

Larchmont Avenue Church

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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Praeludium

PRELUDE

INTROIT

We Need Self Control We love Christ Jesus with heart, mind, and soul; But since we are sinful, we need self control. Fleshly desires bring trouble and strife; Living by spirit brings peace and life..

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Our faith may be small, but God's power and love are great. Our sins may loom large, but God's promise of forgiveness is sure. Gathered in love and strengthened by grace, let us follow in the Way of Christ. Help us, Lord, to walk with character, commitment, and steadfast hope! Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith!

*THE PEACE

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

*OPENING HYMN 39

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(in unison)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

Christ our Lord, you call your disciples to follow you, but we have wandered from the paths of righteousness.

We confess that the seed of faith within us is small. Hope is often absent, love is frequently inconvenient, and we tire easily in the challenge of following You.

Forgive us, O Lord, and rekindle a spirit of love and service within us. Speak to us again, and let your Spirit abide in us, so that we might follow your Way and live as your true disciples *(time for silent prayer)*

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Christ the Good Shepherd, as we prepare to open, read, and proclaim your Word, help us to hear your voice and answer your call. Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING	Isaiah 42:1-9	
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Rev. Bynum
NEW TESTAMENT READING	2 Timothy 1:6-14	
SERMON	"Self Control"	

Georg Böhm

Anonymous

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

Hymn 581

Jack Bowerman

Rev. Bynum

Rev. Claunch

I wish for you my friend This happiness that I've found; You can depend on God. It matters not where you're bound, I'll shout it from the mountain top; I want the world to know The Lord of love has come to me. I want to pass it on.

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the 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

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

ANTHEM

This Little Light of Mine Shawn Jeffery, soloist

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine; This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine; Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine; Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 279

*BENEDICTION

Howard Helvey

Hymn 607

Kurt Kaiser

A Pass It On H It only takes a spark to get a fire going, And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing; That's how it is with God's Love, Once you've experienced it,

That's how it is with God's Love, Once you've experienced it, You spread the love to everyone. You want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring, When all the trees are budding The birds begin to sing, the flowers start their blooming; That's how it is with God's love, Once you've experienced it. You want to sing, it's fresh like spring, You want to pass it on. Freu dich sehr, o meine Seele

Georg Böhm

NOTE: You are welcome to stay and listen to the Postlude, but there is no expectation that you remain seated at this time

*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 <u>broodal@lacny.org</u>.

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 <u>broodal@lacny.org</u> to sign-up for an upcoming Sunday!

- Nursery Care: Available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers age 2 and below.
- Sunday School is back! After the Children's Message, kids ages 3 through 5th grade will be dismissed to Sunday School. Ages 3 through 1st grade will meet in the Lindsley Room across from the sanctuary, and 2nd-5th grade will meet downstairs in Carhart. Parents may pick up their kids from their classroom following the worship service.
- Youth Group will meet at Hope Community Services at 4:30 pm this Wednesday to serve in the soup kitchen. If you plan to attend, please email Rev. Claunch at *agclaunch@lacny.org*.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9:00 am Called Meeting of the Session - New Members (Carhart Room) 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online) 11:15 am Coffee Hour

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 7:00 pm Session Meeting (Library)

<u>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26</u> 6:45 pm Al-Anon (Library) 7:15 pm AA (Carhart Room/Chapel) 7:30 pm Westchester Chorale (Russell Hall)

<u>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27</u> 11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley Room) 4:30 pm TGIF & SHIFT (Hope Community Services) 7:00 pm Larchmont Symphonia (Chapel) 7:45 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 8:30 am Men's Bible Study (Lindsley) 4:00 pm Westchester Children's Chorus (Russell Hall) 7:00 pm Westchester Women's Choir 7:15 pm AA (Carhart/Chapel)



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CREATION AND PROVIDENCE



*Or "Croat is the faithfulness O Cod Croater"

39 CONTINUED CREATION AND PROVIDENCE Refrain thy faith-ful-ness! Great thy faith - ful - ness! Great is is 신 주 신 주 <u>२</u> 신 실 하 신 실 하 ç Morn - ing Ι see. morn - ing, new mer - cies by 를 푸 시 며 날 마 다 자 비] 베 pro - vid - ed. hand hath All need - ed thy I have 일 कु 할 뜬 것 내 려 주 시 니 모 4: faith - ful - ness, me! thy Lord un Great is to -주 나 의 구 9 신 실 하 신 주



In contrast with many hymns to the Holy Spirit, this one is notable for being in the plural, a valuable reminder that the Holy Spirit has been bestowed on the whole Church, not just on a few individuals. The tune was composed for "Iesus, the Very Thought of Thee" (no. 629).