

The Larchmont Avenue Church

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January 22, 2023

Bulletin for Online and In-Person Worship

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY JANUARY 22, 2023

PRELUDE

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (BEECHER)
Ben Wien & Douglas Kostner, piano

John Zundel

INTROIT

"The Lord Is My Light"

Douglas Kostner

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

As we behold the beauty of God's temple, we see God's face.

God is our shelter and our shade.

Let us sing to the God of our salvation!

*HYMN 234

"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

Christ, our Messiah, you call us to fish for people,

but we are hesitant to leave our boats.

We are afraid to let go of the things we hoard,

believing they make us secure.

We are afraid to put our trust in you, afraid to follow,

afraid we will fail.

Forgive us, Lord. Transform our fear into faithfulness, and enable us to walk with you, that we may be part of your work in the world...

Silence is kept for prayer and reflection.

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, it is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Courtney and Ellie Bowerman

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 9:1-4

Pew Bible OT pg. 638

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

The children of the church are invited to join the pastor on the chancel steps.

ANTHEM

Pescador

Emilio Matéu

Fisherman, passing by the shores of the lake you saw me drying my nets in the sun.

Your glance fell upon my eyes and you entered my life searching for my love.

(Refrain)

Fisherman, in my hands you have put other nets able to gather the best fish for you, and you called me to join you in the boat, Lord, fisherman.

Fisherman, of all those who were on the beach, your eyes saw me. Your mouth called me. And, carrying the weight of my tired body, my feet followed your voice.

Fisherman, while practicing my trade I found myself at other riversides.

I want to use my strength in all the seas of the world for you.

Fisherman, my nightlong work and hard toil gained me nothing.

But you, who know the deep seas, ease my sad labor.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 4:12-23

Pew Bible NT p. 3

SERMON

"All the Light We Cannot See"

Rev. Dr. J. Michael Solberg

*HYMN #744

"Arise, Your Light Is Come!"

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION, INSTALLATION & 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.

THE GREAT AMEN

(congregation singing)

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna in the highest!

WELCOME & CHARGE

*THE PEACE

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

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

OFFERTORY

By the Sea of Galilee
Ben Wien, piano

Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco

*DOXOLOGY Hymn 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all peoples here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

*HYMN 366

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. J. Michael Solberg

ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATION & CORPORATION CLOSING PRAYER

POSTLUDE "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (HYFRYDOL) Rebecca te Velde Ben Wien, organ

MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Larchmont Avenue Church! We are delighted to worship together, both in person, and with folks joining via livestream.

The **Annual Meeting of the Congregation** of Larchmont Avenue Church, as well as the Larchmont Avenue Church Corporation, will be held today, **January 22, 2023**, for the purpose of receiving the 2022 Annual Report and the 2023 budget, and reviewing the pastoral terms of call.

If you are interested in **sponsoring Sunday sanctuary flowers** in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact the office (LACoffice@lacny.org).

Your voice and presence would be a gift in worship! If you would be willing to assist as a liturgist, please either follow the QR code to the right or email the church office at LACoffice@lacny.org.



Nursery Care is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom114) for infants and toddlers age 2 and below.

Sunday School: Ages Pre-K through 5th Grade are invited to go down to the Carhart Room for Sunday School following the Children's Message. The teachers will bring them back to the sanctuary at 11 a.m. to sit with their parents during the Annual Meeting. Don't forget to grab a Worship Wiggle Bag from the back of the sanctuary!

The Confirmation Class meets today at 11:30 a.m. in the Youth Center.

TGIF and SHIFT will meet this **Wednesday, January 25**th, for a self-care night! Middle Schoolers will gather from 5:00-6:00 pm, and High School students will meet from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

On Wednesday, January 25th, all are invited to join Rev. Bynum and others in the congregation for "Wine and Word," an informal time of fellowship and bible study. The event begins at 7 p.m. at the home of Wes and Leigh Anne Smith (16 Dante Street in Larchmont).

Save the Dates

Day of Service – Saturday, March 25 (morning)

Rummage Sale – Sat. April 22 – Sat. April 29 (hours TBD)

This Week at LAC

SUNDAY 10:00 a.m. 10:20 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:20 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	JANUARY 22 Worship (Sanctuary /Online) Sunday School (Classrooms) Guest Lunch Meeting (Carhart) Annual Meetings (Sanctuary) Coffee Hour (Russell Hall) Confirmation (Youth Center)
MONDAY 7:30 p.m.	JANUARY 23 Session (Library)
TUESDAY 6:45 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	JANUARY 24 Al Anon (Library) AA (Chapel / Zoom) Westchester Chorale (Russell/Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25

11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Lindsley)
5:00 p.m. TGIF (Youth Center)
6:30 p.m. SHIFT (Youth Center)

7:00 p.m. Wine & Word (Smith's Home)
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)
7:30 p.m. Symphonia (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY JANUARY 26

8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Lindsley)
4:00 p.m. Westchester Children's Chorus

(Russell/Chapel)

7:00 p.m. AA (Carhart)

SATURDAY JANUARY 28

1:00 p.m. LMA Recitals (Sanctuary)

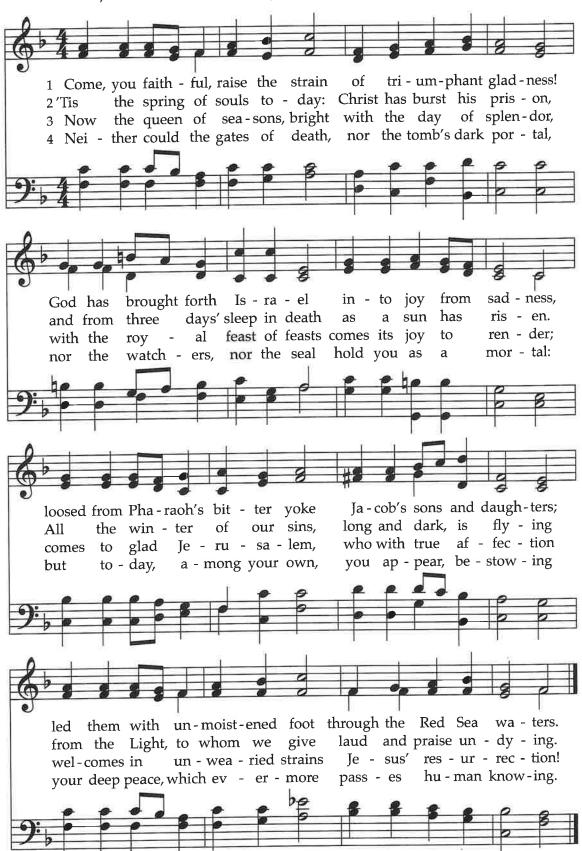
THE LARCHMONT AVENUE CHURCH

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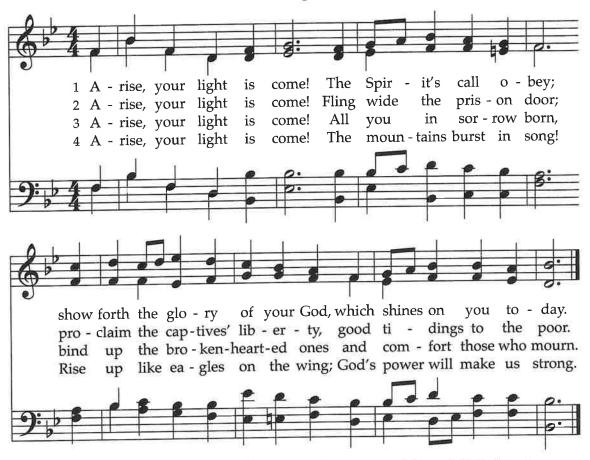
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Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain 234



One of the many ancient hymns translated into English in the 19th century, this 8th-century Eastertide hymn was originally part of a longer Greek liturgical text. This tune was created for this text by a church organist who later rose to fame as a composer of operettas.

744 Arise, Your Light Is Come!



Echoing imagery from Isaiah 61:1–2 and other passages, this text was created as an inclusive-language alternative to an older hymn using this late 19th-century tune. Because it is a song of encouragement rather than a song of praise, it is not directed to God but to people.

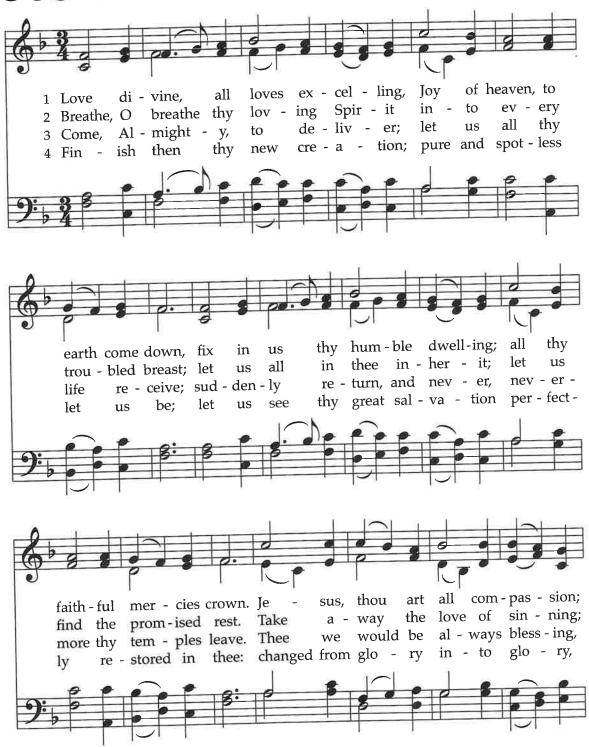
TEXT: Ruth Duck, 1974 MUSIC: William H. Walter, 1894 Text © 1992 GIA Publications, Inc. FESTAL SONG SM (this tune in a lower key, 815)



*May be sung as a canon.

With its themes of bearing witness in the world, this lively sending song works especially well when sung in canon. The tune name refers to a street parade with music that occurs in many Bahamian towns on Boxing Day (December 26), New Year's Day, and sometimes in the summer.

366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means "delightful") gives us a foretaste of endless song.

