



The Larchmont Avenue Church

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Christ the King Sunday

Bulletin for Online and In-Person Worship

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 20, 2022

PRELUDE

Thanksgiving

Brook Boddie

Debra Whitman, harp

INTROIT

Heaven and Earth Shall Pass Away

George Thalben-Ball

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away.

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God has looked favorably on all of God's people and has redeemed all of creation.

God has given us a mighty Savior, the Lord whose reign we celebrate.

We gather here today to offer our thanks to God,

and to recommit ourselves to service in the name of the Lord!

Let us worship God!

*HYMN 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Lord, we are quick to identify our enemies and slow to name the ways we hurt others. You lead us in the ways of righteousness, and yet we prefer to walk our own path. We are called to follow your lead in creating a beloved community, yet we idolize wealth and power.

Heal us and help us, O God. Turn us from the ways of sin, and help us to make room for you in every aspect of our lives, to the glory of your holy reign in this world...

Silence is kept for Prayer and Reflection

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI

Hymn 580 (Scottish Chant)

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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER & SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

John Farris

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

Barbara Maghami

BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS FOR PARENTS & CONGREGATION

BAPTISM

Jeremiah Iman

Son of Barbara Maghami and Sean Iman

WELCOME

HYMN 486, vs. 1

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

***Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign,
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.***

*THE PEACE

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Jim Hanley

Lord, as we open your Word this morning, help us to make room for you. Clear any distractions from our minds and hearts, so that we may hear what you would have us hear on this day, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 43:18-25

Pew Bible OT pg. 672

ANTHEM

Just As I Am

John Carter

*Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!*

*Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt;
Fighting and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!*

*Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!*

*Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!*

GOSPEL

Mark 2:1-12

Pew Bible NT pg. 36

SERMON

“Making Room: What Is in The Way?”

Dr. Bynum

*HYMN 187

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Gifts may be shared online at lacny.org/giving or via the Realm Connect app.

OFFERTORY

Simple Gifts

Shaker Tune

Debra Whitman, harp

*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.*

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Karen Isaac

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DEDICATION OF GIFTS & 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 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!*

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

Jig

Dewey Owens

Debra Whitman, harp

SPECIAL OFFERING

Thanksgiving is a time for us to gather with family and friends and to count our many blessings. It's a time to give thanks for all that is good in our own lives and to give to others who may not be as fortunate. It is in this tradition of caring that we express our love and support for people in need in our own community. As in past years, the Thanksgiving offering here at LAC will be used to support the vital efforts of several local food-assistance organizations. These include H.O.P.E. Food Pantry, Larchmont Mamaroneck Hunger Task Force, and Meals on Wheels. The food they offer makes a tangible difference in the lives of people with critical needs right here in our own communities. Please use the blue mission envelopes in the pews or send checks marked "Thanksgiving Offering" to the church office. Contributions can also be made through Realm by selecting "Thanksgiving" from the fund menu. Our Thanksgiving offering gives us at LAC the opportunity to make this a holiday in which those who struggle in our community can feel the loving comfort of others. Thank you for your faithful and generous support of people in need. Wishing you peace and grace in this holiday season,

Church and Society Committee

MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events

Immediately after worship today, we'll gather in the Carhart Room for the next session of Rev. Bynum's adult education series, **Minor Prophets/Major Problems**. Grab a cup of coffee, and join us in exploring Jonah and the problem of political polarization!

At 7:00 p.m. tonight, the Larchmont Temple (75 Larchmont Ave) will host our community's **Interfaith Thanksgiving** service! All are invited to bring a donation of pasta or other shelf-stable food for the Larchmont-Mamaroneck Hunger Task Force.

Save the Date: **LAC's Annual Advent Workshop** will take place following worship on December 4! All are invited to join in some intergenerational crafting and holiday snacks. Together, we'll create Advent Wreaths, Chrismons, and some stars for a special art installation in the sanctuary.

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 art is "Healing of the Paralytic" by John Armstrong.

Today's flowers are given by Stephanie, Molly, and Kate Bynum in joyful celebration of Rev. Bynum's birthday!

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!

Christian Education

Sunday School: this Sunday, Rev. Claunch will lead a special all-ages Sunday School workshop during worship! Children ages 3-10 may go directly to the Carhart Room for special crafts, music, and games exploring what it means to be loved by God.

Note: There will not be Sunday School next week (11/27). Happy Thanksgiving!

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

TGIF and SHIFT will not meet this week—Happy Thanksgiving!

The Men's Bible Study will meet next on Thursday, December 1 at 8:30 a.m. in the Lindsley Room.

This Week at LAC:

SUNDAY

10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
11:15 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 20

Worship (Sanctuary / Online)
Sunday School Workshop (Carhart)
Coffee Hour (Russell Hall)
Adult Education (Carhart)
Interfaith Thanksgiving (Larchmont Temple)

MONDAY

7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 21

Trustees (Lindsley)

TUESDAY

6:45 p.m.
7:15 p.m.
7:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 22

Al Anon (Library)
AA (Chapel / Zoom)
Westchester Chorale (Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAY

11:00 a.m.

NOVEMBER 23

Staff Meeting (Lindsley)

THURSDAY

All Day
7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 24

Happy Thanksgiving! (Office Closed)
AA – 75th Anniversary Celebration (Carhart)

FRIDAY

All Day

NOVEMBER 25

Office Closed



THE LARCHMONT AVENUE CHURCH

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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.

267 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!


Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,


praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.


Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us 187





1 Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.
 2 We are yours: in love be - friend us; be the guard-ian of our way.
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor; ear - ly let us do your will.





In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us; for our use your fold pre-pare.
 Keep your flock: from sin de - fend us; seek us when we go a - stray.
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.
 Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.

Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us: we are yours.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us; love us still.

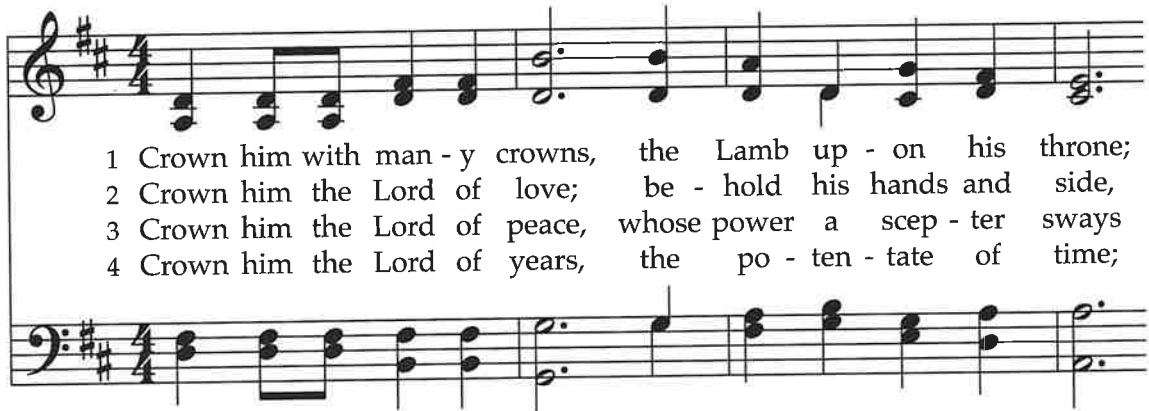



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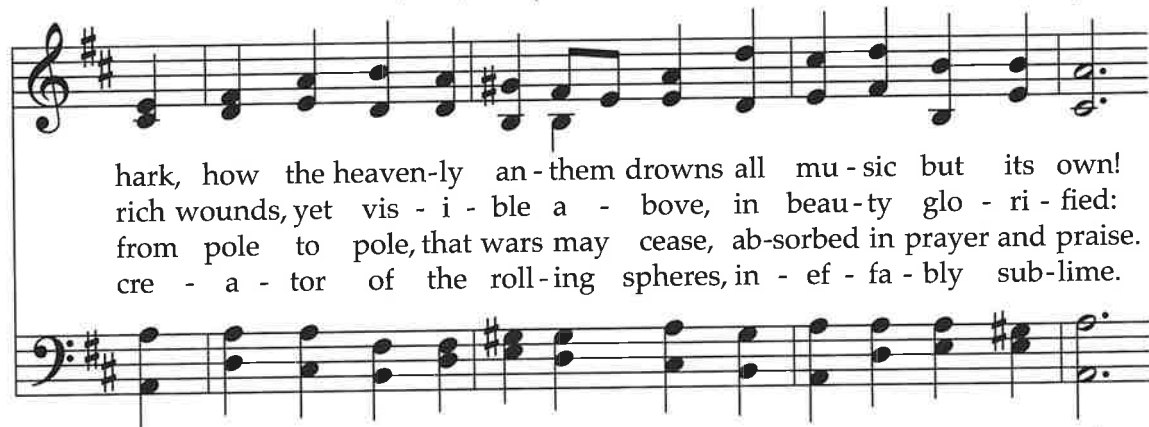


This unattributed hymn, like many that are now meaningful to adults, was written for children and develops shepherd imagery from Psalm 23 and John 10:1-18. The tune, composed for these words, was originally named for the text but has come to be known by the composer's name.

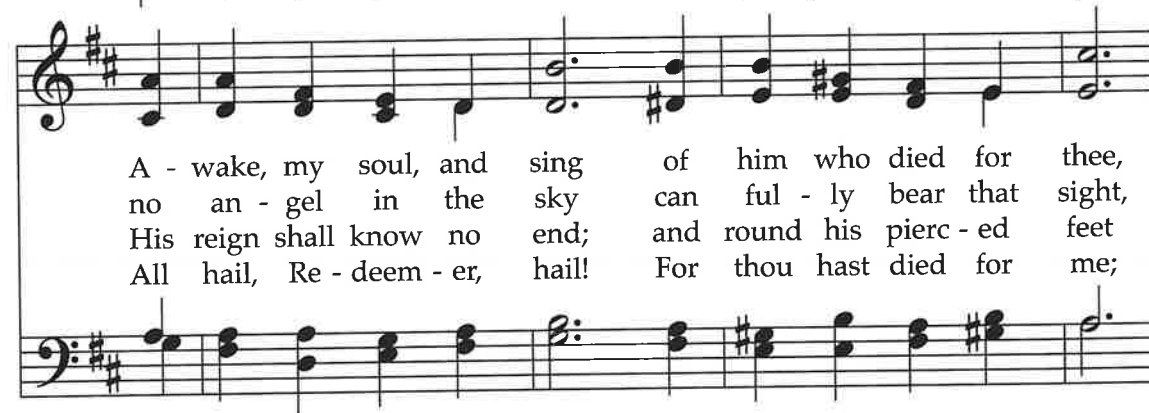
Crown Him with Many Crowns 268



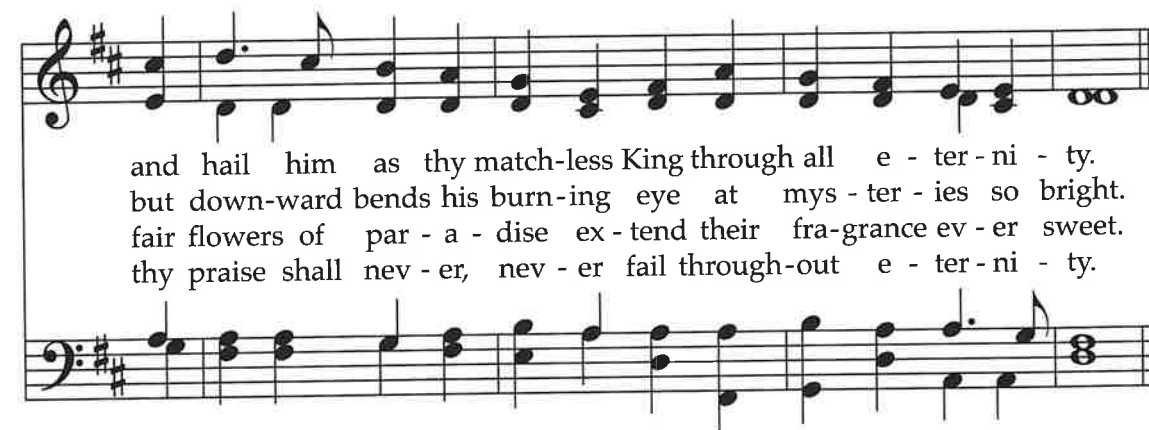
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways
 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;



hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down-ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

This text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all its paradox, mystery, suffering, and beauty; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, chapel organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.