able
**II. The Community Responds to the Word of God**

**First Lesson**
Genesis 18:1-10a, page 13, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

**Anthem**
“How Can I Keep From Singing?”
Arr. Sally DeFord and James Loynes
Nathan Moon, Soloist

**Time for Children and Their Friends**
Lake 10: 38-42, page 67, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

**Second Lesson**
“Rescuing Martha”
Meg Hanna House, Ruling Elder

**III. The Community Responds to the Word**

**Sermon Hymn**
#451, “Open My Eyes”
Truth

1. Open my eyes, that I may see
   glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
   Place in my hands the wonderful key
   that shall unclasp and set me free.
   Silently now I wait for thee,
   ready, my God, thy will to see.
   Open my eyes; illumine me,
   Spirit divine!

2. Open my ears, that I may hear
   voices of truth thou sendest clear.
   And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
   everything false will disappear.
   Silently now I wait for thee,
   ready, my God, thy will to see.
   Open my ears; illumine me,
   Spirit divine!

3. Open my mouth, and let me bear
   gladly the warm truth everywhere.
   Open my heart, and let me prepare
   love with thy children thus to share.
   Silently now I wait for thee,
   ready, my God, thy will to see.
   Open my heart; illumine me,
   Spirit divine!

**Sending Hymn**
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.

**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.

**Mission Statement:** The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church is an inclusive community of faith in the heart of Washington DC, furthering God’s transforming work, challenging the powerful, standing with the oppressed, lifting up the broken-hearted, and making God’s love and justice visible by welcoming and loving all.

**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 josephinihierts@gmail.com or 703-568-5158 for more information.

**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.

**Tours**
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**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 337 (3rd Floor), is an option for babies and children 4 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 a dedicated nursing-pumping-caregiving—mediation room within the library on the 1st Floor. There is also space and comfortable chairs in the balcony area (3rd floor) as well as Alice and Sean’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 waving, it is an expression of joy in the moment and our connections with sisters and brothers in faith.