



*"Out of the Depths" by Lucy Adams*

# Larchmont Avenue Church

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The Fifth Sunday of Lent  
March 26, 2023

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Associate Pastor: Rev. Anna Grace Claunch  
Director of Music: Douglas Kostner

# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 26, 2023

PRELUDE *Primavera* Cécile Chaminade  
Ben Wien & Douglas Kostner, piano

INTROIT *With the Lord There Is Mercy* Douglas Kostner  
*With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.*

WELCOME Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 130)*

Wait for the Lord...

**our souls cry out to God from the depths.**

Hope in the Lord...

**with God there is steadfast love, and great power to redeem.**

Our souls wait for the Lord...

**more than those who watch for the morning,**

**more than those who watch for the morning.**

Let us worship God!

\*HYMN 418 *"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of resurrection, we know the power of death, for we have seen its works,  
and we have felt its sting.**

**Intimidated by the darkness, we begin to doubt your power to resurrect.**

**Discouraged by our failures, we become unsure of your promise to redeem.**

**Forgive us, Lord, for our unbelief.**

**Hear us as we cry out to you from the depths— however faint our call may be,  
we pray that you will hear our voice...**

*(Silent 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)

Anthony Manson

**Lord, hear us as we cry to You. As the scriptures are read and proclaimed, let your ears be attentive to the voice of our supplication. In these moments, we wait for You, and hope in you, more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT

Romans 8:6-11

NT, Page 157

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

ANTHEM

*Out of the Depths*

Richard Shephard

*Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!  
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?  
But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.  
I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope.*

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalms 130

OT, Page 573

SERMON

*“De Profundis”*

Rev. Bynum

\*HYMN 796

*“We Come to You for Healing, Lord”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Claunch

**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

*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

*Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*  
Ben Wien, piano

Mark Hayes

\*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 8

*“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”*

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Bynum

\*CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

*Rigaudon*

Cécile Chaminade

Ben Wien & Douglas Kostner, piano

*NOTE: 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*

### MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



The **2023 One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** is currently underway. Gifts support three key denominational ministries: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Programs, and Self-Development of People. Donations can be made by using the blue envelopes in the church pews, or by sending LAC's Bookkeeper Gloria Haq a check, or by using Realm. Check upcoming church emails for more information.

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](mailto:LACoffice@lacny.org) to sign-up for an upcoming Sunday!



### Christian Education:

- **Minor Prophets/Major Problems:** Join Rev. Bynum in the Carhart Room after worship for a discussion of the prophet Nahum and the current plight of international refugees.

- **Nursery Care:** is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers age 2 and below.
- **Sunday School:** After the Children's Message, children ages Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are invited to accompany their teachers down to the Carhart Room for Sunday School.
- **TGIF and SHIFT** will meet on the normal schedule this Wednesday, March 29th.
- **Brown Bag Bible Study:** Join us for an informal time of fellowship and Bible reading each Wednesday at noon in the Lindsley Room. Bring a lunch, bring a friend, or just bring yourself!



Scan here to volunteer for the **LAC Rummage Sale**, April 22-29, 2023.

THIS WEEK AT LAC	CHURCH STAFF (914) 834-1800
<b><u>SUNDAY, MARCH 26</u></b>	
10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary / Online)	<b>Senior Pastor and Head of Staff</b>
10:20 am Sunday School (Carhart)	Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum
11:00 am Coffee Hour (Russell)	<a href="mailto:pbynum@lacny.org">pbynum@lacny.org</a> Ext. 308
11:30 am Minor Prophets/Major Problems (Carhart)	<b>Associate Pastor</b>
<b><u>MONDAY, MARCH 27</u></b>	Rev. Anna Grace Claunch
7:30 pm Session (Library)	<a href="mailto:agclaunch@lacny.org">agclaunch@lacny.org</a> Ext. 303
<b><u>TUESDAY, MARCH 28</u></b>	<b>Director of Music Ministry</b>
6:45 pm Al Anon (Library)	Douglas Kostner
7:15 pm AA (Chapel / Zoom)	<a href="mailto:dkostner@lacny.org">dkostner@lacny.org</a> Ext. 307
7:30 pm Westchester Chorale (Russell/Sanctuary)	<b>Bookkeeper</b>
<b><u>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29</u></b>	Gloria Haq
11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley)	<a href="mailto:ghaq@lacny.org">ghaq@lacny.org</a> Ext. 310
12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (Lindsley)	<b>LAC Preschool Director</b>
5:00 pm TGIF (Youth Center)	Kristin DeFelice
6:30 pm SHIFT (Youth Center)	<a href="mailto:preschooldirector@lacny.org">preschooldirector@lacny.org</a>
7:30 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)	(914) 834-3984,
7:30 pm Symphonia (Sanctuary)	<a href="http://www.lacpreschool.com">www.lacpreschool.com</a>
<b><u>THURSDAY, MARCH 30</u></b>	Tammy Cosentino, Admin. Assistant
4:00 pm Westchester Children's Chorus	<a href="mailto:adminassistant@lacny.org">adminassistant@lacny.org</a>
7:15 pm AA (Carhart)	



CONFESSION

# 418 Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for  
 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for  
 3 O' for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

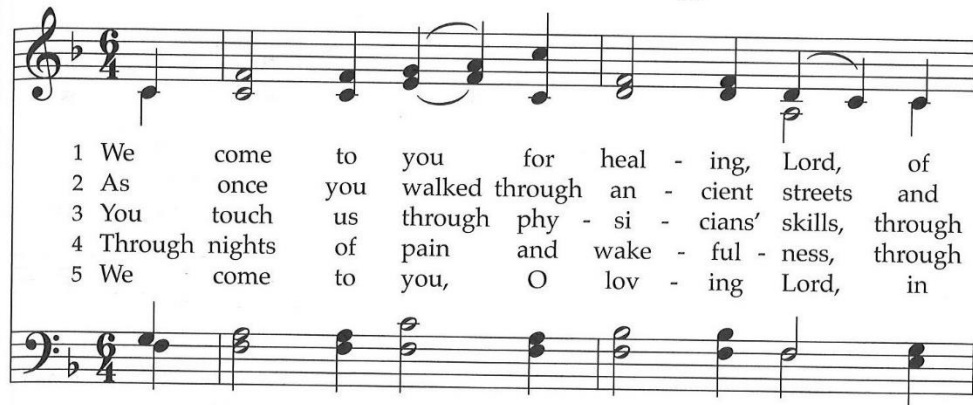
you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,  
 you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,  
 you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

*Refrain*  
 watch - ing for you and for me.  
 mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!  
 par - don for you and for me. "Come home, come home!

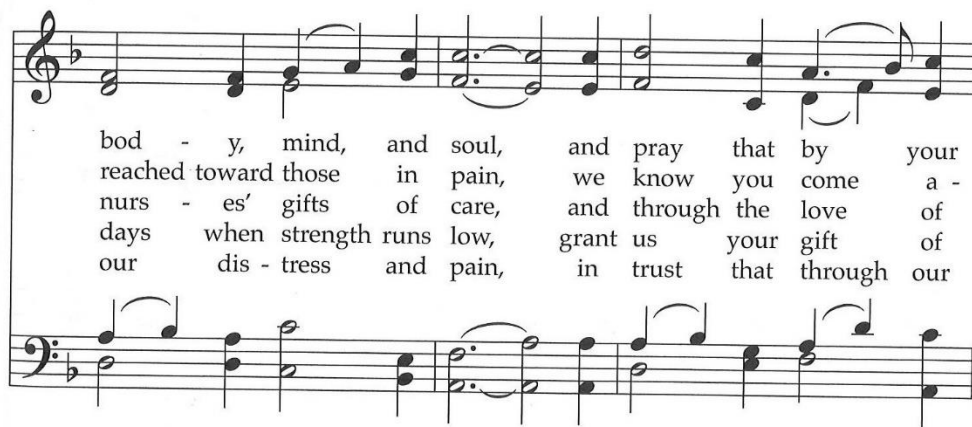
You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,  
 Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

This 19th-century gospel hymn has often been used as a hymn of invitation at evangelistic services. Its imagery is primarily based on Jesus' parable in Luke 15:11-32, commonly called "The Prodigal Son." Each singer thus becomes a wandering child who is urged to return home.

## We Come to You for Healing, Lord 796



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of  
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and  
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through  
 4 Through nights of pain and wake - ful - ness, through  
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your  
 reached toward those in pain, we know you come a -  
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of  
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of  
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.  
 mong us still with power to heal a - gain.  
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.  
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.  
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

Unlike many hymns on the theme of healing, this text appropriately includes the ministry of medical personnel as instruments of God's healing activity. It also acknowledges that illness is not limited to physical symptoms, but involves mental, emotional, and spiritual dimensions.

TEXT: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 2002

MUSIC: American folk melody; arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938

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LAND OF REST

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(alternate harmonization, 691)

# 8 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -  
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who did brood up - on the cha - os  
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and  
 wild and rude, and bade its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
 dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
 calm a - mid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we  
 gave, for fierce con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we  
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

The year after this text was written for a student sailing to America, it was included in the most influential British hymnal of the 19th century. The tune especially composed for it preserves the ancient Roman name of the island where Paul was shipwrecked, now called Malta.