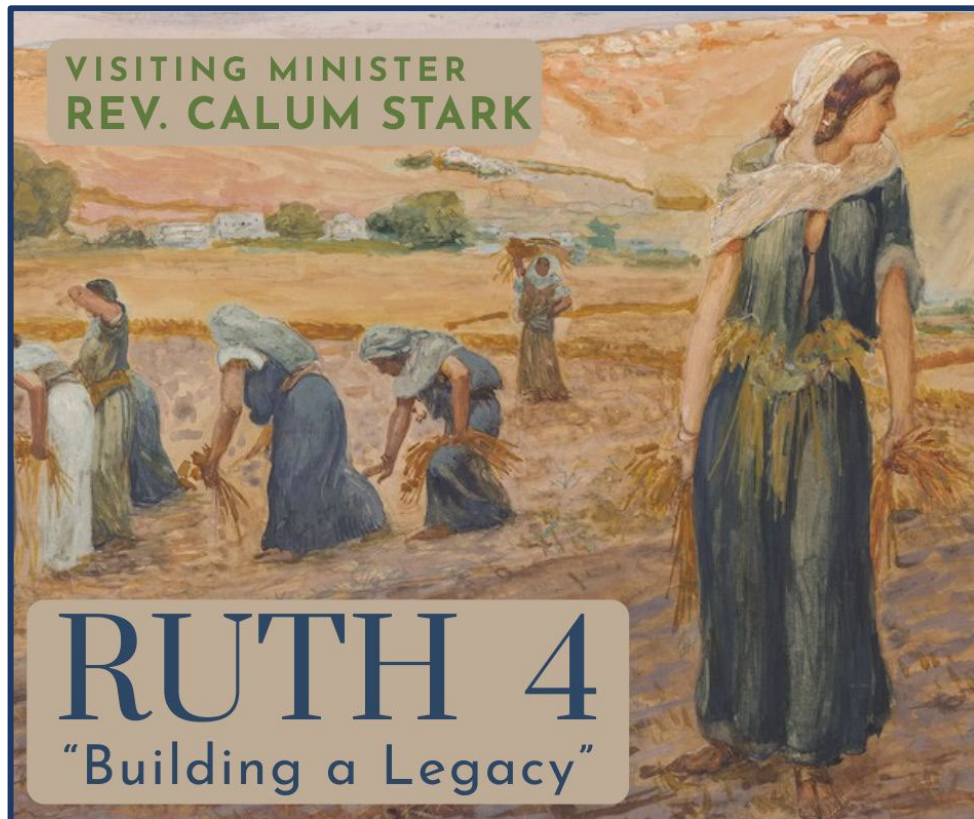




Larchmont Avenue Church

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July 26, 2026
9th Sunday after Pentecost

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum
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Director of Music: Douglas Kostner



PRELUDE

“L’Agreablé”
Caitlyn Carpenter, viola

Marin Marais

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: Come worship God,

All: who gives food to the hungry and sets the prisoner free.

One: Come worship God,

All: who gives life to the lifeless and sets our hearts aflame.

One: Come worship God,

All: and bring your gifts before the One who is their source.

One: Come worship God.

***OPENING HYMN #317**

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

Spirit, reclaim us when we fall short of your glory, when we do not deserve your promises, when we do not act like those who have been called your family.

Spirit, redeem us when our words harm others, when our silence speaks volumes, when our actions are a far cry from what you would have us do.

Spirit, recreate us and reform us into the image of Christ, so that we might be part of your faithful family forevermore, 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)*

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 4:1-12

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Rev. Claunch

SECOND READING

Ruth 4:13-22

SERMON

“Building a Legacy”

Rev. Calum Stark

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #803 (verse 3)

*The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode, and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
no more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.
no more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

THE GREAT AMEN (congregation singing)

*Amen. Amen. Amen. Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!*

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

“Resignation”
Caitlyn Carpenter, viola

Arr. Kenneth Drake

*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 #372

“O for a World”

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Stark

POSTLUDE

“Le Basque”
Caitlyn Carpenter, viola

Marin Marais

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

Scan this QR code to sponsor sanctuary flowers for an upcoming Sunday.



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!

MUSIC

Chancel Choir Returns this Fall -- Wednesdays at 7:30 PM. No auditions needed; all are welcome

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 26

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)

11:00 am Coffee Hour (Russell Hall)

THURSDAY, JULY 30

7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

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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.

O for a World

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The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves.

1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,

where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

Everything longed for in this text is a reminder of how far our present world is from what God wants. Yet this is not just wishful thinking; it is a call to action, a summons to participate in the fulfillment of God's desire for all earth's people to live in radical *shalom*.