Adult Sunday School

Gathered for Prayer January 19, 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.

January 19, 10:00 a.m.

“The Ministry of Peter Marshall at New York Avenue”

Seventy years after Peter Marshall’s death visitors from across the nation and from other countries come to NYAPC to visit the congregation where he was the senior pastor from 1937 until his death. Who was the Peter Marshall? What accounts for this continu...
II. The Community Heears the Word of God
First Lesson
Matthew 3:13-17, page 3, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.


Anthem
“Guide My Feet”
Traditional Spiritual, arr. Graves


Time for Children and Their Friends
Second Lesson
Isaiah 42:1-9, page 630, NRSV
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.


III. The Community Responds to the Word


*Sermon Hymn
#466, “Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”
Kingdom


Ordination and Installation of Officers with Affirmation of Faith


Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings


Offertory
“New Songs of Celebration Render”
Rendez a Dieu, Bourgeois, 1551, arr. Ferguson


*Response
#207, “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.


*Prayer of Dedication
God of hope, we give thanks for these gifts given in your name to your church. We pray that these gifts may be used to uplift those who suffer, to guide those seeking your wisdom, and empower those seeking to serve in your name. Amen.


Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer


*Sending Hymn
#488, “I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry”
Watetille


1 "I was there to hear your borning cry,
I’ll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well.
In a blaze of light you wandered off
to find where demons dwell."


2 "When you heard the wonder of the Word
I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord,
to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time
and you join your hearts as one,
I’ll be there to make your verses rhyme
from dusk ‘til rising sun."


3 In the middle ages of your life,
not too old, no longer young,
I’ll be there to guide you through the night,
complete what I’ve begun.
When the evening gently closes in,
and you shut your weary eyes,
I’ll be there as I have always been
with just one more surprise."


4 "I was there to hear your borning cry,
I’ll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold."


*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction


*Congregational Response
Alleluia! Amen!


Postlude
“The Heavens Declare, Psalm XIX”
Benedetto Marcello


*The Call to Worship is from holdfasttowhatisgood.com


The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in appreciation of the volunteers who serve on the Board of Trustees.


The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for peace and all good things in the New Year, that we will remember to be kind to our neighbors near and far, count our blessings, and love one another in God’s good creation.


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 josephthierry@gmail.com or 703-568-5158 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 1399 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 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 nursery/pumping-caregiving 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 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.