



"Miners' Wives Carrying Sacks of Coal" Vincent Van Gogh (1881)

Larchmont Avenue Church

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Sixth Sunday After Pentecost July 20, 2025

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum
Associate Pastor: Rev. Anna Grace Claunch
Director of Music: Douglas Kostner



PRELUDE

“Speak, O Lord”
Melanie Huang, flute

Arr. Lloyd Larson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

*THE PEACE

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God has called us to this place. What do you see?

All: We see people who model for us God's joyous embrace of all people.

One: God has called us to this place. What do you hear?

All: We hear God's hope that we are able to see each person as our sibling in Christ.

One: God has challenged us to open our lives and hearts to others. What will you do?

All: We will do only one thing: welcome everyone in God's name!

*OPENING HYMN #301 “Let Us Build a House (All Are Welcome!)” (*verses 1-4*)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

Oh God, what are we doing? We whine about those who are not doing what we think they should, and ignore our own failings. We speak words which nibble away at the lives of our family and friends. We step over the poor on our way to get more and more, ignoring their needs so we can have our wants. We hold grudges and brush aside the feelings of others. We are too quick to shut the door rather than hold it open. We are too focused on our busy schedules to focus on you. What are we doing? I don't know, Lord. Help us.
(time for silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA (#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*)

God of Wisdom, still our hearts and silence our distractions so that we can be fully present to your Word. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, let us hear what you have to say to us today, and give us the courage to listen and respond to your call. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PSALTER READING

Psalm 52

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Bynum

OLD TESTAMENT READING Amos 8:1-12

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #79

*Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to see all people's dignity.
Light dawns on a weary world: the promised day of justice comes.
The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands gush with springs;
the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
as all the world in wonder echoes shalom.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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; 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

“Lament for the Holy City”
Melanie Huang, flute

Arr. John Rutter

***DOXOLOGY (#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**

***CLOSING HYMN #300**

“We Are One in the Spirit”

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“I Will Arise and Go to Jesus”
Melanie Huang, flute

Arr. Rebecca Bona

*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.*

**Please stand if you are able .*

Announcements & Happenings

PRAYERS

Do you have a prayer request to share? Call our prayer line (914) 834-1800, ext. 342.

FLOWERS

If you are interested in sponsoring flowers, please contact the office at broodal@lacny.org.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- We look forward to having everyone join us in the fall for Men's Bible study, Women's Bible study, Sunday School and Youth Group.
- We love having little ones in worship with us! However, if you prefer, we have a nursery for infants & toddlers in Room 114 in the education wing. Ask an usher for directions.

FELLOWSHIP

- Interested in membership at LAC? Reach out to Rev. Bynum at pbynum@lacny.org.

MUSIC

SERVICE

SEEKERS



LAC SEEKERS kicks off with a very special event on 9/6 at 8 PM

An Evening with Carrie Newcomer, singer, songwriter, poet, and activist.

Hailed by Rolling Stone Magazine as someone who asks "all the right questions," Carrie has 20 nationally released albums to her credit. We're so pleased that her soulful, bluesy voice will fill our sanctuary for this very special evening!

Learn more about Carrie on our website. Reserve your seat, spread the word, and be sure to stay for the Champagne and Confections reception to follow the concert.



ADMISSION IS FREE!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER AND LISTEN TO CARRIE'S MUSIC

THIS WEEK AT LAC

SUNDAY, JULY 20

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)
11:15 am Coffee Hour (Russell Hall)

MONDAY JULY 21

6:00 Larchmont Mamaroneck Youth Orch. (Russell Hall)

TUESDAY, JULY 22

7:00 pm Al Anon (Library)
7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley)

THURSDAY, JULY 24

7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

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As an Earth Care Congregation, we ask you to please recycle your bulletin.

Thank you!




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Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome


Verses 1, 2, 3, 4

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
C7 F C F B \flat C Dm



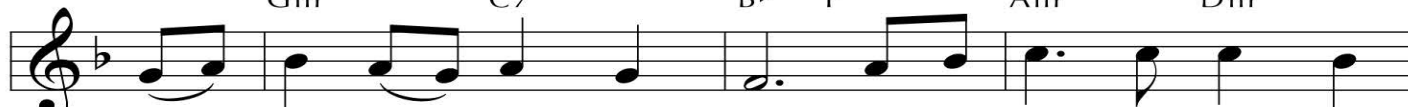
1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
F C F Dm7 Gm C




safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
Gm C7 B \flat F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
Gm C F B \flat



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshipping community.

THE CHURCH

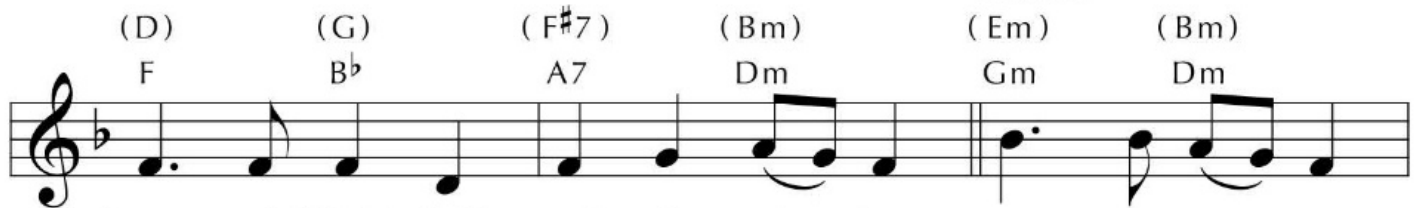
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Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

THE CHURCH

Refrain



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

We Are One in the Spirit

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They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em)

(Bm)

(Em)

Fm

Cm

Fm



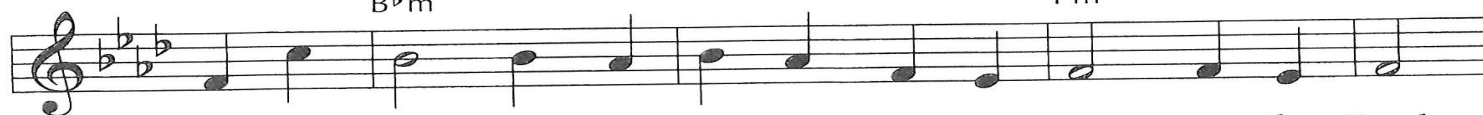
1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am)

B^bm

(Em)

Fm



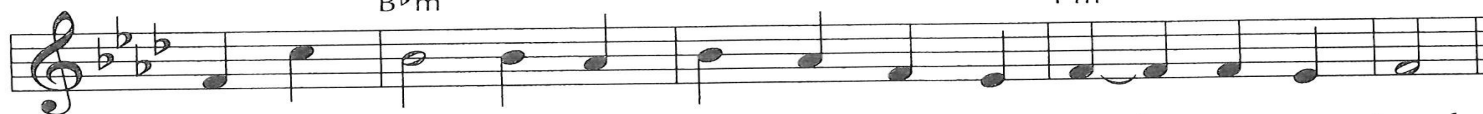
we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am)

B^bm

(Em)

Fm



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain

(C)

D^b

(Em)

Fm



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our

(Am)

B^bm

(Em)

Fm

(Am)

B^bm

(Bm)

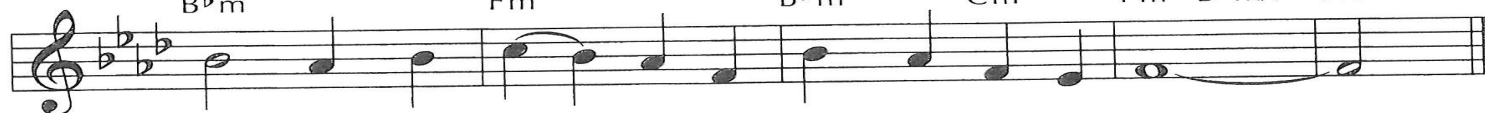
Cm

(Em)

Fm

(Am/E)

(Em)



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.