Adult Sunday School

Gathered for Prayer: Today, 9:20 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.

September 8, 10:00 a.m., PMH

Professor Jennifer Harvey of Drake University, McClendon Scholar-in-Residence, will explore the implications of her recent book, Raising White Kids: Bringing up Children in a Racially Undifferentiated America.

September 15, 10:00 a.m., Lincoln Parlor

The Rev. Elmarie Parker, PC(USA) Regional Liaison for Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, will offer an update on current challenges and opportunities the Church faces in the Middle East.

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 Phil Tolevsky, ptollevas@gmail.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 Karr or Shamina 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 nonprofits, including Community Club, to further impact DC students. Visit https://nyaeft.org or contact Brian Sinning at nyafe@nyaeft.org. Shopping at Amazon? Select the NYAEF as your charity of choice through this link: https://amazonSmile.amazon.com. Federal employees/retirees please consider giving through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC #25839) at https://cfcvoting.org.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. Donation baskets are at the rear of the Sanctuary and front desk.

Radcliffe Room Ministry – Come join our homeless guests, Sundays, 8:15/9:45 a.m., for hymns singing, refreshments and socializing. Donations of umbrellas, rain gear, clothing, toiletries, and transportation money are needed. Contact Eleanor Robins, eleanorrobins@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, contact Marilyn Seiber, mjs1wan2@gmail.com.

Triangle Park Committee – Working with the National Park Service, we are maintaining and overseeing 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, mjs1wan2@gmail.com or Barry Tindall, barrytindall@verizon.net.

NYAPC’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 (hshannon@nec.edu) or Taylor Allison (taylorallen97@gmail.com).

NYAPC Parent’s Liason – For more information about ministry for infants to high schoolers, or to be added to the email list, contact Associate Pastor Alice Tewell (alice.tewell@nyapc.org).

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 Lance Jameson, the church Senior Accountant, Helen Anthony, the chair of the Annual Stewardship Committee, or Rev. Roger Gensch, the Senior Pastor, for more information, questions, or to make your pledge.

Volunteers are needed to staff the welcome table in the narthex, 20-30 minutes before a Sunday service greeting and then 15-20 minutes after, to chat with visitors and members during coffee time. For more details, visit https://bit.ly/4SPA96 or contact Helen Anthony hshannon@nec.edu or Paul Dornan pdornan@nyapc.org.

Worship Service – Are you interested in ushering or serving as a liturgist during Sunday service? Please contact John Yoder at jyoder@gmail.com ( ushering) or Mark Zaineddin at mzaineddin@gmail.com (liturgy) for more information.

Celebration of Worship

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

September 1, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude

“Air in D Major”

Henry Purcell

Introtu

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Sy Miller & Jill Jackson

Whitney McCollery, Soloist

+ Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: What does this worship service need?

People: Quiet where faith can grow, songs that blossoms hope, scripture that remembers love, honest words to untangle a small length of knotty existence, gifts offering service of the heart.

Leader: Who shall come to this worship service?

People: All who seek prayer and worship and all who seek after the knowledge and presence of God.

+Opening Hymn

#20, verses 1-2, 4 “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

Royal Oak

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, giver of blessings, we thank you for the mercies we know, and ask your forgiveness when we fail to acknowledge you as the source of all good.

When we hoard your gifts,

When we say, “that’s mine,”

When we ignore the bounty around us,

When are blind to the good,

Forgive us. Help us to share, to see, to live gratefully.

Through Christ we pray. Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

+Passing of the Peace

+Response

#70, “What Does the Lord Require of You?" 

Moon

What does the Lord require of you?

What does the Lord require of you?

Justice, kindness, 

Walk humbly with your God.

To seek justice and love kindness 

And walk humbly with your God.

+Please stand, if able

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We’ve had not always loved you back, but you are patient and persistent, helping us to turn back to you, sending us prophets to remind us of your word, sending your Son Jesus to us to reach out to us and claim us and bring us back to you, our true home. And so in praise and thanksgiving we join our voices to those of the heavenly host, who sing in your glory, saying:

Response

#595, “Holy, Holy, Holy”
Argentine Santo

Holy, holy, holy, My heart you adore you!
My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord!

Blessed are you, O God, and blessed is Jesus Christ, God made flesh. He showed us the path of repentance that lays out the way of salvation. He walked that path with us, and beckons us on as we follow him to you. And in, trusting in him who leads us, and with humility before you our Creator, we give you thanks for the gift of bread and cup, and ask that by the power of your Spirit you transform them from their ordinary use to their sacred use today. Feed us, heal us, inspire us, encourage us with the bread of life and cup of salvation, that we will be empowered to be your people at work and ministry in the world. We lift up those in this congregation so the Care-Prayer list… …In this time, we lift up our prayers for the world and this church both praying them out loud from our pores and identity in the depths of our hearts….Lord hear our prayers. We give you thanks and praise, O God. We give you our lives, even as you give us life. And now hear us as we are bold to say together the prayer that Jesus taught….

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.

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

Participants in the commission proceed down the aisles to the servers to take communion by intinction. After you receive communion, please return to your pew via the side aisles. Those unable to come forward will be offered the bread and the cup at their seats. (The Gluten Free offering is in the middle upfront pew via the side aisles. Those unable to come forward will be offered the bread and the cup at their seats.)

Prayer After Communion

O God our mystery, you bring us to life, call us to freedom, and move between us with love. Having been nourished at your table, may we go into your wondrous and diverse world to tear down walls of exclusion, to confront powers and principalities, to live and love boldly in the promise of your resurrection. Amen.

*Sending Hymn

#22, verses 1,2,6 “God of the Sparrow”
Roeder

1 God of the sparrow
God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise

2 God of the earthquake
God of the storm
God of the trumpet blast
How does the creature cry Woe
How does the creature cry Save