



Larchmont Avenue Church

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July 5, 2026
6th Sunday after Pentecost

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



PRELUDE

“Where He Leads Me”
Rich Williams, trombone

Arr. Brant Adams

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

***THE PEACE**

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Calling all citizens of heaven: exiled dreamers and disciples of love,

All: God is close to the outcast and faithful to all.

One: Calling all pilgrims of the Spirit, carried by the winds of hope,

All: God is everywhere at all times, compassionate to all.

One: Calling all travelers between worlds, who translate compassion into peace,

All: God makes neighbors of strangers and kin of the forgotten.

One: Come to worship and be renewed for this long journey.

All: Strangers in a strange land, we have come to worship the creator of all.

***OPENING HYMN #337**

“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Rev. Claunch

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.

Although Christ is among us, we are a people divided against ourselves. Clinging to the values of a broken world, the profit and pleasures we pursue harm the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you as agents and ambassadors of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***GLORIA #582**

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)*

Phil Oldham

Holy One, guide us by the Spirit to hear your Word today, so that we might walk in your Way, abide in your Truth, and share in the Life you have opened to us. Amen.

FIRST READING

Ruth 1:1-14

SECOND READING

Ruth 1:15-22

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #39 *(verse 1)*

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

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 #552

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.*

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION #553

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE *In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful*

Jacques Berthier

(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.

PRAYER 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 the glory forever. Amen.

THE GREAT AMEN *(congregation singing)* #554

Amen. Amen. Amen.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Financial gifts may be offered electronically by scanning the QR code to the right or through Realm at <https://onrealm.org/LarchmontAvenueChurch/-/form/give/now>.

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OFFERTORY

“Faithfulness”

Arr. Stephen

DeCesare

Rich Williams, trombone

*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 #339

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Stark

POSTLUDE

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Arr. Stephen De Cesare

Rich Williams, trombone

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

This morning's flowers are given as a tribute from the Deacons in honor of our Founding Fathers, marking 250 years since their pledge in Philadelphia.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- Little ones are welcome in worship, but a nursery for infants & toddlers is also available in Room 114. Ask an usher for directions.
- Our Sunday School program has ended for the year and will kick off again in September. We have activity bags available in the back.

FELLOWSHIP

Join us for Coffee Hour . Be sure to follow the "Ten Foot Rule" and warmly greet new people who are not known to you!

SNOW CONE POP UP
Monday July 13 @ 3pm
Chatsworth Park (across from LAC)

MUSIC

Chancel Choir Returns this Fall -- Wednesdays at 7:30 PM.
No auditions needed; all are welcome
(HS to adults). Contact: dkostner@lacny.org

FOLLOW REV. BYNUM IN SCOTLAND

Check for regular updates on LAC's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/lacnyconnect>

THIS WEEK AT LAC

SUNDAY, JULY 5

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

MONDAY, JULY 6

Office closed in observance of July 4th

THURSDAY, JULY 9

7:15 pm AA (Carhart)



Welcome to Rev. Calum Stark & family.

CONNECT WITH US

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

337 My Country, 'Tis of Thee

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of
 2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the
 3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from
 4 Our *fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing: land where my
 no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy
 all the trees sweet free - dom's song. Let mor - tal
 lib - er - ty, to thee we sing. Long may our

*fa - thers died, land of the pil - grims' pride,
 rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;
 tongues a - wake; let all that breathe par - take;
 land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let free - dom ring.
 my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

*Or "parents"

This now-familiar patriotic song was written by a Baptist minister and received its first public performance at an Independence Day celebration by the Boston Sabbath School Union in 1831. It was written to replace a German patriotic text sung to the same tune.

339 Lift Every Voice and Sing

1 Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

ring, ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -
 rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had
 tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the

ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening
 died. Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry
 way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the

skies; let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
 feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?
 light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Initially a poem for a school assembly at which Booker T. Washington spoke on Lincoln's birthday in 1900, this text and tune have gained national recognition and devotion, not only within the African American community, but also among all who seek liberation from oppression.