

"My Lord and My God!" by Ronald Raab, 2018

Larchmont Avenue Church

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THE SERVICE OF THE LORD April 7, 2024

PRELUDE

Rejoice! Jesus Reigns! Ben Wien and Douglas Kostner, piano Larry Shackley

INTROIT

Peace Be With YouAndrew FletcherJesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Into our fears and through our locked doors.
Come, Almighty God.
When we think 'peace be with you,' means no change or disruption,
Come, Lord Jesus.
Amidst our lives that confuse religious entertainment with Easter fulfillment,
Come, Holy Spirit.
For the sake of a community meant to be its best during crisis,
Come Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

*OPENING HYMN #238 "Thine is the Glory"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Rev. Bynum

O Lord our God, we think our best should happen when we are in control. Forgive us for not expecting the risen Christ to show up when we are anxious, content to lock the doors of your house for fear of all that is outside. Forgive us for thinking that church mainly happens inside these walls and not into the world you so love and into which we are sent. Forgive us for looking for your power in all the conventional places but never in places of brokenness, crisis and defeat. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, repair what we are, and by the power of Christ's resurrection, raise us up to serve others for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord...

(time for silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI (#582, verse 1)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(in unison)* **Divine Redeemer, bearer of life, open us to the wisdom of your Word today and enlighten us with your truth. Liberate us from all that distracts us and turns us from your path. Guide us and ground us in Christ's everlasting hope. Amen.** That Easter day with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light, When, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord.

His risen flesh all radiant glowed; His wounded feet and hands he showed; Those scars their solemn witness gave that Christ was risen from the grave.

Oh Jesus, King of gentleness, do thou Thyself our hearts possess That we may give thee all our days the willing tribute of our praise.

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O Lord of all, with us abide In this our joyful Eastertide; From every weapon death can wield Thine own redeemed forever shield.

All praise, O risen Lord, we give to thee, who dead, again dost live, To God the Father, equal praise, and God the Holy Ghost, we raise.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 20:19-31

Rev. Bynum

SERMON

"Wounded Healers"

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #817, verse 1

We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Bynum & Rev. Claunch

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE 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 In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful Jacques Berthier 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. PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Bynum 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!

MOMENT FOR MISSION **Progressive Dinner**

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.

> That Will Be Glory Grant Tucker, alto sax; Ben Wien, piano

*DOXOLOGY #609

OFFERTORY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #242

"Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

In dir ist Freude Dale Wood Ben Wien, piano

NOTE: You are welcome to stay and listen to the Postlude, but there is no expectation that you remain seated during this time. *Feel free to get up and greet your neighbors!*

Jennifer Potts

Brant Adams

Rev. Claunch

Rev. Bynum



MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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!

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>.

- Nursery Care is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers up to age 2.
- Sunday School today. Preschool-1st grade is in the Lindsley Room and 2nd-5th is downstairs in Carhart Hall.

THIS WEEK AT LAC SUNDAY, APRIL7

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online) 10:20 am Sunday School (Carhart, Lindsley) 11:15 am Coffee Hour (Russell Hall) 11:15 am Confirmation Class (Youth Rm) **TUESDAY, APRIL 9**

6:45 pm Al-Anon (Library)7:15 pm AA (Carhart)7:45 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley)5:00 pm Youth Group (Youth Room)7:00 pm Larchmont Symphonia (Chapel)

7:45 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

4:00 pm Westchester Children's Chorus
(Russell Hall /Sanctuary/Chapel/Carhart/ Rm 202)
7:00 pm Worship Committee (Lindsley)
7:15 pm AA (Carhart)
SATURDAY, APRIL 13

10:00 am Women's Luncheon



JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION



This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio Joshua and moved to Judas Maccabeus in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.

TEXT: Edmond Louis Budry, 1884; trans. R. Birch Hoyle, 1923, alt. MUSIC: George Frederick Handel, 1748 JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION



This joyful Easter hymn brings together many images and responses evoked by Christ's Resurrection. As the second stanza affirms, it does turn mourning into dancing (Psalm 30:11), for this 20th-century text was written to fit the rhythms of this 16th-century Italian dance-song.