



"Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard" by Christian Wilhelm Ernst Dietrich (1752)

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*THE PEACE

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We live only by the goodness of the Lord,

All: who showers blessing on the just and unjust.

One: We boast only in the grace of Jesus Christ,

All: for the first will be last, and the last will be first.

One: Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN #722** *“Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”* (verses 1, 4, and 5)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

God of goodness and generosity, we find ourselves bitter when faced with your abundant grace. We believe ourselves more deserving than others. We nurse our anger and resentment at those you forgive, instead of rejoicing in the abundant love you show.

Forgive us when we try to limit your love and put boundaries on your grace. Help us to remember that we are all in need of your grace, and help us rejoice for every person who receives your mercy... [time for silent prayer]

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***GLORIA PATRI #582**

Paul M. Vasile

*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)*

Christel Pugin

Faithful God, as your Word is read and proclaimed, descend to us we pray. Stretch our minds and our hearts, so that we might love as you love. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38:1-33

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Claunch

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 20:1-16

SERMON

“No Fair!”

Rev. Bynum

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #435 (verse 2)

*For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word,
and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.*

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. 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!*

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OFFERTORY

“O Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me”

Eugene Butler

O Lord, thou hast searched and known me.

Thou knowest when I sitteth down and when I rise up.

Thou searchest out my path, and my lying down, and are acquainted in all my ways.

O lord, thou hast searched and known me. Thou layest thy hand upon me.

Wonderful are thy works, O Lord! If I ascend into heaven, thou art there!

If I take the wings of the morning, thou art there! I praise thee for thou art wonderful.

O Lord, thou hast searched me and known me, and I praise thy name.

***DOXOLOGY #607**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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 #542 “God Be with You Till We Meet Again”**

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Bynum

POSTLUDE

“God Be With You”

Arr. Rulon Christiansen

*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 at (914) 834-1800, ext. 342.

FLOWERS

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL: *Children are invited to meet in the Carhart Room following the Children's Message.*

- Little ones are welcome in worship, but a nursery for infants & toddlers is also available in Room 114. Ask an usher for directions.
- Women's Bible Study – Tues. Oct. 6

FELLOWSHIP

- Volunteers are needed to provide light snacks for Coffee Hour. Healthy options are welcome! Please contact the Deacons.
- Blessing of the Animals – Sun. Oct. 4 @ 2pm
- Family Game Night – Fri. Oct. 16 @ 6pm

MUSIC

Chancel Choir – Wednesdays at 7:30 PM. No auditions needed; all are welcome (HS to adults).
Symphonia – Wednesdays @ 7:30 PM, Meets in the Chapel. Contact: dkostner@lacny.org

THIS WEEK AT LAC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)
10:20 am Sunday School (Carhart)
11:00 am Confirmation Meeting (Youth Room)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

9:30 am Hudson River Presbytery Meeting
(Holmes Camp and Conf. Center)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley Room)
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Russell Hall)
7:30 pm Symphonia (Chapel)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:15 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Carhart)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

11:00 am Larchmont Fall Festival
4:00 pm Midnight Run (Russell Hall)

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722 Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak (vs 1, 4, 5)



1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak in liv - ing
 2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wan - dering
 3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the pre - cious
 4 O fill me with your full - ness, Lord, un - til my
 5 O use me, Lord, use e - ven me, just as you



ech - oes of your tone. As you have sought, so
 and the wa - vering feet. O feed me, Lord, that
 truths which you im - part. And wing my words that
 ver - y heart o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and
 will, and when, and where un - til your bless - ed



let me seek your err - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
 I may feed your hun - gery ones with man - na sweet.
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - ya heart.
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.
 face I see, your rest, your joy, your glo - ry share.

Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

542 God Be with You Till We Meet Again

1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; lov - ing
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; un - seen
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's
 4 God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's

coun - sels guide, up - hold you, with a shep - herd's care en -
 wings pro - tect - ing hide you, dai - ly man - na still pro -
 per - ils thick con - found you, put un - fail - ing arms a -
 ban - ner float - ing o'er you; smite death's threat - ening wave be -

fold you:
 vide you:
 round you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 fore you:

After writing the first stanza of his "Christian Good-bye," the author sent it to two composers, one celebrated and one unknown, to see how each would set it. This is the second person's tune, which the author found more effective and used for the hymn's first publication.