

The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church
5th Lent: Sunday March 29, 2020
10:00am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Radcliffe Room – serving outdoor Sunday breakfast - 7:30-9am.
Contact Doug Norwood rdnorwood@gmail.com

Lunch for Neighbors in Need – Monday-Friday – 12-1:30pm in Triangle Park
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4BA9AF2CA1FC1-triangle>

Thank you to Chef Jose Andres and his team at World Central Kitchen (<https://wck.org>) and to the Downtown Business Improvement District (BID) for providing food.

Guest Preacher Rev. John Molina Moore serves as the Executive Presbyter of National Capital Presbytery. An energetic, visionary leader, John has served pastorates at Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church and Calvary Presbyterian Church, both located in Wilmington, Delaware and as Stated Supply Pastor of Northminster Presbyterian Church and Western Presbyterian Church, here in National Capital Presbytery. He’s married to Rev. Amy Molina Moore, who serves as the Associate Rector at St. Columba’s Episcopal Church in D.C. Together, they have two sons, Arthur and Otis.

DIGITAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer
8:00-8:30am
Tuesday March 31
Thursday April 2

Community Book Study
Christianity After Religion
10:00-11:00am
Thursday April 2

Children's Story Time
11:00-11:30am
Tuesday March 31
Thursday April 2

Faith on Tap
7:00-8:00pm
Thursday April 2

Bible Study
12:00-1:00pm
Wednesday April 1

Friday Concert
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for all the details

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE Led by Director of Music, Stan Engebretson

CALL TO WORSHIP Led by Liturgist, Meg Neill

God of new beginnings—
Where there is a need for certainty,
Cultivate peace in us.
Where there is comparison,
Cultivate gentleness in us.
Where there is fear,
Cultivate hope in us.
Where there is doubt,
Cultivate faith in us.
Where there is isolation,
Cultivate worship in us;
For in worship we draw near to you and one another.
Let us worship Holy God.

HYMN #625 O Lord My God vs. 1 and 2
O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you tell us to cultivate compassion,
But too often we hold grudges and keep score.
You tell us to cultivate justice,
But too quickly we forget that we belong to one another.
You tell us to let go of judgment,
But we find stones are too easy to throw.
You tell us to let go of what others think,
But so easily we hold our worth in another's eyes.
Guide our feet, our hearts, and our minds to a better world.
Forgive us when we lose our way.
Gratefully we pray,
Amen.

SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

RESPONSE OF PRAISE God Welcomes All

God welcomes all
Stranger and friends
God's love is strong
And it never ends.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 8 (Iona Abbey Worship Book)

Why God? Why do you keep away?
Why hide yourself when trouble strikes?
The wicked persecute the poor,
and become the cause of their misery.

These villains boast about what they want;
they curse God in their desire to get more.
Listen to their arrogance when they declare,
'God has forgotten who we are and what we do.'

As long as they get their way,
they think they will not be defeated.

Rise up, God, reach out your hand!
Spare a thought for the victims.
They commit themselves to your care;
the helpless see you as their helper.

Defeat the power of the wicked
until they can do no more evil;
put an end to the trouble they cause.

Listen to the pleas of the innocent;
hear them, give them courage.
Bring justice to those who are oppressed;
so that humans cause terror no more.

ANTHEM

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 9:9-13

SERMON: The Rev. John Molina Moore

Please have a candle and a way to light it ready to go in your worship space

SERMON HYMN #726 Will You Come and Follow Me v. 1 and 4

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?

Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

OFFERING & DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Christ all creatures here below

Praise Holy Spirit evermore

Praise Triune God whom we adore.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, You speak of a promised day—
where swords will be beaten into plowshares
and justice will roll down like a mighty stream.
So, we offer you these gifts in hopes
that they might help bring about that day. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BENEDICTION

The Call to Worship, Confession, and Prayer of Dedication is from Sanctified Art.