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, those 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.

“The Ministry of Peter Marshall at New York Avenue”
Seventh 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 continuing interest in his life and time at NYAPC? How should we understand his ministry as part of the history of NYAPC? In this class, David Powell and Len Shabnam will address these and other questions.

January 26, 10:00 a.m.

“New York Avenue’s Role in the Poor People’s Campaign”
New York Avenue served as the Information Center for the 1968 Poor People’s Campaign. Paul Dorman and John O’Brien will focus on what happened in this building and how those activities affected that special episode in our nation’s history.

February 2, 10:30 a.m.

“Cuba Partners Bible Study”
Several times a year the members of First Church of Havana and of its sister congregations in the United States, including New York Avenue, simultaneously study the same Bible passages and then share the insights at which they have arrived with the other.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in appreciation for civil rights leaders everywhere and in memory of Martin Luther King, Jr. (1929–1968).

The Peace Candle in the chancel reminds us to pray for equality and justice for all of God’s people, especially in honor and rememberance of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his devotion and dedication to fostering love and understanding in our world.

Participants in Worship

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Liturgist
Paul Dorman
Len Shabnam

Tour Guide
Spenzie Gibbins
Len Shabnam

Worship Play
Karen Dunlap
Karen Dunlap

Counters
Martha Davis and James Martin

Opportunities for Service

7-29 Club – Enjoy a Wednesday evening chat (yes, from 7 to 9 p.m.), September through June, with guests recovering from mental illness. There are games, entertainment, refreshments and discussion for making friends. For more information, contact Phil Telleyan, ptelleyan@post.harvard.edu.

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 director@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 classroom nonprofits, including Community Club to further impact DC students. Visit https://nyae.org to learn more or contact Brian Schmunning at bschmunning@gmail.com. Shopping at Amazon? Select the NYAEF as your charity-of-choice through this link: https://smile.amazon.com. Federal employee/retirees please consider giving through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC #25889) at https://cfgev.cq.org/

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 Rooms 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, robbineleanor@hotmail.com.

The Peace Candle
Invitations are invited to take a Peace Candle home to their congregations. Candles are at the back, right 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, mtleung@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 4-6 times a year, conduct business via email, and schedule work days as needed. Contact Marilyn Seiber, mtleung@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 (shantohno@ncsu.edu) or Taylor Allison (taylorallison79@gmail.com).

NYAPC Parent’s Listserve – 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, for more information, questions, or to make your pledge.

Volunteers are needed to staff the worship 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/1D0P6jk or contact Helen Anthony shantohno@ncsu.edu or Paul Dorman pbdornanp@aol.com.

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

Celebration of Worship

Following Christ into places of brokenness and joy, NYAPC will do justice, treat all with wisdom and grace, and walk humbly with God.

January 19, 2020
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude
“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”
Tune: Marion, arr. Jones

Welcome and Announcements

Introit
“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”
Ken Medema

*Lincoln Chimes

I. The Community Gatherings for Worship

*Call to Worship
Leader: I am sick and tired
Tune: Fanny Lou Hamer

All: of being sick and tired.
Leader: You must be bold, brave and courageous
Tune: John Lewis

All: and find a way…to get in the way.
Leader: Faith is taking the first step
Tune: Martin Luther King, Jr.

All: even when you don’t see the whole staircase.
Leader: …whenever there is chaos,
Tune: Sptina Poisette Clark

All: it creates wonderful thinking
Leader: I consider chaos a gift.
Tune: Michael Eric Dyson

All: when it speaks in public.

*Opening Hymn
#406, “We Are Standing on Holy Ground”
Tune: Holy Ground

Prayer of Confession
Leader: We confess, O God, that we have neglected members of your family
Tune: Brian Karr

All: We have neglected to speak up for justice.
Leader: We confess, O God, that we color you,
Tune: Helen Seiber

gender you, and nationalize you
Leader: All: We have behaved as if you solely belong to us,
Tune: Brian Karr

refusing to recognize that you are the God of all.
Leader: We confess that we have participated in a flawed system,
Tune: Brian Karr

one that privileges some and disadvantages others,
Leader: All: Forgive us for the things we have said,
Tune: Brian Karr

and the things we have left unsaid.
Leader: Give us the strength to speak up for racial justice,
Tune: Brian Karr

All: Forgive us for the things we have done,
Tune: Brian Karr

and the things we have left undone.
Leader: Give us the strength to love the intercultural community of God,
Tune: Brian Karr

All: Forgive us for our inaction,
Tune: Brian Karr

based on our uncertainty in a course of action.
Leader: Lead us to a new beginning,
Tune: Brian Karr

where love and faithfulness meet together,
Leader: All: where righteousness and peace will kiss.
Tune: Brian Karr

*Please rise in body or in spirit
Silent Confession  
*Passing of the Peace of Christ  
*Response of Praise  

**#839, (verse 1)** “Blessed Assurance”  
**Assurance**  
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of His Spirit, washed in His blood  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  

II. The Community Hears the Word of God  
First Lesson  
(Jesu Abbey Worship Book, pg 216)  

Psalm 37  
Leader:  
Don’t be anxious because of the wicked,  
don’t envy those who do wrong.  
They will wither as quickly as grass,  
and fade like the flowers of the field.  

All:  
Trust in God and do good;  
settle down and be at peace.  
Let God be your deep delight  
and give you your heart’s desire.  

Leader:  
Give your life over to God  
who will bring out the best in you.  
Your integrity will be clear  
as bright as the moon on a clear day.  

All:  
Be still in the presence of God,  
calm yourself and wait patiently;  
don’t be jealous of those who get rich  
or be vexed by those who are devious.  

Leader:  
Stop ranting, control your rage;  
blind anger gives birth to trouble.  
The wicked will be driven out;  
the land will belong to the humble.  

All:  
Turn from evil, love what is good,  
and you will be at peace;  
God is a lover of justice  
who will never abandon the faithful.  

Leader:  
This is the word of the Lord.  

All:  
Thanks be to God.  

Anthem  
“Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen”  
Thomas Gabriel  

Time for Children and Their Friends  
Second Lesson  
Matthew 4:1-11, page 3, NRSV  
Leader:  
This is the word of the Lord.  

All:  
Thanks be to God.  

Sermon  
Rev. Dr. Heather G. Shordidge  

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

**#726, “Will You Come and Follow Me”**  
Kelvingrove  

Affirmation of Faith  
(adapted from The Belhar Confession)  
Leader:  
We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ;  
All:  
that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells;  
that God’s liberaing Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irrecconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God’s liberaing Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world;  
that the credibility of this message is seriously affected and its beneficial work obstructed when it is proclaimed in a land which professes to be Christian, but in which the enforced separation of people on a racial basis promotes and perpetuates alienation, hatred and enmity;  
that any teaching which attempts to legitimate such forced separation by appeal to the gospel, and is not prepared to venture on the road of obedience and reconciliation, but rather,  
out of prejudice, fear, selfishness and unbelief, denies in advance the reconciling power of the gospel, must be considered ideology and false doctrine.  

Leader:  
Therefore, we reject any doctrine which, in such a situation sanctions in the name of the gospel or of the will of God  
All:  
the forced separation of people, on the grounds of race and color and thereby in advance obstructs and weakens the ministry and experience of reconciliation in Christ.  
To the one and only God, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.  

Giving of Morning Tithes and Offerings  

**Offertory**  

*8:45 a.m.* Place gather around the table for giving and prayer.  

*11:00 a.m.* “When the Saints Go Marching In”  
Traditional, arr. Rutter  

*Response*  

**#667, “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 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  
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*  
**#853, “We Are Marching in the Light of God”**  

1 We are marching in the light of God;  
We are marching in the light of God;  
We are marching in the light of God;  
We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching, marching,  
We are marching,  
We are marching in the light of, The light of God,  
We are marching, marching,  
We are marching,  
We are marching in the light of God.  

2 We are singing in the light of God...  

3 We are living in the light of God...  

*Commissioning to Ministry and Benediction  
*Congregational Response  

Alleluia! Amen!  

Postlude  
“It’s Gonna Sing/ Ain’t-a That Good News?”  
Arr. Shackley  

*The Prayer of Confession was written by Rhashell D. Hunter, 2015.*  

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.  

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 joetheatheri@hotmail.com or 703-568-5156 for more information.  

Tours: Come to Abraham Lincoln’s family pew immediately after the service for a 30-minute presentation to learn about our congregation’s history, heritage and current ministry.  

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 307 (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 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.