



"Praise the LORD and Sing to God a New Song" by Stushie Art

Larchmont Avenue Church

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Hymn Sing Sunday
July 28, 2024

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Director of Music: Douglas Kostner

THE SERVICE OF THE LORD

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PRELUDE

I Am a Child of God
Cameron Grey, violin

Marshall McDonald

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Written by Christ Altrock*)

Praise is contagious.

Like an epidemic, its location spreads – from earth to heaven.

Like a pandemic, its motive spreads – from what the LORD has done to who the LORD is.

There's not an instrument that remains unaffected—

trump, harp, and cymbals are swept up in praise.

There's not a human or creature who remains immune—

everything that breaths catches the bug to sing “Hallelujah!”

May no cure ever be found for the contagion that is worship.

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

*OPENING HYMN #641 “When in Our Music God Is Glorified” (*verses 1, 2 & 5*)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

O God, you call us to sing your song anew, yet we confess that sometimes we don't feel much like singing. Sometimes we just want to sing of the past. Other times we ignore the witness of your people singing out through the ages. Forgive us when we trap your good news in our preferred language, when we insist that your grace must be known through our approved tunes, when we limit your story to the good old days. Forgive us when our lips are sealed in protest or in fear. Forgive us when we keep our voices low and our feet firmly planted, refusing to join you in the song and dance of holy life. Open our lips, O God, that we may proclaim your praise...

(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*)

Wes Huang

O Living God of past and future, we praise you for this present moment. Fill us with your joy and empower us with your Holy Spirit, that your strength may be renewed to sing a new song of your glory in a world which longs for your justice and peace. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 100

OT, page 552

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Claunch

NEW TESTAMENT READING Colossians 3:12-17

NT, page 201

HYMN SING

PRAYER 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 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

Ave Maria

Bach/Gounod

Melanie Huang, flute & Blake James, piano

*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 #625

“How Great Thou Art” *(verses 1 & 4)*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

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Edwin Childs

*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

The flowers at today's service are given with blessings by Pat and Jim Allen in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary.



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 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.



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 28

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

TUESDAY, JULY 30

6:45 pm Al-Anon (Library)
7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

11:00 am Staff Meeting

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

7:15 pm AA (Carhart)



ADORATION

641 When in Our Music God Is Glorified



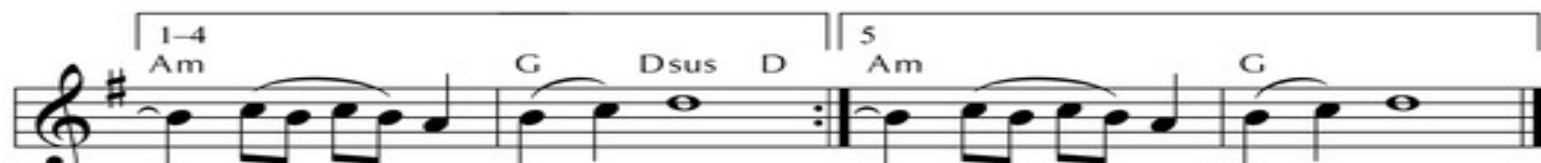
- 1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied,
- 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found
- 3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song,
- 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night
- 5 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise!



and ad - o - ra - tion leaves no room for pride,
 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound,
 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong,
 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the light?
 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise!



it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried:
 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found
 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue:
 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:
 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Written to supply this tune with words suitable for occasions celebrating music, this text explores how human song gives voice to creation, how music can convey new insight, how sung faith has kept the church authentic, how Jesus relied on the psalms, and how sound can be praise.

O Lord My God

How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
 2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der and hear the
 3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion and take me

all the *worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees, when I look down from
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then *I shall bow in

hear the *roll-ing thun-der, thy power through-out the
 loft-y moun-tain gran-deur and hear the brook and
 bur-den glad-ly bear-ing, he bled and died to
 hum-ble ad-o-ra-tion, and there pro-claim, "My

**Author's original words are "works," "mighty," and "shall I bow."*

This tuneful retelling of the salvation story began in Swedish and was translated into German and then into Russian before reaching its English form. Despite such linguistic and musical revisions, it continues to be a meaningful source of comfort to many people.