



*"Noon, rest from work (after Millet)" by Vincent van Gogh, 1890*

# Larchmont Avenue Church

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July 21, 2024

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# THE SERVICE OF THE LORD

July 21 2024

PRELUDE

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

Arr. Dale Wood

WELCOME AND INVITATION

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

**Welcome to this sanctuary, where you are invited, welcomed, and wanted! Welcome to this congregation, where God's love is for all. Welcome to this ministry, where we seek to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God. Welcome to this fellowship, where we see and celebrate God's love, beauty, and healing power in every person. However you seek God, wherever you are on your spiritual journey, be at peace... be who you are... and know how loved and welcome you are in this place!**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

**Lord, we come to worship you, seeking sabbath rest.**

Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

**Lord, we come to worship you, to listen for your teachings and to seek rest for our souls.**

Jesus said, "For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**Lord, we come to worship you, that we might serve you faithfully.**

Give thanks to God; bless God's name!

**For the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness to all generations.**

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

\*OPENING HYMN #20

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

NEW MEMBERS RECEPTION AND SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM The Widner Family

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN "*Welcome, Child of God*" (to the tune of #36)

***Raindrops, oceans, lakes, and rivers; welcome, child of God!***

***Mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters; welcome, child of God!***

***When the world feels wide around you, when the dark of night surrounds you,  
we are here to tend and guide you. Welcome, child of God!***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**Good and gracious God, we confess that we run ourselves ragged. We are busy and preoccupied with so many things. We neglect to be still and know that you are God. Even our sabbath time can be filled with "busy-ness." Forgive us, Lord, for not accepting your gift and guidance of rest and restoration. Help us to put on the yoke of Jesus and walk in the way he models for us, mindful of our spiritual health and responding with compassion to the needs of our neighbors. Loving God, thank you for Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, who makes us complete in everything good so that we may do his will, working**

**among us that which is pleasing in his sight. We pray through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen** *(time for silent prayer)*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*GLORIA (#581)

***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)

**Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God. Open our ears and our hearts to your teachings, Lord, that we may be strengthened in our faith and equipped for ministry in your name. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING      Psalm 23

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE      Rev. Claunch

NEW TESTAMENT READING      Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

SERMON      "Rest Awhile"      Rev. Claunch

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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!***

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      The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want      Arr. Dale Wood  
*The tune for this hymn text setting of Psalm 23 is named Brother James' Air, after James Leith Macbeth Bain (1860-1925), a Scottish minister, hymn writer, and author who was known as simply Brother James.*

\*DOXOLOGY #607

***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 #824 "There Is a Place of Quiet Rest"

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE *Toccata in C* Johann Pachelbel

*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!*

### 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 [broodal@lacny.org](mailto:broodal@lacny.org) 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 [broodal@lacny.org](mailto:broodal@lacny.org).



Do you have a prayer request to share with our LAC community? Call our prayer line at (914) 834-1800, ext. 342, or scan the QR code.

- **Nursery Care** is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers up to age 2.

### THIS WEEK AT LAC

#### SUNDAY, JULY 21

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)

11:15 am Coffee Hour (Russell Hall)

#### TUESDAY, JULY 23

6:45 pm Al-Anon (Library)

7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

11:00 am Staff Meeting

#### THURSDAY, JULY 25

7:15 pm AA (Carhart)



# 20 All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain

All things bright and beau-ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,

all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all. *Fine*

1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,  
 2 The pur - ple-head-ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,  
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas-ant sum-mer sun,  
 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

God made their glow-ing col - ors; God made their ti - ny wings.  
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky:  
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - ery one.  
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well. *to Refrain*

One of a series of hymns the author wrote for children on the Apostles' Creed, this text (originally in seven stanzas) expands "Maker of heaven and earth." The first stanza became the refrain when the text was later set to a popular tune from the age of King Charles II.

# There Is a Place of Quiet Rest 824

Near to the Heart of God

1 There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God,  
 2 There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God,  
 3 There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God,

a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.  
 a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.  
 a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.

## Refrain

O Je - sus, blest Re - deem - er, sent from the heart of God,

hold us, who wait be - fore thee, near to the heart of God.

A Presbyterian campus pastor and choir director in Missouri wrote this simple but moving hymn in response to the death of two young nieces from diphtheria. By distilling such personal grief into the shared assurances of faith, these words have brought comfort to many.