

MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Larchmont Avenue Church! We are delighted to be worshipping with you, whether you are with us in person in our sanctuary or connecting via our Livestream.

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



Today's sanctuary flowers have been given anonymously in celebration of the marriage of Anna Grace Claunch and Johnny Frohlichstein.

If you are interested in **sponsoring flowers** in honor or memory of a loved one, please either scan the QR code to the right or contact the office at LACoffice@lacny.org to sign-up for an upcoming Sunday!

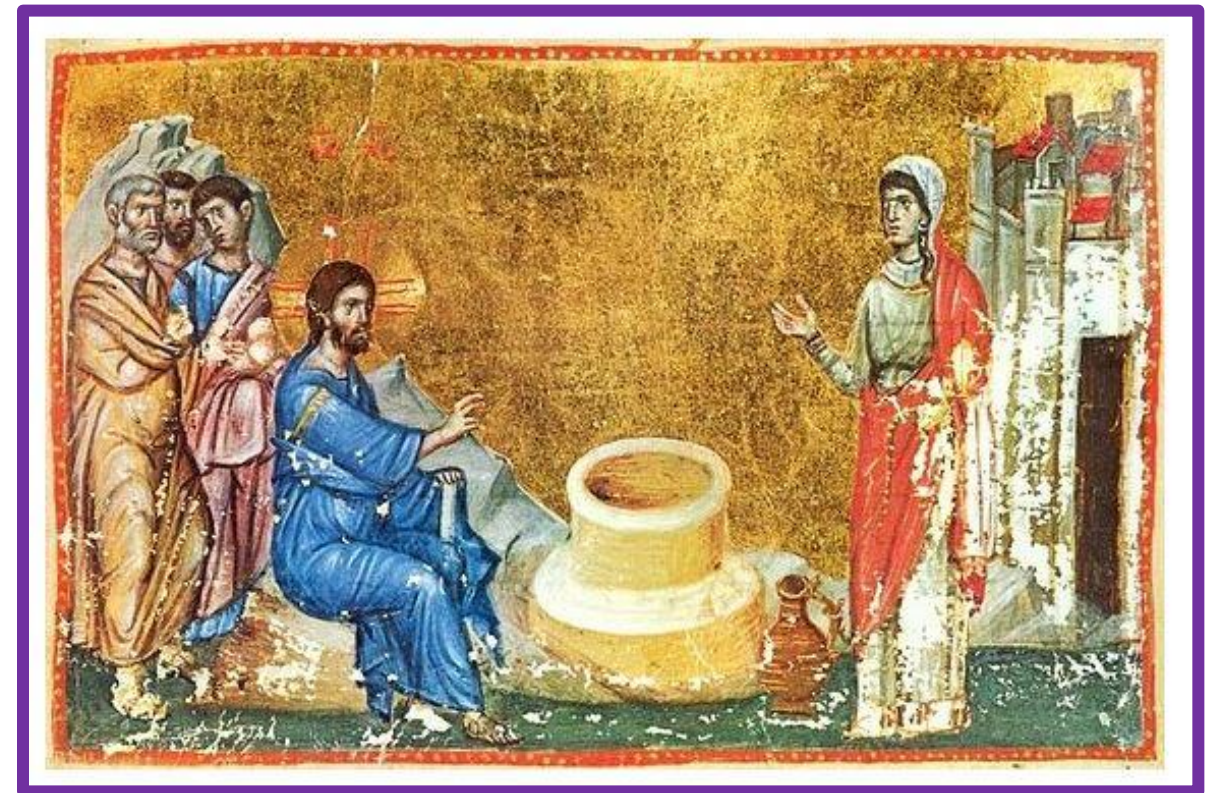


Christian Education:

- **Nursery Care:** is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers age 2 and below.
- **Sunday School:** Ages Pre-K through 5th Grade are invited to spend the whole worship hour with Anna Grace in the Carhart Room.
- **TGIF and SHIFT** will not meet this week. See you soon!
- **Brown Bag Bible Study:** Rev. Bynum will be hosting weekly Bible discussions on Wednesdays at noon in the Lindsley Room. Instead of a structured study, this will be an informal time for us to read the Bible together and share our thoughts and questions about what it means. Bring a lunch, bring a friend, or just bring yourself!

Save the Dates: Day of Service: Sat. 3/25; **Rummage Sale:** April 22 –29; **VBS:** June 26-30

THIS WEEK AT LAC	CHURCH STAFF (914) 834-1800
SUNDAY, MARCH 12 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary / Online) 10:00 am Sunday School (Carhart) 11:15 am Wedding Reception (Russell Hall)	Senior Pastor and Head of Staff Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum pbynum@lacny.org Ext. 308
TUESDAY, MARCH 14 11:00 am Memorial Service for Sue Ellen Commender 6:45 pm Al Anon (Library) 7:00 pm Finance Committee (Room 202) 7:15 pm AA (Chapel / Zoom) 7:30 pm Westchester Chorale (Russell/Sanctuary)	Associate Pastor Rev. Anna Grace Claunch agclaunch@lacny.org Ext. 303
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15 11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley) 12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (Lindsley) 7:00 pm Wine and Word (Nabholz home) 7:30 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall) 7:30 pm Symphonia (Sanctuary)	Director of Music Ministry Douglas Kostner dkostner@lacny.org Ext. 307
THURSDAY, MARCH 16 4:00 pm Westchester Children's Chorus 7:15 pm AA (Carhart)	Bookkeeper Gloria Haq ghaq@lacny.org Ext. 310
FRIDAY, MARCH 17 11:30 am Women's Club (Carhart)	LAC Preschool Director Kristin DeFelice preschooldirector@lacny.org (914) 834-3984, www.lacpreschool.com
SATURDAY, MARCH 18 9:00 am Session Retreat (New Rochelle)	Tammy Cosentino, Admin. Assistant adminassistant@lacny.org



"Christ and the Samaritan Woman," miniature from a 13th century gospel manuscript

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The Third Sunday of Lent
March 12, 2023

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum
Associate Pastor: Rev. Anna Grace Claunch
Director of Music: Douglas Kostner

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 12, 2023

PRELUDE *Lonesome Valley* Janet Lanier
Debra Whitman, harp

INTROIT *Living Water* Owen Alstott
Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come into God's presence with thanksgiving!
Let us sing to the rock of our salvation.
Even in the deserts of our lives,
God is among us.
Come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

*HYMN 475 *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus, friend of all, once again, we come to you knowing our words have stung, our actions have harmed, and our indifference has let evil have its day.
Our hearts yearn for you, our souls thirst for you, yet we do not imitate you in our lives.
We scorn those who are different from us, and relish our own comfort.
Once again, forgive us, O God.
Give us your Living Water, that we might tell the world all you have done for us.
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)* Barbara Flickinger
Holy God, reveal your presence to us as we journey the path of Lent. Send your Holy Spirit to open our own spirits to your Word, so that we might hear, listen, understand, and take heart, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 17:1-7 *OT, Page 64*

ANTHEM *Like as the Hart* Vincent Novello
Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why art thou so disquieted within me?
O put thy trust in God.

NEW TESTAMENT

John 4:5-30, 39-42

NT, Page 94

SERMON

"Ifs, Ands, and Buts"

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*HYMN 65 *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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!

MOMENT FOR MISSION

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Financial gifts may be shared electronically via the Realm Connect app or by scanning the QR code to the right. Additional pledge cards are available at the Usher Station at the rear of the sanctuary.



OFFERTORY

Nettleton

Ann Gaudet

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 432

"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

Repton

Lawrence Schreiber

NOTE: After the Choral Amen, worshipers are free to rise, greet your neighbors, and exit. You are welcome to stay and listen to the Postlude, but there is no expectation that you remain seated at this time. Please join us for Coffee Hour in Russell Hall!

** please stand if you are able*