

You Belong Here.

From where you are now to where you are going.
From the beliefs you carry to the doubts you know.
From where you sleep to the place you call home.
From whom you love to how you identify.
You are seen, known, and loved by God
and all parts of you are celebrated here.

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God in honor of the members of the Board of Trustees as they diligently manage the church's building, investments, and operations.

(To dedicate flowers for Worship, email kirstin.beck@nyapc.com)

Prelude

Prelude on 'LAUDES DOMINI'
Gerhard Krapf

Words of Welcome

*The Lincoln Chimes
*Please rise in body and or spirit

Our tradition is to stand when the Westminster chimes play at the beginning of each service. The bells in the church tower were given by the Robert Lincoln family in memory of President Lincoln, who regularly worshiped here.

*Call to Worship
One: Rise up! Let your light shine!
All: God's faithfulness is sure.
One: Rise Up! Let your light shine!
All: God's mercy is without end.
One: Rise up! Let your light shine! Let us worship God!

*Hymn

When Morning Gilds the Skies

#667

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession
One: God of Endless Mercy, we are often swallowed up
by our judgment and divisiveness,
All: pointing fingers and preferring our own tribe,
filling our lives with things that do not save us.
One: We are often swept away by the floods of our own making,
All: polluting your creation, neglecting to be faithful
stewards of the earth.
One: We often vilify people and lead lives of violence,
All: wishing others harm instead of walking the pathways
of compassion and peace.
One: Lord, have mercy, for we have fallen short of your glory.
All: Christ, have mercy, for we are broken and need
your grace and new beginnings.
One: Lord, have mercy upon us and hear us as we pray
in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.
All: Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace
One: Friends in Jesus Christ, know this: the mercy of God is
from everlasting to everlasting, and I remind you of this
surpassing grace –in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
All: Alleluia! Amen.

*Passing of the Peace
One: May the peace of Christ be with you!
All: And also with you!

Please share signs of Christ's peace with your neighbor.

*Response of Praise

Heaven Is Singing for Joy!

#382

Choir:Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia,
for in your life and in mine
is shining the glory of God.
All: Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!
Choir:Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia,
for your life and mine
unite in the love of our God.
All: Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5:1-9

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Time with Children
Children of all ages are invited to come forward.

Second Scripture Lesson

Jonah 4:11

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Rise Up: Mercy"
Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson, Senior Pastor

*Hymn

There's a Wideness In God's Mercy

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Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings
Scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin to give online.

Offertory

Too Often, God, Your Name Is Used
Thomas Troeger & Sally Ann Morris

*Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #607
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

Prayers of the People
One: Lord, in your mercy,
All: hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer
. . . God, our Parent and our Friend, our Mother and . . .

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.

*Hymn

Light Dawns On a Weary World

#79

*Benediction

All: Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

"Sanctify Us By Thy Goodness"
from Cantata No. 22, J.S. Bach

Worship Team

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson
Associate Pastor: Rev. Rachel Pacheco
Parish Associate: Rev. Dr. Beth Braxton
Liturgist: Matthew Weitz
Music: NYAPC Sanctuary Choir, Paul Vasile,
Jenete St. Clair
Tech: Joe Thierry, D'Mitre Powell, Jorn White

This Sunday

8:15 am: Radcliffe Room breakfast
9:15 am: Prayer group
10 am: Worship
11:30 am: Coffee Fellowship Time
(in the back of the Sanctuary)
11:30 am: New Member Class
(in the Lincoln Parlor, on the first floor)

Children Information

Children are welcome, including all their excitement and noises. There is **dedicated children's space** in the back of the sanctuary with supplies and space for kids to wiggle. At each sanctuary entrance, there are brightly colored **worship kits** that children may borrow and use through worship at their seats. During worship, there is a **children's moment** when children are invited forward. Afterwards, children ages 3 through 3rd grade are invited to go to **Worship Play**, returning after the sermon.

Our **nursery** is available through worship on the 3rd floor for families with kids up to 4 years old.

Things to Know During Worship

When **bulletins are waved** during worship at NYAPC, it is a sign of appreciation for the music or other contributions to worship. This tradition was first learned and celebrated from our partner church in Cuba, First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana.

If there is an **asterisk (*) printed** next to an item, we are inviting you to please rise in body and or spirit.

Restrooms

All-gender restrooms are located through the double red doors next to the large golden eagle.

Sunday Morning Parking

Free self-parking is available until 1 pm in the garage next to the church at **1399 New York Ave.** Please park in any non-reserved space.

Accessibility

An **accessible entrance** is located on the ground floor on the New York Ave side of the building, which also provides access to an elevator serving all floors.

Assisted Listening Devices are provided at the rear of the sanctuary. This system includes a compact wireless receiver and headphones. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a t-coil, you can connect it to the receiver using an adapter. If you need any help with this, please don't hesitate to ask one of our ushers.

Language for God

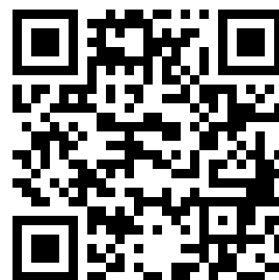
At NYAPC, we strive to use inclusive and expansive language for God. While many traditional prayers and hymns use gender-specific language for God, we seek to embrace the many reflections of our Creator found through scripture. In doing so, we embody what it means to be the body of Christ.

Giving

The ministry of NYAPC is made possible entirely through the gifts of dedicated members and friends. It is only through your generosity that the church can fully live into its core mission of 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. **Scan the QR code below to give online.**

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