

The Larchmont Avenue Church

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August 1, 2021

Bulletin for Online and In-Person Worship

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

AUGUST 1, 2021

PRELUDE

Wiegenlied
Debra Whitman, harp

Franz Schubert

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Because we all are summoned to lead lives worthy of God's calling,
**we gather together with patience and love, making every effort
to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.**

Because we know we cannot lead such lives on our own power,
we gather together in one hope, one faith, one baptism, and one Lord.

As we seek the strength, guidance, and training of God,
**we gather together for the building up of Christ's Body,
fed as God's family, around God's table, by the Bread of Life.**

Let us worship God!

*HYMN 410

God Is Calling Through the Whisper

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You are the Bread of Life, O God, and you promise that we will never hunger again.
But we do hunger, O Lord... and often for the wrong things.**

You feed us with grace, but we hunger for achievements.

You offer us peace, but we hunger for control.

You bless us with plenty to share, but we are quick to hoard the gifts we call ours.

**Forgive us, O Bread of Life, and equip us for selfless service in your name. Teach us
to hunger for justice, to strive for equality, to labor for the good of your people with
patience, humility and love, to the glory of Christ our Lord...**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

THE PEACE

The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!
And also with you!

Through your holy Word, O Lord, feed us with the Bread of Life. As you gave manna from the heavens, as you fed thousands with meager morsels, so give us the blessing of your wisdom, so that we might be equipped as saints for the work of ministry, and the whole body of Christ might be built up to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. Amen.

PSALTER

Psalm 42

To the leader. A Maskil of the Korahites.

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, ‘Where is your God?’

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar. Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts; all your waves and your billows have gone over me. By day the Lord commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

I say to God, my rock, ‘Why have you forgotten me? Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?’ As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me continually, ‘Where is your God?’

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:1-8, 11-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ’s gift. Therefore it is said, *‘When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.’*

(Continued)

The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Equipped for Building”

Rev. Bynum

VOLUNTARY

Sonata in F Minor: Andante
Fran Piccone, bassoon

Georg Philipp Telemann

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

...Therefore we praise you, with all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS

(congregation singing)

Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your Glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna in the highest!

Blest is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna in the highest!

... Great is the mystery of faith.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna in the highest!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC

Let Us Break Bread Together
Debra Whitman, harp

Spiritual

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and power and glory forever. Amen.

THE GREAT AMEN

(congregation singing)

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna in the highest!

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Gifts may be shared via:

- Online at lacny.org/giving
- Text: "LarchmontAveChurch" to 73256

Smart phone app: Realm Connect

*HYMN 761

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sonata in F Minor: Vivace
Fran Piccone, bassoon

Georg Philipp Telemann

MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events

Join LAC for a **Hymn Sing!** On August 22, we'll hear the Word of God proclaimed through beloved hymns. Submit your favorites by emailing mmajor@lacny.org or completing our online survey: <https://forms.gle/94GndK8Vo6PMbHXU6>.

We will continue collecting pantry staples throughout the summer for our Mission Partners at HOPE: **cereal, pasta sauce, canned veggies, canned fruits, tuna, rice, and other meals in a can.** The collection bins will be in both the Larchmont Ave and Forest Park Ave foyers, and the office will be open Tuesday-Friday from 9am-5pm to accept donations.

Welcome to Worship

Today's bulletin cover is "Chalice and Bread" by Dr. Ralph F. Wilson.

Christian Education

Save the Date: on August 24, there will be an orientation meeting for parents and students participating in this year's **Confirmation Class**. More details to come!

Sunday School News: Little ones attending in-person can find activity kits in the narthex. We look forward to seeing you all in the fall when weekly Sunday School will resume!

The **Men's Bible Study** will next meet on Thursday, **August 12** at 8:30 a.m. in the Lindsley. Any questions, please email Arthur Washington at ajwash3@outlook.com.

THIS WEEK AT LAC

SUNDAY

10:00 a.m.

AUGUST 1

Worship (Sanctuary / Online)

MONDAY

AUGUST 2

TUESDAY

6:45 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

AUGUST 3

Al Anon (Library / Zoom)

AA (Carhart / Zoom)

WEDNESDAY

11:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

AUGUST 4

Staff Meeting (Lindsley / Zoom)

AA (Zoom)

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m.

AUGUST 5

AA (Carhart / Zoom)

THE LARCHMONT AVENUE CHURCH

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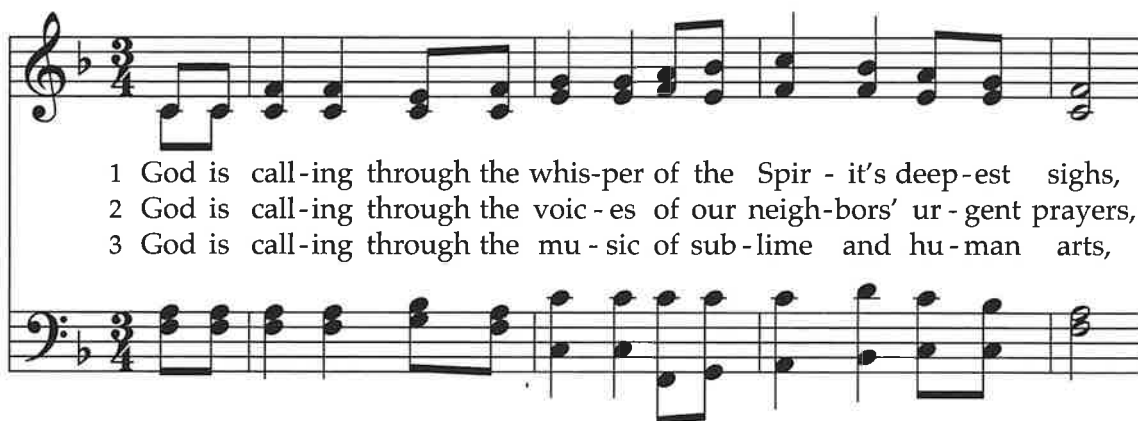
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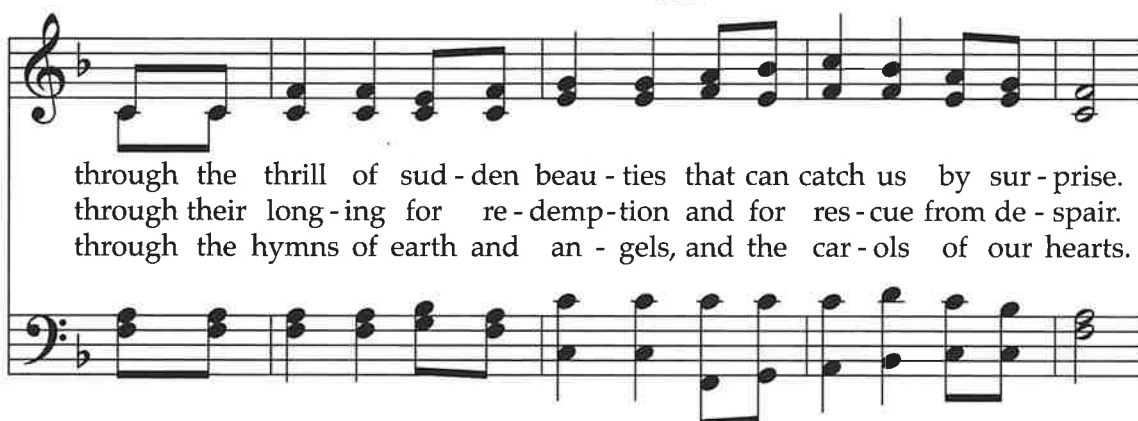
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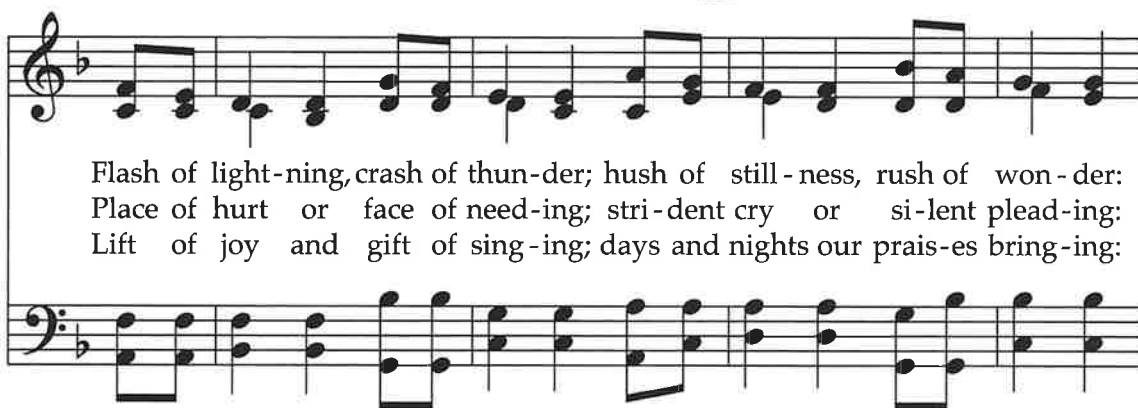
410 God Is Calling through the Whisper



1 God is call-ing through the whis-per of the Spir - it's deep-est sighs,
 2 God is call-ing through the voic-es of our neigh-bors' ur-gent prayers,
 3 God is call-ing through the mu-sic of sub-lime and hu-man arts,



through the thrill of sud-den beau-ties that can catch us by sur-prise.
 through their long-ing for re-demp-tion and for res-cue from de-spair.
 through the hymns of earth and an-gels, and the car-ols of our hearts.



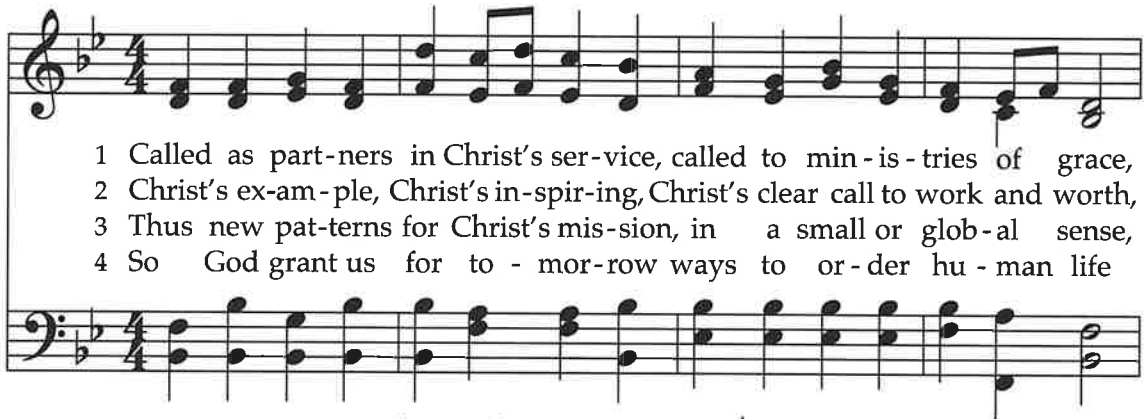
Flash of light-ning, crash of thun-der; hush of still-ness, rush of won-der:
 Place of hurt or face of need-ing; stri-dent cry or si-lent plead-ing;
 Lift of joy and gift of sing-ing; days and nights our prais-es bring-ing:



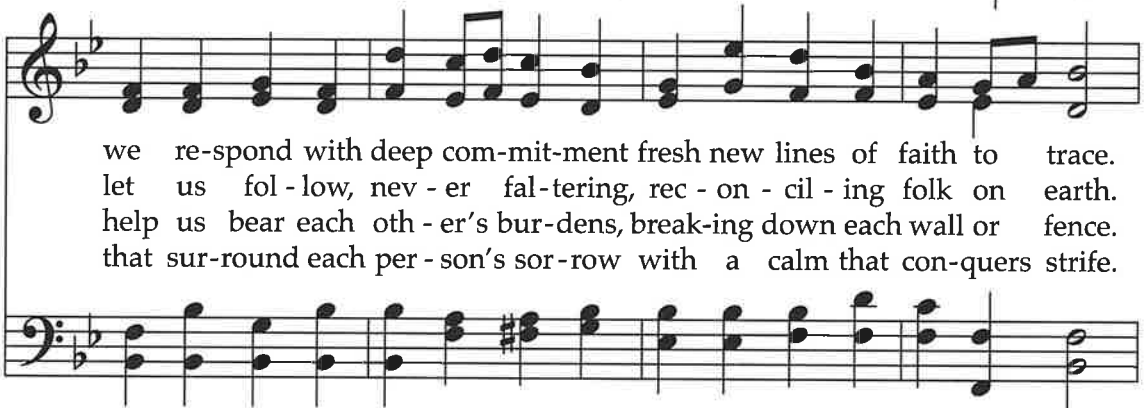
God is call - ing—can you hear? God is call - ing—can you hear?
 God is call - ing—can you hear? God is call - ing—can you hear?
 God is call - ing—and we hear! God is call - ing—and we hear!

This wide-ranging text reminds us of the many surprising and urgent ways God calls to us, both to draw us near and to send us forth. In the third line of music it is especially effective at harnessing the momentum of the phrases that are each a note higher than the one before.

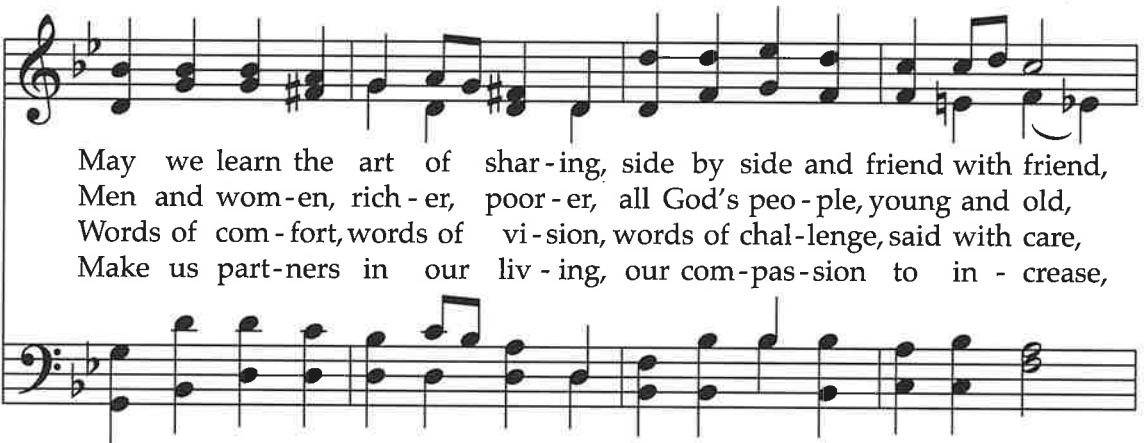
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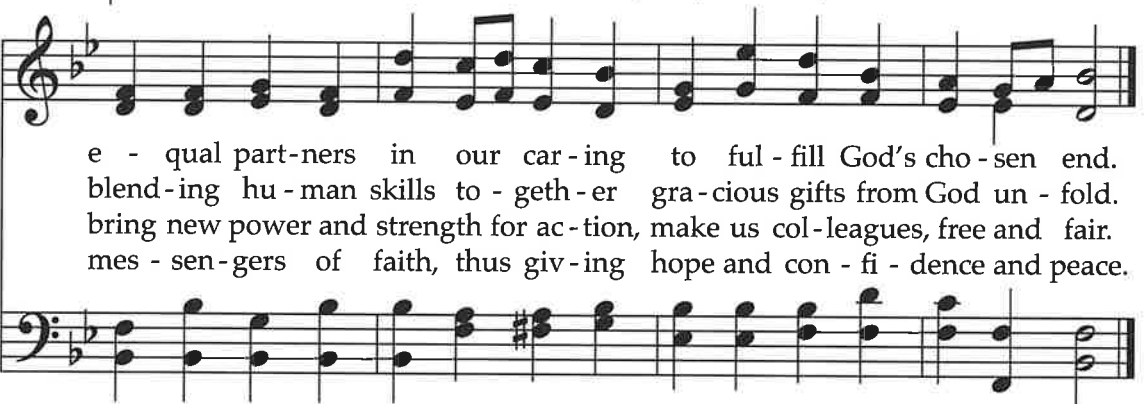
1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life



we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
 help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
 that sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,



e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful-fill God's cho-sen end.
 blend-ing hu-man skills to-gether gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.
 bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
 mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con-fi-dence and peace.

This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.