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.

Today, 10:00 a.m., Dochey Center
Dr. Bruce Douglass, former Director of the Reformed Institute and Associate Professor of Government at Georgetown University, will lead a two-week series on “Religion and Nationalism Since the Protestant Reformation”.

October 27, November 3 and 10, 10:00 a.m., Dochey Center
What’s Gentle About Gentrification? Dominic Moulden of ONE DC (Organizing Neighborhood Equity) will lead a discussion about the cultural displacement of long-time Black communities in DC as mixed-income redevelopment occurs. Kelsey Gardens in Shaw and Brookland Manor in Brookland will illustrate the intentional break-up of 30-year communities of color. Dominic has worked over 30 years in community organizing in DC, and has lectured at Georgetown University and numerous symposia around the country. In Weeks 2 and 3 the class will look at alternative models for community-controlled development, and the threat of massive loss of public housing in DC.

Opportunities for Service

- 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 Kar or Shamina Bradley at director@communityclubdc.org or go to www.communityclubdc.org for more information.
- New York Avenue Educational Foundation - 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://nyaef.org or email contact Brian Schmunning at brian.clark@nyaef.org; Shopping at Amazon? Select 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. Donation baskets are at the rear of the Sanctuary and front desk.
- Rockcliffe 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 Robbins, robbinslana01@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, mj14van2@gmail.com.
- 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 times a year, conduct business via email, and schedule work days as needed. Contact Marilyn Seiber, mj14van2@gmail.com or Barry Tindall, b.tindall@verizon.net.
- NYAFC’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 shanton@ncsu.edu or Taylor Allison (taylorallison3@gmail.com).
- NYAFC Parent’s Layserve – For more information about ministry for kids to high school, please add to the email list, contact Associate Pastor Alice Twell (alice.twell@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, 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 Jamieson, the church Senior Accountant, Helen Anthony, the chair of the Annual Stewardship Committee, 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 http://bit.ly/1OPRHE or contact Helen Anthony shanton@ncsu.edu or Paul Dorman paul.dorman@nyapc.org.
- Worship Service – Are you interested in ushering or serving as a liturgist during Sunday service? Please contact John Yoder at vodrie@ gmail.com (usher) or Mark Zaineddin at zaineddin@hotmail.com (liturgy) for more information.

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.

October 13, 2019
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude - Soutasulia from “Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit,” BWV 106

J. S. Bach

Introit - “Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!”
Traditional Gospel

• Lincoln Chimies

I. The Community Gatherings for Worship

*Call to Worship

(Leaves on Psalm 66)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
Sing praises to the highest heavens.

All: How awesome are your deeds;
We witness to your power every day.

Leader: God has done amazing things,
seeing your people through the worst burdens
bringng us to lands of spaciousness and beauty.

All: We will make offerings of our time and talents to you, O God,
for you have listened to the words of our hearts and our prayers.
Your love is steadfast. Amen.

*Opening Hymn
#388, “Come All You People”
Uyai Bose
(first in English and then in Shona)

Prayer of Confession
(based on Jeremiah 29 and Psalm 66)

God, we remember times of blessing in our lives: when we have been released from suffering and despair, when we have been freed to reclaim life and hope; but we also remember times of hardship: when we have been cast out into deep waters, when we have been banished in exile from the world we call home.
God of offerings, it is hard to claim the hope and promise of the past in the presence of today’s troubles. Meet us today with your good news that we may be renewed by the power of your presence. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Grace

*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 rise in body or in spirit
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.

*Sending Hymn

#654, “In the Lord I’ll be Ever Thankful”
Traditional
(Sing three times)
In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful;
In the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.
Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

*Comissioning to Ministry and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

“Prelude and Fugue in C Major,” BWV 553
J. S. Bach

*The Prayer of Confession is from Ministry Matters, resources for October 13, 2019.

We wish to thank Nathan Moon for his participation in worship this morning. The anthems are drawn from a new book co-edited by Stan Engelbrethsen entitled “Hallelujah! Gospels and Spirituals.” Published in 2018, it has become a popular collection for foreign choirs throughout Europe, especially Germany where Dr. Engelbrethsen just introduced it to their national choral convention in September.

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

The Peace Candle in the chancel is lit in honor of the Jewish congregations around the world, that anti-Semitic acts of violence would end.