



# The Larchmont Avenue Church

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## October 9, 2022

Bulletin for Online and In-Person Worship

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

OCTOBER 9, 2022

PRELUDE

*St. George's Windsor*

Tedd Smith

Ben Wien, piano

INTROIT

*Psalm 66:1-2*

Douglas Kostner

*Shout for joy to God, all the Earth!  
Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!*

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*(from Psalm 9 – The Message Translation)*

Let us give thanks to the Lord with our whole heart.

**We will proclaim God's wonderful deeds among the people!**

My dear friends, don't get thrown off course.

Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of heaven.

**These gifts are rivers of light cascading down from the Father of Light.**

With gratitude and joy, let us sing our songs to the God who dwells in Zion;  
let us share God's stories with everyone we meet.

**We will write the book on Hallelujahs; on the corner of Main and First we'll hold a street meeting; there we will lead the chorus; we will fill the air with songs of salvation!**

Let all thankful people worship God!

\*HYMN 367

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

**Compassionate God, you send us to cure the sick, but we blame the sick for their choices. You ask us to restore the unclean, but we keep them at a distance to protect ourselves. You give us so much, but we focus on what we lack instead of the treasures we already hold.**

**In your mercy, forgive us, O Lord. Teach us to heal without condition. Help us to serve without limits. Fill our hearts with joyful gratitude, so that we might love one another as you love us, to the glory of your holy name...**

*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*)

Barbara Flickinger

**Lord, as we open your Word to read it and proclaim it today, may your wisdom root us and build us up, may your truth be established in us, and may your healing love free our hearts to abound in gratitude and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

PSALTER

Psalm 66:1-12

*Pew Bible OT pg. 528*

ANTHEM

*Lord of the Small*

Dan Forrest

*Praise to the Lord of the small, broken things,  
Who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing,  
Who loves the lame child, and the wretch in the street,  
Who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.*

*Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid,  
Who girds them with courage and lends them his aid;  
He pours out his Spirit on vessels so weak  
That the timid can serve and the silent can speak.*

*Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill,  
Who heals their afflictions, or carries them 'til  
They leave this tired frame and to paradise fly,  
To never be sick and never to die.*

*Praise him, O praise him, all ye who yet live,  
who've been given so much and can so little give,  
Our frail, faltering praise God will never despise:  
He sees his dear children through mercy-filled eyes.*

GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

*Pew Bible NT pg. 80*

SERMON

“Making Room for Gratitude”

Rev. Bynum

\*HYMN 694

*Great God of Every Blessing*

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S  
PRAYER

Rev. Bynum

**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 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!*

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Nominating Committee

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

*What Shall I Render to the Lord*

Craig Courtney

Kreshnik Zhabjaku, soloist; Ben Wien, Piano

*What shall I render to the Lord for all his goodness unto me? I will lift up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. Be at rest, once more, O my soul, for the Lord has been good to you. For you, O Lord, have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from falling. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.*

\*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 432

*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Postlude-Cantique*

Théodore Dubois

Ben Wien, piano

## MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Upcoming Events*

Next week, October 16, is **Children's Sabbath!** Join us as our youngest congregants lead us in worship.

LAC warmly invites all to attend a **waffle breakfast** following worship on October 16 to mark the beginning of this year's stewardship campaign! We are excited to bring back this beloved tradition and share in some syrupy fellowship!

On October 16, the Manice family (15 Locust Ave) will host a **gathering for young families** at their home from 4-6 p.m.! Drop-by for a relaxed afternoon of fun for little ones with Rev. Anna Grace, and time for parents to connect. RSVP to [agclaunch@lacny.org](mailto:agclaunch@lacny.org).

This year's **mission trip** is open to all participants ages 14 and older! From February 19-25, we will travel to Agua Prieta, Mexico to learn about migration issues in the borderlands with Frontera de Cristo. The cost will be between \$1200-1500, and the deadline for committing to serve is October 20. Contact Rev. Anna Grace at [agclaunch@lacny.org](mailto:agclaunch@lacny.org) for more information!

### *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 "Ten Lepers Healed" by William West.

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

### *Christian Education*

**TGIF and SHIFT** will meet this Wednesday (October 12)! Middle Schoolers will gather at 5:00 p.m., High School students will join at 6:00 p.m. for dinner, and then SHIFT will meet at 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday School:** All children ages 3-10 will begin worship in the library for a special full hour of Sunday School with Rev. Anna Grace!

**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, October 13 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.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

**MONDAY**

All Day

**TUESDAY**

12:00 p.m.

6:45 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:15 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

11:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:45 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

4:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

9:00 a.m.

**OCTOBER 9**

Worship (Sanctuary / Online)

Sunday School (Library)

Coffee Hour (Russell Hall)

**OCTOBER 10**

Indigenous Peoples Day (Office Closed)

**OCTOBER 11**

Church & Community (Lindsley)

Al Anon (Library)

Finance Committee (Classroom 204)

AA (Chapel / Zoom)

Westchester Chorale (Russell Hall)

**OCTOBER 12**

Staff Meeting (Lindsley)

TGIF (Youth Center)

Dinner (Youth Center)

SHIFT (Youth Center)

Symphonia (Chapel)

Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

**OCTOBER 13**

Westchester Children's Chorus (Russell/Chapel)

AA (Carhart)

**OCTOBER 14**

**OCTOBER 15**

Westchester Children's Chorus Retreat (All)

## THE LARCHMONT AVENUE CHURCH

The Larchmont Avenue Church is a member church of the Presbyterian Church USA ([pcusa.org](http://pcusa.org)) and the Hudson River Presbytery ([hudrivpres.org](http://hudrivpres.org)).

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### *Church Officers*

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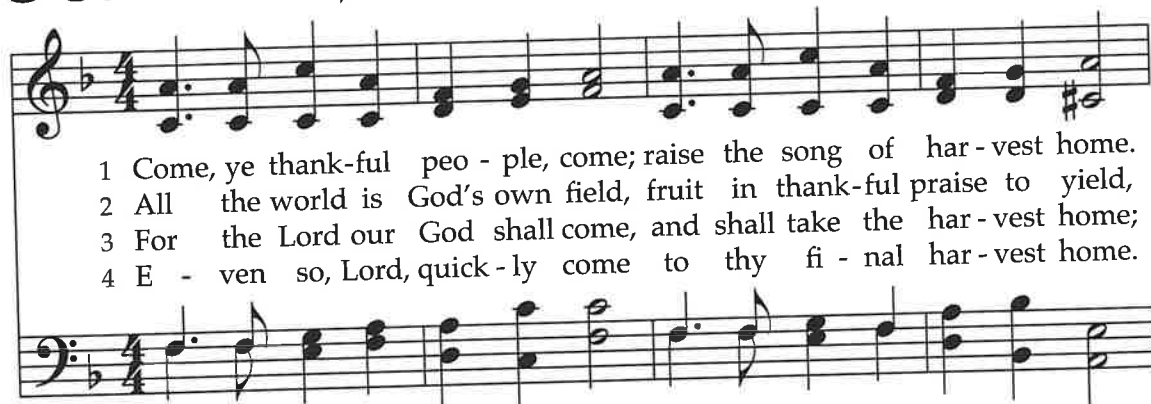
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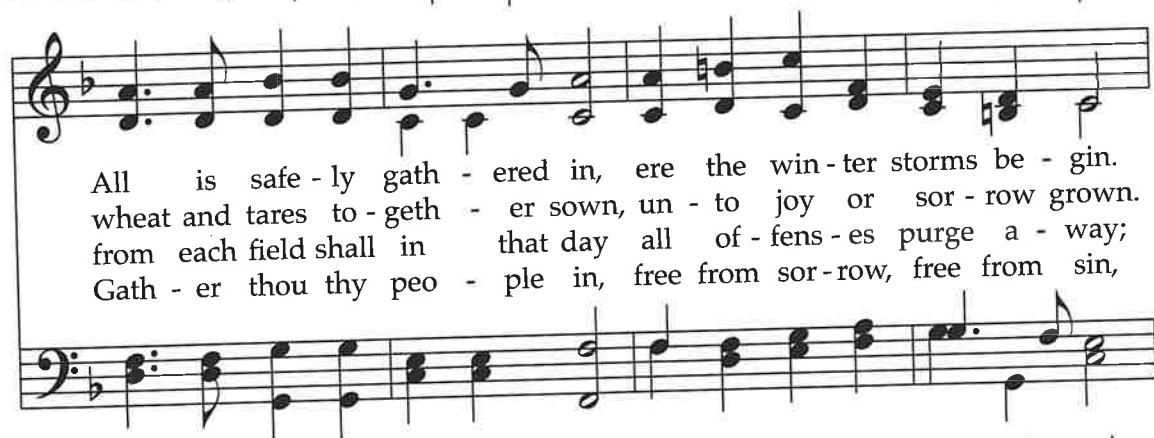
Place prayer requests at: The LAC Prayer Connection (ext. 342)

You may reach Rev. Bynum via his mobile phone at (843)302-2511.

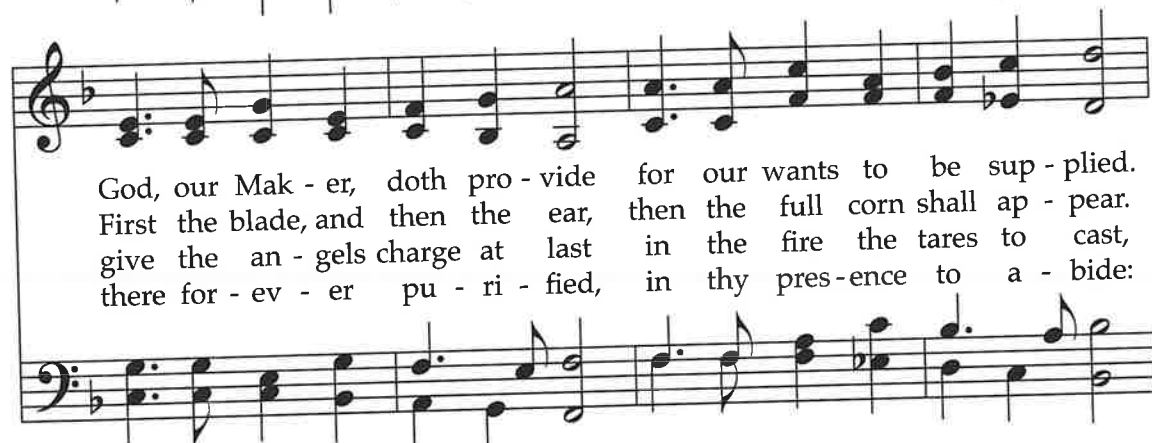
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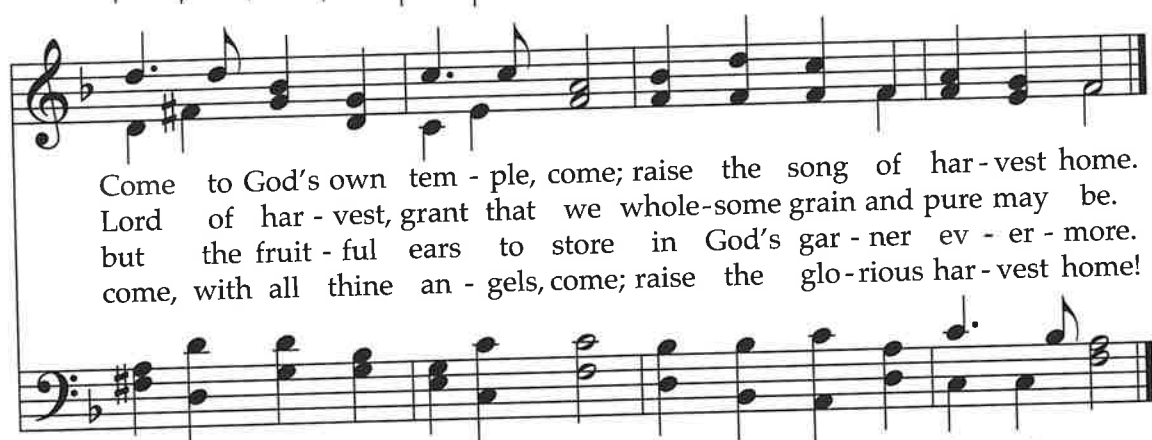
1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield,  
 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the har - vest home;  
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin.  
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.  
 from each field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;  
 Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.  
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.  
 give the an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
 there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in God's gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 come, with all thine an - gels, come; raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

Despite its familiar Thanksgiving associations, the real concern of this text is to recall the harvest imagery Jesus used to describe the fulfillment of God's sovereignty. The tune name commemorates the royal chapel where the composer was organist for forty-seven years.



# 694 Great God of Every Blessing

1 Great God of ev - ery bless - ing, of faith - ful, lov - ing care,  
 2 Your Word is our sal - va - tion, the source of end - less grace,  
 3 Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,

you are the fount of good - ness, the dai - ly bread we share.  
 in death and life ex - tend - ing your cov - e - nant em - brace.  
 trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.

How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:  
 In Christ we are one bod - y; each mem - ber has a part:  
 For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:

sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

Written for the 500th anniversary of John Calvin's birth, this text sums up his liturgical theology, ending each stanza with his motto: *Cor meum tibi offero, Domine, prompte et sincere*. By moving from plural to singular the stanzas show how corporate faith becomes personal piety.

# How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord 432

Capo 1: (D) (A) (Bm) (G) (D) (A)(D)  
 Eb Bb Cm Ab Eb Bb Eb

1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call  
 2 But if, for-get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;  
 3 We mar - vel how your saints be-came in hin-dranc-es more sure:  
 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,

(G) (Em) (A) (F#m) (Bm) (G) (Em)  
 Ab Fm Bb Gm Cm Ab Fm

to live ac - cord - ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re -  
 if world - ly pres - sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un -  
 whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your  
 in old rou - tines or ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to

(A7) (D) (A7)(B) (Em) (G)(A7) (D)  
 Bb7 Eb Bb7 C Fm Ab Bb7 Eb

stored, that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.  
 wind its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.  
 name, and by our faults ob - scure your power to cleanse and cure.  
 you: the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored, done.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This reflection on Christian vocation was written to provide a new text for a pre-existing tune, and the poet has crafted his words so well that the two parts mesh smoothly. The tune is named for a noted British boarding school, whose music director was a friend of the composer.

## YOUR NOMINATIONS ARE NEEDED!

The All Church Nominating Committee (ACNC) invites your recommendations for new elders, deacons, and trustees for Larchmont Avenue Church. The final slate will be proposed for election at a **congregational meeting on December 11, 2022**. Those elected by the congregation will begin a **three-year term on Ordination/Installation Sunday**, which is scheduled for **January 22, 2023**. As you consider candidates whom you feel God may be calling to leadership at LAC, here are some guidelines from the PC(USA) *Book of Order*:

### **Elders**

- Have the *“responsibility for governing the congregation and guiding its witness to the sovereign activity of God in the world, so that the congregation is and becomes a community of faith, hope, love, and witness.”* (G-3.02)
- Are called to *“discern and measure [our congregation’s] fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life”* (G-2.03)
- Are *“persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit”* (G-2.03)

### **Deacons**

- *“The ministry of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress.”* (G-2.02)
- Are *“Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this ministry.”* (G-2.02)

### **Trustees**

- Advise elders on matters relating to the church budget, endowment, and real property. (G-4.0101)

Please prayerfully recommend members of our church whom you believe God may be calling to be servant leaders at LAC. **You may recommend yourself if you feel called to serve.** Please use the form on the reverse to submit your recommendations in the offering plate, in the nomination box in the lobby, or fill out a form online at: <https://bit.ly/3EjtUdi>

## NOMINATION FORM

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_

for (circle one):

Elder          Deacon          Trustee  
Youth Deacon          Nominating Committee

Reasons for nomination:

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I have spoken with the nominee and they are willing to serve (circle one):

Yes          No

Submitted on (date) \_\_\_\_\_

By (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline for Submissions: **October 30, 2022.**

Completed forms can be dropped off at the church office, in an offering plate, or by sending an e-mail to a member of the ACNC.

This year's ACNC members are: Chris Jogis (Co-Chair), Stacey Harvey (Co-Chair), Emily Irving, Alexandra LeClere, Chris Templeman, Ernest Wong, Melissa Manice, and Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum (*ex officio*).