

Larchmont Avenue Church

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October 1, 2023
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

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Director of Music: Douglas Kostner

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 1, 2023

PRELUDE

Holy Manna
Ben Wien & Douglas Kostner, piano

Mark Hayes

INTROIT

Nations Shall Come to Your Light
Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Ian Fletcher

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather from the west to the east, from the south to the north,
to celebrate the God of peace who accompanies us in our acts of peace.
This God of peace accompanies us wherever we may go and whatever we may
do.
Together with brothers and sisters around the world, let us worship God!

*THE PEACE

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

*OPENING HYMN #509 *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Holy God, we confess to you:

**We are not of the same mind. We do not share the same love.
We act in selfish ambition and do not regard others as better than
ourselves.
We have not looked to the interests of others instead of ourselves.
We do not embrace or reflect the humility of Jesus Christ.**

**Forgive us, Lord, for the many ways we fall short. Continue to be at work in us,
that we might serve each other as you served us, and reflect your glory in this
world, through Jesus Christ our Lord...** *(time for silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI

Hymn 581

***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 *(in unison)*

**Holy God, on this day when so many of us around the world are
connected in faith, hope, and love, help us all to hear your Word, so that as we**

hear, we might believe -- as we believe, we might follow -- and as we follow, we might live, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Colossians 3:12-17

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:1-13

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

SERMON

“Emptying and Filling”

ANTHEM

Empty of Me

David Lantz

*I hunger in the morning for a taste of your grace,
I thirst for your Spirit full and free.
You promised you would fill me with your power divine,
But first I must be empty of me.*

*There is room in my vessel for the world and its gold,
I gather and embrace the things I see.
But for your Holy Spirit not a corner remains,
I know I must be empty of me.*

*Fill me up, Lord, I want to overflow,
Fill me up with your Spirit full and free.
Turn me upside down, pour me out on the ground,
Then fill me up and keep me empty of me.*

*So make my heart your vessel,
Lord, my soul your very own.
Full of you is what I long to be.
A life that's overflowing with your mercy and grace.
Fill me up and keep me empty of me.*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE APOSTLES' CREED

(in unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

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

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Jacques Bethier

(choir and congregation singing)

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.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and glory forever. Amen.

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

At the Name of Jesus

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him King of glory now*

*'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.*

*Humbled for a season to receive a name
From the lips of sinners unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious when from death he passed.
Near him, brothers, name him, with love as strong as death,
But with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;
He is God the Savior, he is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped, trusted, and adored.*

*In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue,
All that is not holy, all that is not true;
Crown him as your captain in temptation's hour,
Let his will enfold you in its light and power.*

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn 607

***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

Rev. Claunch

*HYMN #317

In Christ There Is No East or West

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Bynum

POSTLUDE

McKee
Ben Wien, piano

Anthony Giamanco

*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

Today's sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of Thelma and Warren Serenbetz by their family.

LAC Fellowship Dinner on October 15th. Scan code to RSVP. →



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 broodal@lacny.org. →



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 broodal@lacny.org 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.

THIS WEEK AT LAC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)

11:15 am Coffee Hour (Lindsley/Russell Hall)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

3:30 pm Board Leaders (Lindsley)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

6:45 pm Al-Anon (Library)

7:00 pm Deacons (Zoom)

7:15 pm AA (Carhart/Chapel)

7:30 pm Westchester Chorale (Russell Hall)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley)

7:30 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

5:00 pm TGIF (Youth Center)

6:00 pm SHIFT (Youth Center)

7:00 pm Larchmont Symphonia (Chapel)

7:45 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

4:00 pm Westchester Children's Chorus (Russell Hall)

7:15 pm AA (Carhart/Chapel)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

10:00 am Dog Treats Baking Event /

Propagate plants for first time visitors

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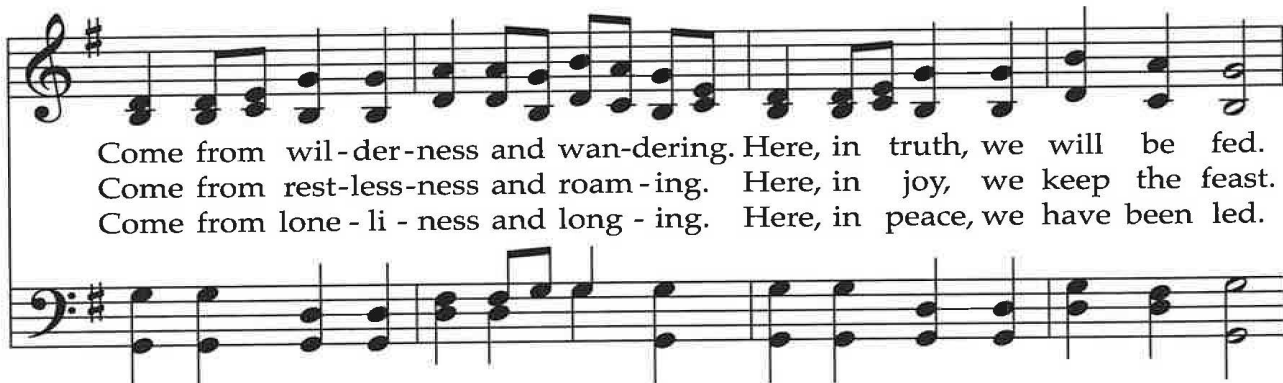
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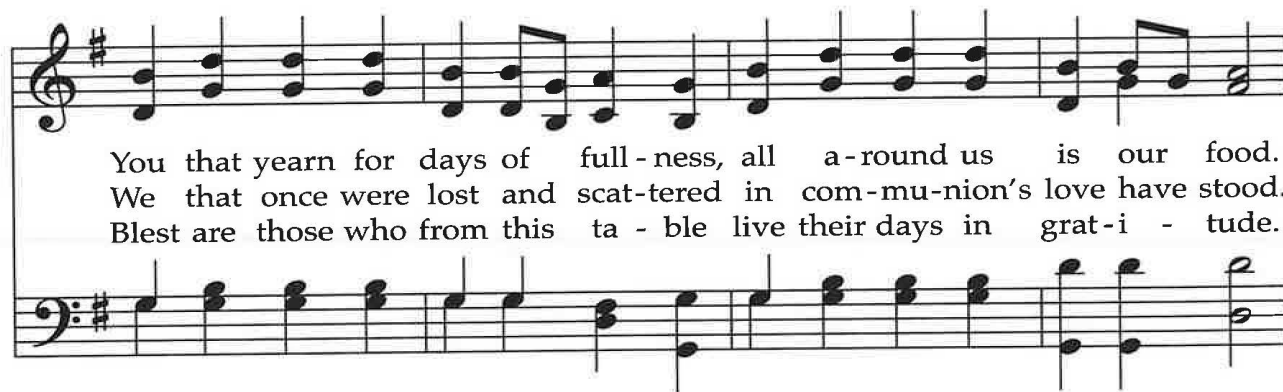
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

THE CHURCH

317 In Christ There Is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com -
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet

south or north, but one great fel - low -
 mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
 race may be. All chil - dren of the
 south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
 liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

This setting expands and enhances the thematic inclusiveness of an early 20th-century text by adapting the melody of a traditional spiritual to carry these words. This 1940 pairing marked the first use of African American musical material in a mainline North American hymnal.