



# The Larchmont Avenue Church

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Bulletin for Online and In-Person Worship

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

PRELUDE

*Llangloffan*

Jason Krug

Ben Wien, piano

INTROIT

*Psalm 86:12*

Arthur Grell

*I will praise thee, O Lord, my God, with all my heart:  
And I will glorify thy name forevermore. Amen.*

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Beloved children of God, in supplication and prayer, with intercessions and with thanksgiving,

**we come to worship God.**

In hope and in humility, with joy and with concerns,

**we come to worship God.**

In faith and in uncertainty, with questions and with conviction,

**let us worship God.**

\*HYMN 756

*O God of Every Nation*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Anna Grace Claunch

**Merciful God, we confess that we are too concerned with our own peace. We seek the comfort of silence, and ignore the cries of the oppressed. We are inwardly focused, missing your call to serve the world in justice and love.**

**Forgive us, O God. Equip us to fulfill your will for a world in which all know dignity and all are treated with equity as your beloved children...**

*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, 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!**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

**Lord, as your Word is read and proclaimed, guide us to a greater knowledge of your truth. Through the words we hear today, lead us into the ways of peace, gratitude, godliness, and dignity, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

PSALTER

Psalm 86:1-12

Pew Bible OT pg. 544

ANTHEM

*Did You Think to Pray?*

William Perkins

Shawn Jeffery, soloist; Ben Wien, piano

*'Ere you left your room this morning, did you think to pray?*

*In the name of Christ, our Savior, did you sue for loving favor as a shield today?*

*Oh, how praying rests the weary! Prayer will change the night to day.*

*So, when life gets dark and dreary, don't forget to pray.*

*When your heart was filled with anger, did you think to pray?*

*Did you plead for grace, my brother, that you might forgive another who had crossed your way?*

*Oh, how praying rests the weary! Prayer will change the night to day.*

*So, when life gets dark and dreary, don't forget to pray.*

*When sore trials came upon you, did you think to pray?*

*When your soul was full of sorrow, Balm of Gilead did you borrow at the gates of day?*

*Oh, how praying rests the weary! Prayer will change the night to day.*

*So, when life gets dark and dreary, don't forget to pray.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: FOURTH GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

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

EPISTLE READING

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Pew Bible NT pg. 208

SERMON

“Praying for Everyone”

Rev. Bynum

\*HYMN 343

*Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.**

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 online at [lacny.org/giving](http://lacny.org/giving) or via the Realm Connect app.*

OFFERTORY

*Appalachian Lord's Prayer*

Rick Sowash

*Beloved God, beyond the mountains, hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kin-dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav'n.*

*Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts  
as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation.*

*Deliver us, we pray, from evil, for Thine is the kin-dom,  
the pow'r of morning, the sunset glory, now and forever more. Amen.*

\*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

\*HYMN 716

*God Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Beach Spring*  
Ben Wien, piano

Tracey McKibben

MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Upcoming Events*

We hope you'll return at 3:00 p.m. this afternoon for a special worship service for Anna Grace's **ordination and installation!** We look forward to celebrating Anna Grace's gifts for ministry with our Hudson River Presbytery neighbors.

Are you interested in learning more about Larchmont Avenue Church? Join us after worship on September 25 for **LAC101**—an opportunity to meet folks, share in lunch, and explore our basic beliefs, how we make decisions, and how we live out our faith. RSVP to [mmajor@lacny.org](mailto:mmajor@lacny.org) by 9/21 to help us make lunch arrangements!

All are invited to join the **Interfaith Prison Partnership** for an intergenerational conversation on Wednesday, September 28 at 6:00 p.m. about the complexity and stigma of the prison system. Dinner will be provided—please RSVP to [agclaunch@lacny.org](mailto:agclaunch@lacny.org).

LAC's new **Family Movie Night** ministry will begin with a screening of *Encanto* at 7:00 p.m. on September 30! Admission is free, but concessions will be available as a mission fundraiser.

## *Welcome to Worship*

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

**Today's bulletin cover** is "Prayers for Healing the World," a mural painted by Blanca Maestas on a Community Health Center in Alamosa, CO.

**The flowers** this morning are given by Chris and Sasha Nahr in celebration and hope for fresh starts and new beginnings!

If you are interested in **sponsoring flowers** in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact the Office (LACoffice@lacny.org) to sign-up for an upcoming Sunday!

Sometimes children have to sit through church longer than their little bodies can handle, so we created **Worship Wiggle Bags!** These bags can be found in the back of the sanctuary. After using a Worship Wiggle Bag, please put everything back inside the bag and return it, so we can make sure we have plenty of bags stocked and ready for next week's worship wiggles!

## *Christian Education*

Calling all rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders—it's time for **Confirmation!** We'll gather for an **orientation meeting** for parents and students immediately following worship.

**Youth Group** will not meet this week. See you on the 28<sup>th</sup>!

**Sunday School:** All children ages 3-10 are invited to the library following the Fourth Grade Bible Presentation for a time of fellowship and faith formation!

**Nursery Care** is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers age 2 and below.

**The Men's Bible Study** will meet next on Thursday, September 29 at 8:30 a.m. in the Lindsley Room.

Rev. Bynum's new **adult education series**, "Minor Prophets/Major Problems" will begin with a discussion of Joel and the Problem of War on October 16 immediately following worship.

This Week at LAC:

**SUNDAY**

10:00 a.m.

10:20 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

3:30 p.m.

**SEPTEMBER 18**

Worship (Sanctuary / Online)

Sunday School (Library)

Coffee Hour (Russell Hall)

Confirmation Orientation (Chapel)

Anna Grace's Ordination (Sanctuary / Online)

Reception (Russell Hall)

**MONDAY**

7:00 p.m.

**SEPTEMBER 19**

Trustees (Lindsley)

**TUESDAY**

9:00 a.m.

6:45 p.m.

7:15 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

**SEPTEMBER 20**

Hudson River Presbytery Meeting (Holmes)

Al Anon (Library)

AA (Chapel / Zoom)

Westchester Chorale (Russell Hall)

**WEDNESDAY**

11:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

7:45 p.m.

**SEPTEMBER 21**

Staff Meeting (Lindsley)

Carlshire Tenants Association (Russell Hall)

Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

**THURSDAY**

4:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

**SEPTEMBER 22**

Westchester Children's Chorus (Russell/Chapel)

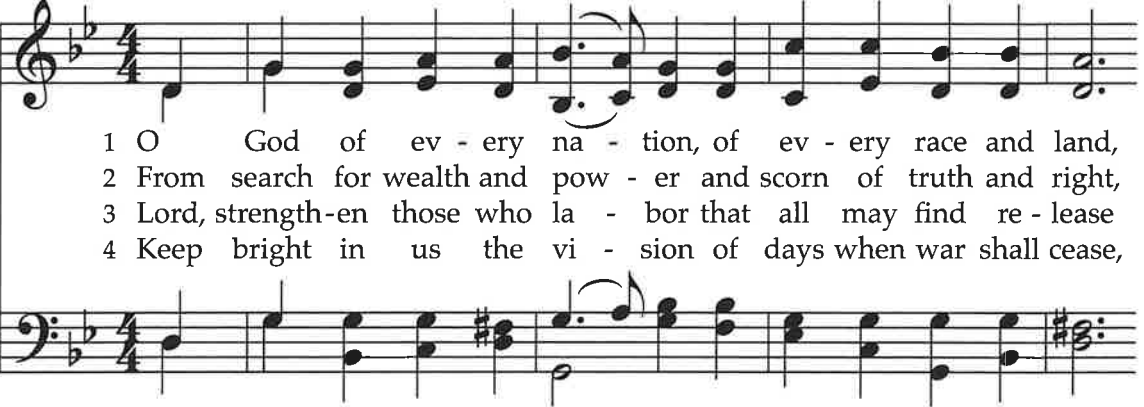
AA (Chapel)

**FRIDAY**

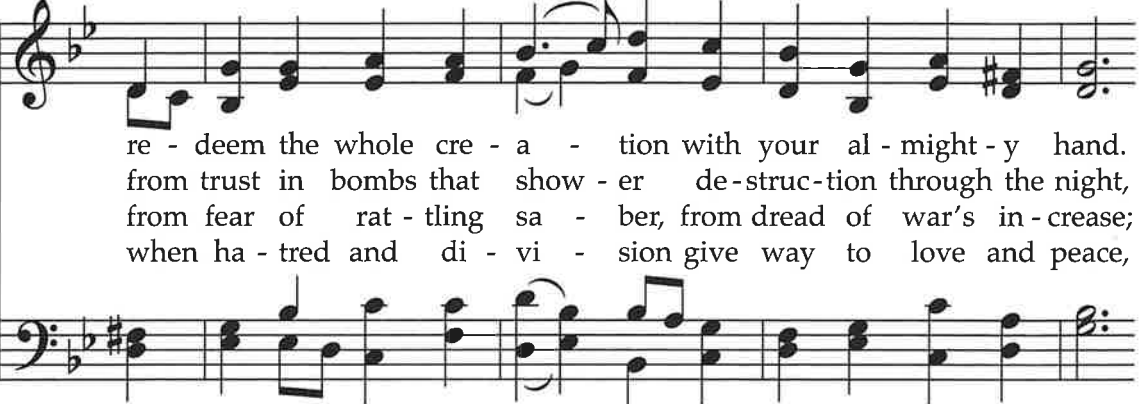
**SEPTEMBER 23**




## O God of Every Nation 756



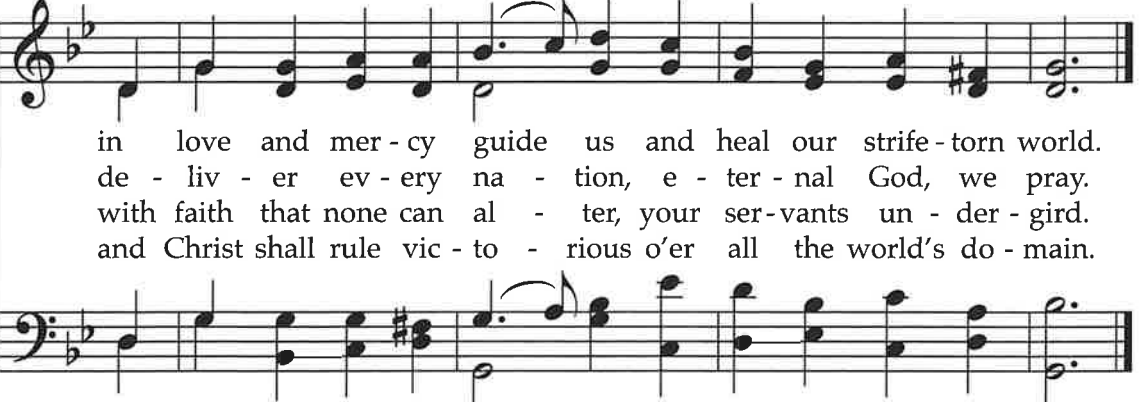
1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,  
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,  
 3 Lord, strength-en those who la - bor that all may find re - lease  
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,



re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand.  
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,  
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;  
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,



Where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,  
 from pride of race and sta - tion and blind - ness to your way,  
 when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;  
 till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign



in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.  
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.  
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser - vants un - der - gird.  
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

If we truly believe that God cares for all people, we cannot limit our prayers and songs for peace to the welfare of our own nation, no matter how much we may love it. This challenging text is set to a stirring Welsh tune, named for a hamlet with a prominent Baptist chapel.

# Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life 343

1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the  
 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad - owed  
 3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man  
 4 The cup of wa - ter given for you still holds the

cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of  
 thresh - olds fraught with fears, from paths where hide the  
 grief and bur - dened toil, from fam - ished souls, from  
 fresh - ness of your grace; yet long these mul - ti -

self - ish strife, we hear your voice, O Son of Man.  
 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.  
 sor - row's stress, your heart has nev - er known re - coil.  
 tudes to view the sweet com - pas - sion of your face.

5 O Master, from the mountainside,  
 make haste to heal these hearts of pain;  
 among these restless throngs abide;  
 O tread the city's streets again;

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,  
 and follow where your feet have trod;  
 till glorious from your heaven above  
 shall come the city of our God.

Because dense populations always result in concentrated hardships, this vivid yet timeless evocation of urban need connects to our own day as well as to Jesus' lament over Jerusalem (Matthew 23:37/Luke 13:34). This tune was the first used with this text and is now customary.



## God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)  
F Dm B $\flat$

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and  
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of  
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) (Bm)  
F Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly  
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es  
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) (D) (A)  
B $\flat$  F C

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn  
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly  
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) (F $\sharp$ m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)  
Dm Am Dm B $\flat$  C F

to you, of - fering up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall  
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,  
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) (G) (D)  
Dm B $\flat$  F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.  
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.  
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

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