

Song of Praise

Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning.

Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing; Praise for the morning;

Praise for them springing fresh from the word.

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven

Like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden

Sprung in completeness where his feet pass

Mine is the sunlight; Mine is the morning

Born of the one light Eden saw play.

Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning

God's re-creation of the new day.

Benediction

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!
We hope you will be our guest at the church for worship.

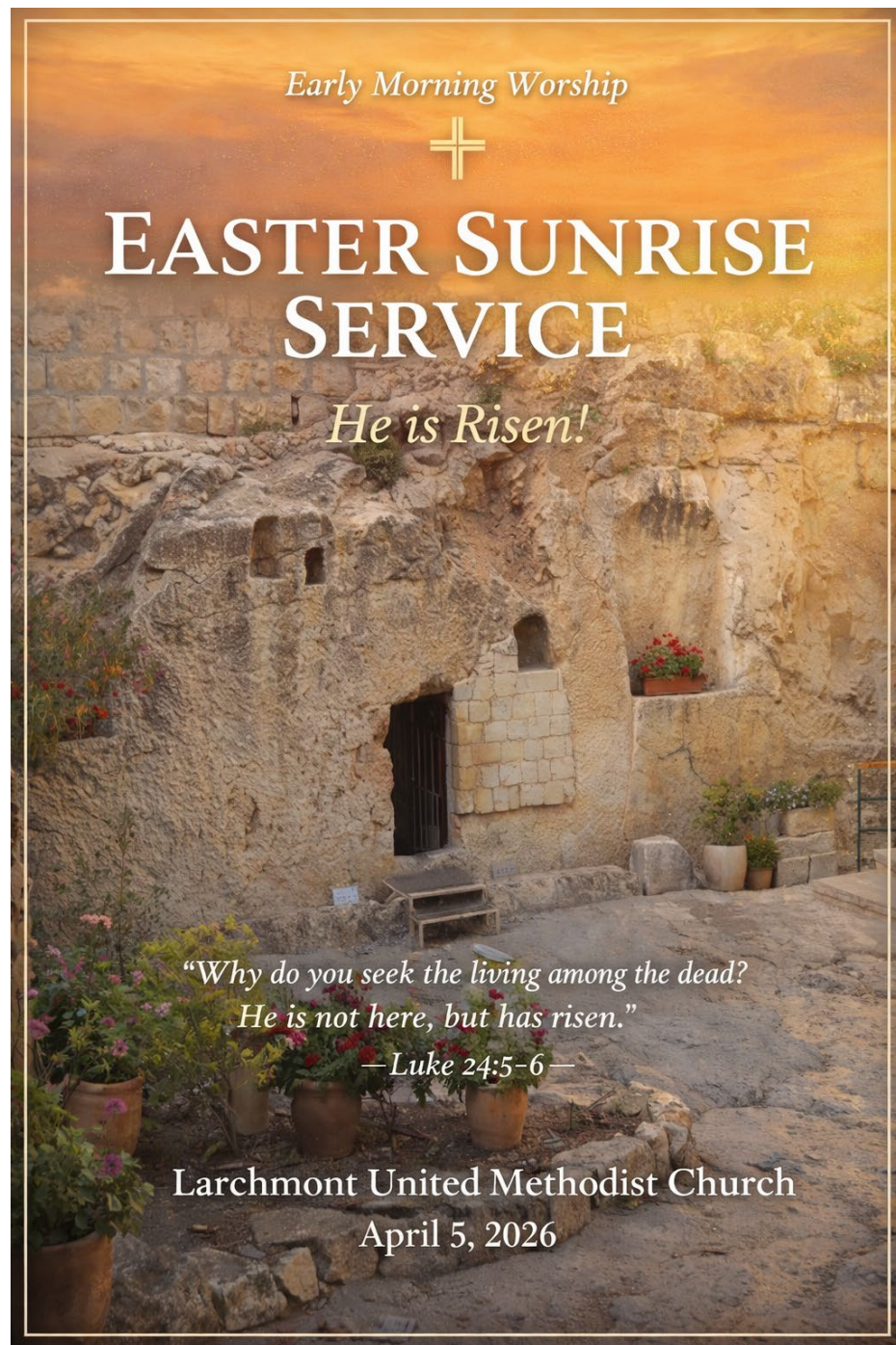
Sunday Worship Schedule:

8:35 AM Simple Service - relaxed, informal acoustic worship

9:30 AM Sunday School for children and adults

9:45 AM Butterfly Release

10:30 AM Traditional music, formal liturgy



Early Morning Worship
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**EASTER SUNRISE
SERVICE**
He is Risen!

*“Why do you seek the living among the dead?
He is not here, but has risen.”
—Luke 24:5-6—*

Larchmont United Methodist Church
April 5, 2026

**Larchmont United Methodist Church's Sunrise Easter
Worship
April 6, 2026**

Welcome and Call to Worship Rev. Fran Cooper

Leader: Living Lord, once dead, alive forever,
we greet your rising.

**People: Light to our darkness, bread to our hunger, life
to our deaths, revive us to joy and dancing.**

Leader: Let us pray together:

**Loving God, as the day begins to brighten, shine your
light into our lives. Chase the corners of sadness,
expose our fears and bring us to the light of new hope,
the dawn of possibility. Open us to your resurrection
power that knows no boundaries. Fill us with
incredible joy, everlasting peace and unquenchable
hope this day and always. In the name of Jesus, the
resurrected One. Amen.**

Gathering Song *Here I Am to Worship*

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore you,
hope of a life spent with you.

CHORUS:

**Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.**

King of all days, O so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above.

Humbly you came to the earth you created,
all for love's sake became poor.

CHORUS

I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross. (Repeat)

CHORUS

Scripture Lesson **Luke 23:50 - 24:10 (NRSV)**

Message *"The Open Tomb"* Jeff Paiste

Prayer of Thanksgiving From Psalm 98

We give thanks to you, Lord,
for you have done marvelous things!

When we were walking in darkness
you were there, you were there,
when we were kneeling in weakness
you were there, you were there,
when we drew near feeling worthless
you were there, you were there,
when we were needing forgiveness
you were there, you were there,
when we were searching for your grace
you were there, you were there.

We give thanks to you, Lord,
for you have done marvelous things!

Let us sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done
marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for us.



LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Vision of Larchmont Church is to be a vibrant, engaging, and inclusive church that follows Jesus Christ.

April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday

†Please stand as you are able

Greetings

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Prelude

Prelude in C Major

JS Bach

Welcome and Announcements

†Passing the Peace

†Processional Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today (vv. 1-4)

No. 302

†Bringing in the Light of Christ

Brooks Huffine (Acolyte)

Mikey Levow (Crucifer)

†Introit

Christ is Arisen

Karle Erickson

Christ is arisen, Hallelujah, Christ is arisen!

†Call To Worship

Dave Loughery, Worship Leader

Leader: Yesterday we thought death had won. Yesterday we thought all was lost. Yesterday we thought Christ was gone.

People: But not today. Today we know that love has won. Today we know that hope is real. Today we know that Christ is here.

Leader: We have a reason to hope.

People: We have a reason to sing!

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed.

ALL: Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Prayer for the Day (unison)

Creator of Life, in raising Christ Jesus up beyond the chains of death, you opened for us the way to eternal and abundant life.

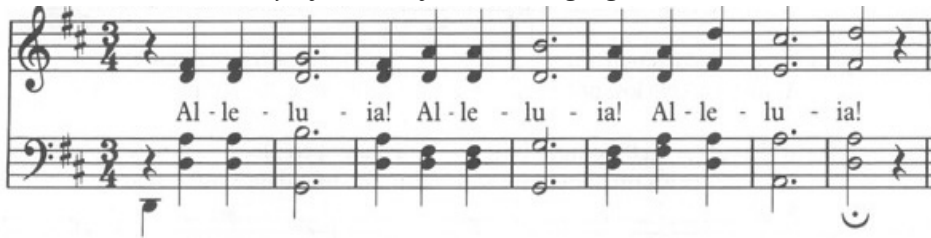
May our "alleluias" this day float high above the ceiling of what we think we know and transcend to the heaven of what we believe.

Raise us up! Renew our lives! Resurrect our dreams!

Through Jesus Christ our Living Savior, Amen.

Prayers of the People Sing response below as prompted by liturgist:

We lift your holy name, singing...



Children's Message

Rev. Cooper

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 28:1-10

Worship Leader

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Anthem

Rejoice, the Risen Lord is King!

Arr. Heather Sorenson

*Rejoice! The Lord is Risen! Rejoice! The Lord is risen as he said!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Rejoice! The Lord is King!
Rejoice! The risen Lord is King! Your Lord and King in heav'n adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
Jesus, our Lord and Saviour reigns, the God of perfect truth and love.
When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above.
Lift up your Heart and sing! Lift up your Heart and sing! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!
Rejoice! The Lord is risen as he said! He is the King!
Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the judge shall come
and take His servants up to their eternal home.
His kingdom shall not end, He rules o'er earth and heav'n. We sing hallelujah to the King!
Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your God and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart! Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice! Rejoice and sing Hallelujah!
The Lord is King! He is risen! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Rejoice! The Lord is King!*

Sermon

"The Stone Has Been Removed"

Rev. Fran Cooper

†Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

No. 881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand**

of God the Father Almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

†Sung Response *Glory Be to the Father* No. 71

Invitation to Communion

Confession and Pardon

Celebrating Our Offerings

Offertory *Festive Trumpet Tune* David German

†Doxology *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 94

†Communion Hymn *Christ Is Risen* No. 307
(Elements are brought in at this time)

The Great Thanksgiving

Communion Prayers Musical Setting A (pp. 17-18)

Lord's Prayer

Receiving the Bread and the Cup

Music During Communion

Open the Gates of the Temple (Mrs. Joseph F. Knapp, transcribed by Rob Roy Peery)

Open the gates of the Temple, one grand Hallelujah be heard.

Open your hearts to the Savior, make room for the crucified Lord.

Tears and the anguish of midnight are lost in the splendor of day.

They who in sorrow once doubted, are swelling a glad refrain.

I know that my Redeemer liveth. Canst thou, my heart, lift up thy voice and sing:

I know, yes I know that my Redeemer liveth, and because He lives, I too, I too shall live.

Improvisation on Easter Tunes (Will Pearson)

†Response Hymn *The Day of Resurrection* (vv. 1,3) No. 303

†Benediction

†Benediction Response *Hallelujah* (from Messiah) G.F. Handel

†Postlude *Toccata from Symphony 5* Charles-Marie Widor

THIS WEEK AT LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, April 5, 2026

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service (6125 Carroll Place)
8:15 a.m. Heavenly Grounds
8:30 a.m. Nursery
8:35 a.m. Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes
9:45 a.m. Butterfly Release (Greenspace)
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
1:00 p.m. Tidewater Basketry (FH)

Monday, April 6, 2026

6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study at the Wetzel's

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Larchmont Ringers
6:00 p.m. 835LIVE Band Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Prayer Group
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Sunday, April 12, 2026

8:15 a.m. Heavenly Grounds
8:30 a.m. Nursery
8:35 a.m. Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

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LARCHMONT UMC NOTICES!

April 5, 2026



Have you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money?

You're not alone! You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. It's time for your struggles to end- starting this month!

Join our FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASS

starting on SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH at Larchmont United Methodist Church at 1101 Jamestown Crescent. Each 90 minute class will start at 3:30 pm. Classes will run every Sunday through June 21st (if you miss a class or two, you can view the missed class on-line). **Don't wait! THE FIRST 8 PERSONS/FAMILIES TO SIGN UP ARE FREE!** (Normal cost- \$99.99. You get the workbook and a year's access to FPU resources). Contact our coordinator, Gary Chiaverotti (chiaverotti@aol.com) for your free membership code. Once you get the code, you can sign up for the course!

SPRC Staff Spotlight

The Staff Parish Relations Committee will be highlighting a member of the LUMC staff each month in 2026. Our staff is important to the ministries of our church and the committee feels we should all recognize their service.

For April, we recognize **Amber Pickrell**, our **Bookkeeper**.

She prepares payments and attends to LUMCs financial documents and budget. Her attention to detail keeps Fran on track and we appreciate her service! Amber also serves as a bookkeeper for an accounting firm in the area. Baseball is a passion and Amber is a fan of Maury baseball, the Norfolk Tides and the LA Dodgers. Amber enjoys spending time with her family and 2 dogs, watching sports, and playing volleyball.



Pastor Fran will be welcoming new members into the church at the end of the month. If you would like to join, contact Pastor Fran at francooper@vaumc.org.

Use this QR code to give online using your phone. →



Online Giving

GRADUATE SUNDAY!

Parents/Guardians: if you have a high school or college graduate this year, please save the date for Sunday, May 17th for our Graduates Reception after church during the potluck. Please contact youth@larchmontumc.org for more details and **RSVP by April 15th** with your graduate's info!

Assisting in Worship

This Sunday

April 5, 2026

Dave Loughery

Fran Cooper

Sara Morris

Jeff Paiste

Stephen Croffie Djan

Clarise Hicks

Chris Calvert

Jonathan Clark

Robert King

Demi Wheeler

Nel Booker

Jonathan Clark

Monica Levow

Jonathan Clark

Laura Calvert

Chris Calvert

Next Sunday

April 12, 2026

Kami Lannetti

Cathy Coleman

Wina Giddens

Jeff Paiste

Bill Huber

Clarise Hicks

Chris Calvert

Dave Lannetti

Pris Peake

Robert King

Watt Jones

Rob Baxter

Ben Hatcher

Jonathan Clark

Rob Baxter

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