



“Alpha and Omega” (Detail of Christ of the Resurrection Window, Larchmont Avenue Church)

Larchmont Avenue Church

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Reign of Christ /Bring a Friend Sunday
November 24, 2024

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



PRELUDE "Cedar Hollow" Bob Woodruff
Larchmont Symphonia

INTROIT "I Am the Way" Douglas Kostner
*I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father except through me.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peter Bynum

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reign of Christ shows us the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

May this truth guide our thoughts.

Christ our Lord sits on the throne of love.

May this love fill our hearts.

Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not grow faint.

May this hope lift our spirits.

Let us worship the Lord our God, who reigns above.

***WELCOMING GUESTS/PASSING THE PEACE**

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

***OPENING HYMN** "Welcome to This Place"
Larchmont Symphonia and Congregation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*) Rev. Anna Grace Claunch
Gracious Lord, we are quick to identify our enemies and slow to name the ways we hurt others. You ask us to pursue justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, but we put our time, our energy, and our faith in other things. Heal us and help us, O God. Turn us from the ways of sin, and renew a right spirit within us, to the glory of your holy name... (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.*

MOMENT FOR MISSION Deacons Food Ministry Beverly Bell

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*) James Manice
Lord, as we open your Word this morning, help us to tune out the tangled wisdom of the world, so that we might hear eternal truths that can only be found in you. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Samuel 23:1-7

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Claunch

ANTHEM

“El Cielo Canta”

Pablo Sosa

Andrei Orasanu, guitar

*El cielo canta alegría, ¡Aleluya!
Porque en tu vida y la mia brilla la gloria de Dios.
¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!*

*El cielo canta alegría ¡Aleluya!
Porque a tu vida y la mia las une el amor de Dios.
¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!*

*El cielo canta alegría, ¡Aleluya!
Porque tu vida y la mia proclamarán al Señor.
¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!*

NEW TESTAMENT READING Revelation 1:4b-8

SERMON

“Alpha and Omega”

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #366 (verses 1 and 2)

*Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.
Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest.
Take away our love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.*

PRAYERS 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 via Realm, by scanning the QR code here or via pledge cards found in the pew or at the rear of the sanctuary.



OFFERTORY

“Simple Gifts”
Larchmont Symphonia

Aaron Copland

***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 #265 “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun” (vv. 1, 4, and 5)

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Bynum

***CHORAL AMEN**

***POSTLUDE**

“Ching-a-Ring Chaw”
Larchmont Symphonia

Aaron Copland

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

Feel free to greet your neighbors!

THIS WEEK’S MUSICAL GUEST

Andrei Orasanu a classical guitarist is joining us for the first time. Andrei has studied with many notable teachers including Katty Mayorga, James Kerr, Scott Hill and composer/pianist Lyudmila German. Andrei has participated in many prestigious national and international competitions and festivals where he took altogether over thirty prizes.

** 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

If you are interested in sponsoring flowers, please contact the office at broodal@lacny.org.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- Join the Women's Bible Study! Email broodal@lacny.org.
- Men's Bible Study. Contact Arthur Washington, ajwash@optonline.net.
- Tiny Theologians meet today! Ages 3 thru 5th grade.

FELLOWSHIP

- Scotland Pilgrimage <https://www.lacny.org/2025-pilgrimage-to-scotland/>
- Interfaith Thanksgiving 11/26 @ 6:30 pm, St. John's Episcopal Church.
- Midnight Run: 12/7, 4 PM Russell Hall.

MUSIC

- Mark your calendars! Larchmont Symphonia 12/8, 12/24 (8pm).
- Student Quartet 12/15.
- Children Guitarist Duo 12/22.
- String Quartet and Flute Trio 12/24 @ 5pm.

SERVICE

- LAC Food Connection. Contact: lacoffice@lacny.org to volunteer.

THIS WEEK AT LAC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)
10:20 Tiny Theologians (Carhart)
11:15 am Coffee Hour (Russell Hall)

MONDAY NOVEMBER 25

6:00 pm Larch. -Mamaron. Youth Orch.
7:00 pm Session Meeting (Lindsley)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

9:00 am Preschool Event (Carhart)
7:00 pm AA (Carhart)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Happy Thanksgiving!
7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

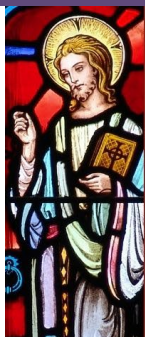
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Church and Preschool Closed

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Happy Birthday Anna Grace!

STEWARDSHIP 2025



Opening
Doors

Stewardship
2025

Goals:
10% ↑ in gifts
110 total pledges

Commitments
to date:
\$506,450

66

PRIOR DONORS

7

NEW DONORS

36

INCREASED GIFTS



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Congregation

Welcome to This Place

LAC 2024 Youth Group

Douglas Kostner

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a dynamic marking of *f* (forte). The lyrics are: "Wel - come to this place of God's love and wor - ship,". The second staff starts with a measure rest of 3 measures, followed by the lyrics: "wel - come to this space of un - con - di - tion - al love.". The third staff starts with a measure rest of 5 measures, followed by the lyrics: "Wel - come to this place where ev - ery - one's in - vi - ted,". The fourth staff starts with a measure rest of 7 measures, followed by the lyrics: "en - ter in this space of un - con - di - tion - al love.". The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and rests, with some notes beamed together.

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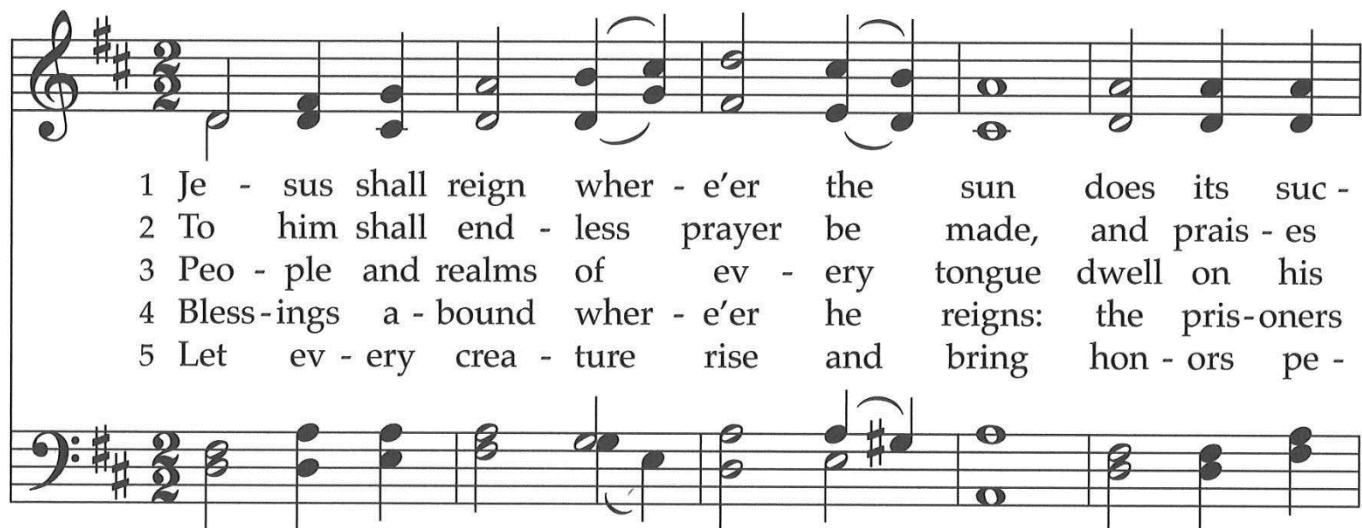
**Welcome to this place of God's love and worship,
Welcome to this space of unconditional love.
Welcome to this place where everyone's invited,
Enter in this space of unconditional love.**

Welcome to this place, this community of connection. **(Refrain 1x)**

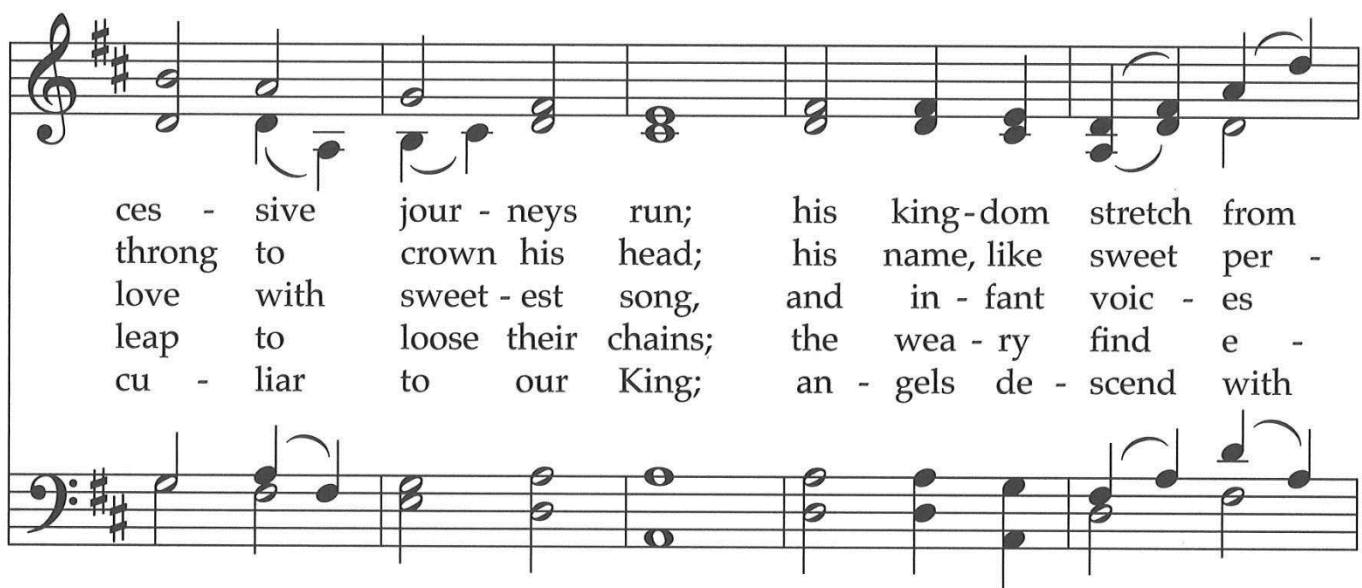
Welcome to this place, this community of acceptance. **(Refrain 1x)**

Welcome to this place, this space of growth and forgiveness. **(Refrain 1x)**

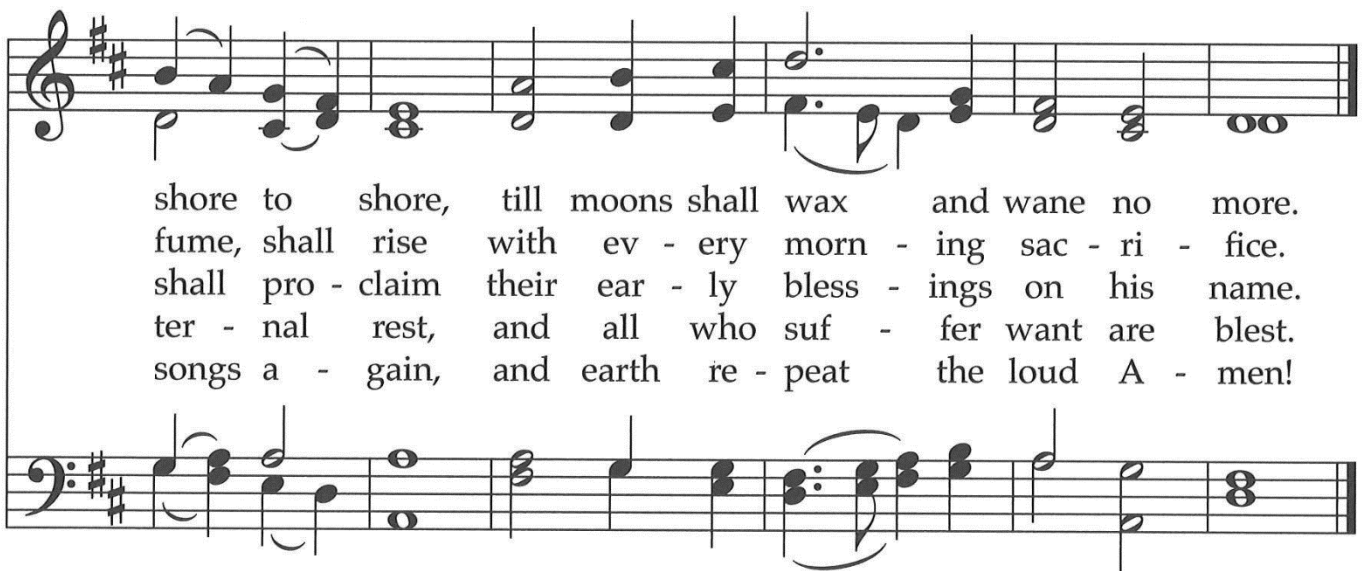
265 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song, and in - fant voic - es
leap to loose their chains; the wea - ry find e -
cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume, shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud A - men!