



Larchmont Avenue Church

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DEDICATION SUNDAY

November 19, 2023

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Associate Pastor: Rev. Anna Grace Claunch
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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 19, 2023

PRELUDE *Beach Spring* Dale Wood

INTROIT *Those Who Sow* Douglas Kostner
Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*from 2 Corinthians 9*)

Scripture tells us this: that the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly,

and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind,

not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

When we do this, God is able to bless us with everything we need,

and we will always have more than enough!

Let us worship God!

*THE PEACE

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

*OPENING HYMN #716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*) Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

God of abundance, you have given us so many gifts. You bless us with talents, resources, skills, and knowledge, and yet we hide them under a bushel. We hoard these gifts, instead of following you and sharing with those in need.

Forgive us, Lord, and help us to believe that, in you, our sins are forgiven. Help us to believe that, with you, we will always have more than enough...

(time for silent prayer)

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, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

Lord, as we open your Word this morning, help us to make room for you. Clear any distractions from our minds and hearts, so that we may hear what you would have us hear on this day, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

FIRST READING 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (Contemporary Eng. Vers.) *NT, page 183-184*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Bynum

SECOND READING

Psalm 123:1-4

OT, page 572

SERMON

“More Than Enough”

ANTHEM

I Saw a Stranger Yestreen

L. Stanley Glarum

I saw a stranger yestreen.

I put food in the eating place and in the sacred name of the Triune.

He blessed myself and my house, my cattle and my dear ones.

And the lark said in her song:

Often, often, often, goes the Christ in the stranger's guise.

I saw a stranger yestreen.

I put drink in the drinking place and in the sacred name of the Triune.

He blessed myself and my house, my cattle and my dear ones.

And the lark said in her song:

Often, often, often, goes the Christ in the stranger's guise.

I saw a stranger yestreen.

There was music in the listening place and in the sacred name of the Triune.

He blessed myself and my house, my cattle and my dear ones.

And the lark said in her song:

Often, often, often, goes the Christ in the stranger's guise.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

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OFFERTORY

All Good Gifts
Nic Dávila, soloist

Stephen Schwartz

We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land,

But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand.

God sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,

The breezes, and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above.

We thank you, God, we thank you, God, for all your love.

We thank you, then, Creator, for all things bright and good,

The seed-time, and the harvest, our life, our health, our food.

Accept the gifts we offer for all your love imparts,

And what you most would welcome: our humble, thankful hearts.

*All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above.
We thank you, God, we thank you, God, for all your love.*

*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.***

INVITATION TO 2024 COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

#314 *Christ Be Our Light* (verses 1, 2, and 5)

During the hymn, the congregation is invited to come forward to offer their estimates of giving or other symbols of their commitment to the mission and ministry of the church.

DEDICATION OF GIFTS 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.

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Bynum

POSTLUDE

Nun danket alle Gott

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*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 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!



Interfaith Thanksgiving – Please help us show our Jewish brothers and sisters how much we love and appreciate them by joining us for the *annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at St. Thomas Episcopal in Mamaroneck at 4 p.m. this afternoon.*

- **Nursery Care:** Available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers age 2 and below.
- **Sunday School Today:** Following the Children's Message, kids ages 3 through 5th grade are dismissed for Sunday School.



THIS WEEK AT LAC

Sunday November 19

Sunday School	10:00 AM (Carhart and Lindsley)
Dedication Sunday	10:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Coffee Hour	11:15 AM (Russell Hall)
Confirmation Class	11:15 AM (Youth Room)
Interfaith Thanksgiving Service	4:00 PM (St. Thomas)

Monday November 20

7:00 PM Trustees Meeting
(Lindsley)

Tuesday November 21

Preschool – Friendsgiving	10:00 AM (Carhart)
Al Anon	6:45 PM (Library)
Finance Committee Meeting	7:00 PM (Classroom 202)
AA	7:15 PM (Carhart/Chapel)
Westchester Chorale	7:30 PM (Russell Hall)

Wednesday November 22

Staff Meeting	11:00 AM (Lindsley)
Larchmont Symphonia	7:00 PM (Chapel)
Chancel Choir	7:45 PM (Russell Hall)

Thursday November 23

Happy Thanksgiving
AA

OFFICE CLOSED

7:15 PM (Carhart)

Friday November 24

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God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D)

(B m)

(G)

F

Dm

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1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D)

(B m)

F

Dm



end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G)

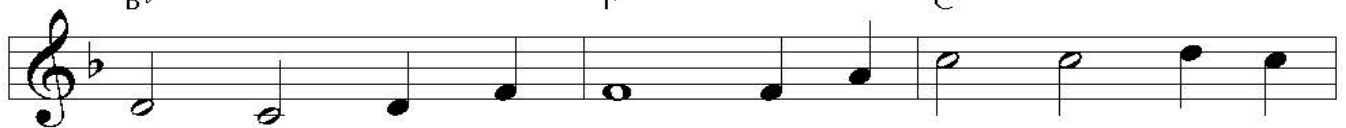
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C



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(B m)

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(B m)

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Am

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to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(B m)

(G)

(D)

Dm

B^b

F



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness 314

Christ, Be Our Light

Em Am7 Bm7 Esus Em

1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
 2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
 3 Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
 4 Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the

Am7 Bm7 Esus Em Am7

truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

D G C Am Dsus D

your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has power to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain G C G Em Bm Em

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the

Am7 D G Dsus D Em Em7

dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your

C Am7 D G Am7 G

church gath - ered to - day.

By blending biblical images and current vignettes in the present tense, this hymn connects Christ's promise that he is the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) and his charge to his followers to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). This is part of the church's servant calling.