



"The Offering," Saturnino Herrán (1913)

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Seventh Sunday after Epiphany February 23, 2025

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Director of Music: Douglas Kostner



PRELUDE “Variations on W żłobie leży” Wayne Wold

INTROIT “Come, Let Us Walk in the Light ” Douglas Kostner
Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

MOMENT FOR MISSION *Jirandy Martinez, Community Resource Center*

***THE PEACE**

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(from Colossians 1)*

One: In Christ God has rescued us from the power of darkness;
in Him we have redemption; in Him our sins are forgiven.

All: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in Him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible.

One: In Christ the patterns of life are revealed: wisdom from what the world deems foolish;
strength from what the world calls weakness; life that prevails over death.

All: He Himself is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

One: Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN #410** “God is Calling through the Whisper”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

O Christ, the economy of your love is beautiful, abundant, and generous.

Sadly, the economy of our love is often stingy and crooked.

We invest love when and where it can be repaid. We spend mercy when and where it yields gain.

The blessings we offer are those we can bank on, while we hold our grudges with interest.

Forgive us our debts, O Christ, as we forgive our debtors; this we pray with our whole hearts...*(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)*

Carter Moed

Lord, as we open your Word this morning, we ask you to speak to us in power and in truth, so that we might follow you more closely, to the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 23

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Rev. Bynum

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Rev. Bynum

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #250 (*verse 3*)

*In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

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**The 23rd Psalm

Bobby McFerrin

The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all I need. She makes me lie down in green meadows, beside the still waters she will lead. She restores my soul, she rights my wrongs, she leads me in a path of good things, and fills my heart with songs. Even though I walk through a dark and dreary land, there is nothing that can shake me. She has said she won’t forsake me, I’m in her hand. She sets a table before me in the presence of my foes, she anoints my head with oil, and my cup overflows. Surely, surely goodness and kindness will follow me all the days of my life, and I will live in her house forever and ever.

Glory be to our Mother, and Daughter, and to the Holy of Holies. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, amen.

***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 #819**

“Be Still, My Soul”

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Bynum

POSTLUDE

“Fugue in F”

Johann Pachelbel

*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!*

** 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

- No Sunday School today. Have a safe and fun winter break!
- Join the Women's Bible Study! Email broodal@lacny.org.
- Men's Bible Study. Contact Arthur Washington, ajwash@optonline.net.


FELLOWSHIP

- Coffee served by our deacons in Russell Hall each Sunday at 11:15 am.
- Sign Up Today! 3/13. SEEKERS @ 7pm. Dr. John Delfs, founder of Good Wolf. <https://www.lacny.org/seekers/> or Scan the QR Code 
- Interested in the Scottish Pilgrimage? Learn more @ lacny.org.
- Interested in membership at LAC? Reach out to Rev. Bynum at pbynum@lacny.org.

MUSIC

Looking for ways to get involved? Joining the choir is a great way to make a joyful noise (and some great friends as well). Call the church office or email dkostner@lacny.org for more details.

SERVICE

- Community Resource Center will be with us for Moment for Mission and at Coffee Hour. Take a minute to say hello & learn more
- LAC Food Connection: lacoffice@lacny.org
- Midnight Run Dates: 3/1, 4/5.
- LAC Family Day of Service, March 1st. [Scan the QR code to Signup](#) 

THIS WEEK AT LAC

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:00 pm Larch.-Mamaron. Youth Orch. (Carhart)
7:00 pm Elders' Meeting (Library)

7:00 pm Trustees Meeting (Lindsley Room)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:45 pm Al Anon (Library)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley)
5:30 pm Youth Group (Off site)
7:30 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

4:30 pm Westchester Children's Chorus (Russell Hall, Carhart, Chapel)
7:15pm AA (Carhart)

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

9:00 am Family Day of Service
4:00 pm Midnight Run (Russell Hall)

STEWARDSHIP



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410 God Is Calling through the Whisper

1 God is call-ing through the whis-per of the Spir - it's deep-est sighs,
 2 God is call-ing through the voic-es of our neigh-bors' ur-gent prayers,
 3 God is call-ing through the mu-sic of sub-lime and hu-man arts,

through the thrill of sud-den beau-ties that can catch us by sur-prise.
 through their long-ing for re-demp-tion and for res-cue from de-spair.
 through the hymns of earth and an-gels, and the car-ols of our hearts.

Flash of light-ning, crash of thun-der; hush of still-ness, rush of won-der:
 Place of hurt or face of need-ing; stri-dent cry or si-lent plead-ing:
 Lift of joy and gift of sing-ing; days and nights our prais-es bring-ing:

God is call - ing—can you hear? God is call - ing—can you hear?
 God is call - ing—can you hear? God is call - ing—can you hear?
 God is call - ing—and we hear! God is call - ing—and we hear!

This wide-ranging text reminds us of the many surprising and urgent ways God calls to us, both to draw us near and to send us forth. In the third line of music it is especially effective at harnessing the momentum of the phrases that are each a note higher than the one before.

819

Be Still, My Soul

1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.
 2 Be still, my soul: thy God doth un - der - take
 3 Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on

Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain.
 to guide the fu - ture sure - ly as the past.
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord;

Leave to thy God to or - der and pro - vide,
 Thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;
 when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,

who through all chang - es faith - ful will re - main.
 all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.
 sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.

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This meditative text seems to be rooted in Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God," while also reaching forward to 1 Thessalonians 4:17b, "we will be with the Lord forever." Much of the appeal of this hymn comes from its tune, named for the tone poem on which it is based.

LIVING AND DYING IN CHRIST

Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heaven - ly Friend
 Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
 Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It begins with a quarter rest followed by a series of chords and single notes. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature. It begins with a half note G2, followed by chords and single notes. The lyrics are centered between the two staves.

through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
 his voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
 all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

The second system of music also consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two flats. It continues the melody from the first system. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature. It continues the bass line from the first system. The lyrics are centered between the two staves.