

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

MARCH 5, 2023

PRELUDE *Romanze* Max Bruch  
Jordan Pak, viola

INTROIT *I Lift Up My Eyes* Douglas Kostner  
*I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where will my help come?  
My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.*

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

WELCOME COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 121)*

In this life, most people ask, "From whence does my help come?"

Like the psalmist, we choose to answer that question with faith:

**Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

The Lord is our keeper; the Lord is our shade; the Lord keeps us  
from evil; the Lord guards our lives.

**The Lord will keep our going out and our coming in  
from this time on and forevermore.**

Let us lift our eyes and our praise to God.

\*HYMN 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Teacher, you call us to go,  
following the plan that you have set out for us.**

**You promise us blessings and purpose,  
but we struggle to trust your words.**

**We cling to what we already know, we trust in what we can see and  
touch, we make excuses for our failure to trust in you.**

**Call to us once more, that we may be born again through your Spirit.**

**Help us to believe and give us the abundant life that comes from  
following your will...**

*Silence is kept for prayer and reflection.*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*GLORIA PATRI *Hymn 580*

**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.**

\*THE PEACE

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(in unison)* Thea Beaver  
**O Lord, in this moment we seek your light. As your Word is read and  
proclaimed, speak truth that we can understand, give us direction that  
we can follow, and give us faith to trust you fully, through Jesus Christ  
our Lord, Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 121 *OT, Page 571*

ANTHEM *God So Loved the World* John Helgen  
Alex Pak, violin

*God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that all who would believe in him  
should never die, but have eternal life. God did not send his Son into the world that the  
world might be condemned, but that the world, through him, might be saved.*

NEW TESTAMENT John 3:1-17 *NT, Page 93*

SERMON "In the Shadows" Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

\*HYMN 282 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

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 DURING COMMUNION Jacques Berthier  
***In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!  
Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,  
lift up your voices, the Lord is near.***

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER Thea Beaver

**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

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app or by scanning the QR code to the right. Additional pledge  
cards are available at the rear of the sanctuary.*



OFFERTORY *Amazing Grace* Joshua Evanovich  
The Pak Pack

\*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 451 *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Down Ampney* Charles Callahan  
Alex Pak, violin

MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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 "Nicodemus Coming to Christ" by Henry Ossawa  
Tanner (1859-1937).

**Today's sanctuary flowers** are sponsored by the congregation of Madison  
Avenue Presbyterian Church, in honor of and with gratitude for the LAC  
congregation, Session, and Rev. Bynum.

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



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 or email the church office at [LACoffice@lacny.org](mailto:LACoffice@lacny.org).



*Christian Education*

**Sunday School News:** As this is a Communion Sunday, preschoolers-fifth graders will begin Sunday School in Russell Hall at 10 a.m., and will return midway through worship to celebrate the Lord's Supper with their families.

**Nursery Care** for infants and toddlers ages 2 and below is available on the ground floor of the education wing in Room 114.

**TGIF and SHIFT:**

- Because this **Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>** is a school holiday, the youth groups will meet at an earlier time. Both TGIF and SHIFT are invited to come hang out with Anna Grace at the church from 1:00 pm to 2:30 p.m. We will enjoy combined fellowship, hot chocolate, a service project, and a highly requested game of hide-and-seek.
- Because Anna Grace will be on her honeymoon later in March, there will be no TGIF or SHIFT on either **Wednesday 3/15** or **Wednesday 3/22**.
- We will return to our regular weekly meetings on **Wednesday 3/29**.

The **Men's Bible Study** will next meet on Thursday, **March 9<sup>th</sup>** at 8:30 a.m. in the Lindsley Room. Please direct any questions to Arthur Washington at [ajwash3@outlook.com](mailto:ajwash3@outlook.com).

This Week at LAC

SUNDAY

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

MARCH 5

Worship (Sanctuary / Online)  
Sunday School (Carhart)  
Confirmation Class (Youth Center)

MONDAY

3:30 p.m.

MARCH 6

LAC Board Executives Meeting (Lindsley)

TUESDAY

6:45 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.  
7:15 p.m.  
7:45 p.m.  
8:00 p.m.

MARCH 7

AI Anon (Conference Call)  
Deacons (Zoom)  
AA (Chapel / Zoom)  
Westchester Chorale (Russell Hall)  
Mission Realization Task Force (Youth Center)

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
2:00 p.m.  
1:00 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.

MARCH 8

Preschool Training (Carhart)  
Staff Meeting (Lindsley)  
Brown Bag Bible Study (Lindsley)  
TGIF and SHIFT (Youth Center)  
Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)  
Symphonia (Chapel)

THURSDAY

8:30 a.m.  
4:00 p.m.  
7:15 p.m.

MARCH 9

Men's Bible Study (Lindsley)  
Westchester Children's Chorus (Chapel/Russell)  
AA (Carhart)

THE LARCHMONT AVENUE CHURCH

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**OUR MISSION**

*As a community of faith of all ages, we gather to witness God's love and grace through worship, service, and education. We seek inspiration to more effectively serve as disciples of Christ. In a challenging world, we strive to nurture each other and our neighbors by providing a safe haven where both joys and burdens can be shared. All are welcome here.*



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Second Sunday in Lent  
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