



LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

July 26, 2026

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

†Please stand as you are able

Prelude

Adoration

Florence Price

Announcements and Greetings

†Passing the Peace

†Bringing in the Light of Christ

†Opening Hymn

Seek Ye First

No. 405

†Call To Worship from the book of Haggai

Claudia Wade, Worship Leader

Leader: Come, people of God. The Lord calls us to consider our ways and return our hearts to Him.

People: **We come to seek first the kingdom of God and to worship the One who is faithful.**

Leader: The Lord is with His people. He stirs weary hearts, strengthens willing hands, and calls us to His holy work.

People: **We will not be discouraged, for the Lord Almighty is in our midst.**

Leader: "Be strong... and work. For I am with you," declares the Lord.

People: **We place our trust not in our own strength, but in the presence of our God.**

Leader: The glory of God is greater than anything we can build with our own hands. His peace is His gift to those who seek Him.

People: **We come to honor the Lord with our worship, our lives, and our obedience.**

Leader: Let us lift our voices with joy, for the God who calls us is the God who blesses, restores, and fulfills His promises.

People: **We worship the Lord with grateful hearts. May our lives bring glory to His name. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Solo

Lord, I Need You

Matt Maher

Dai Poole (tenor), Scott Guirlinger (guitar), Richard Freeman (mandola), Will Pearson (piano)

*Lord, I come I confess, bowing here I find my rest,
And without You I fall apart, You're the one that guides my heart.*

Chorus

*Lord, I need You, Oh I need You; Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness; Oh God how I need You.*

*Where sin runs deep Your grace is more; Where grace is found is where You are;
And where You are Lord, I am free; holiness is Christ in me.
Where You are Lord, I am free; holiness is Christ in me.*

Bridge

*So, teach my song to rise to You hen temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You. Jesus You're my hope and stay.
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Chorus

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My one defense, my righteousness; Oh God how I need You.
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Scripture Lesson

Haggai 2:1-9

Worship Leader

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon

"Look Beneath the Surface" (Haggai)

Rev. Fran Cooper

WORSHIP SERIES: Minor Prophets – Major Truths

†Response Hymn

Servant Song

No. 2222 (TFWS)

Celebrating Our Offerings

Offering Prayer (unison)

***Dear Heavenly Father, as we build for the future today,
may our gifts shine Your light and show Your way.
Help us to serve as living stones, our work to be your vibrant home. Amen.***

THIS WEEK AT LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, July 26, 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
5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
6:00 p.m.	Music on the Greenspace

Monday, July 27, 2026

7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council (Zoom)
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Tuesday, July 28, 2026

10:00 a.m.	Staff meeting
7:00 p.m.	BOR Troop 24
7:00 p.m.	BSA Troop 24

Wednesday, July 29, 2026

7:00 p.m.	835LIVE Band Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Prayer Group

Thursday, July 30, 2026

6:30 p.m.	Fleece Throw Crafting
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Sunday, August 2, 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
5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class

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



Online Giving

FUNDAY SUNDAY IS AUGUST 30th – and YOU can help!! Are you a great party planner? Do you have fun ideas for kid/adult outdoor play? Can you suggest a craft/missions project for our event? What would you like us to include as we plan our community-wide picnic? Mark your calendars now, and email your ideas (and offers of help!) to us at events@larchmontumc.org

Women's Supper Club:

Join us at Chicken Salad Chick on Thursday Aug.13th at 6pm.

LARCHMONT UMC NOTICES

July 26, 2026

MUSIC ON THE GREENSPACE

Tonight July 26, 6:00 p.m.

Get out your lawn chairs and coolers. Join us for a free outdoor concert. We'll have free hot dogs and all are welcome (even your well-behaved dogs on a leash). We are welcoming **Symphonic Artistry** (Concert Band).



SPRC Staff Spotlight

The Staff Parish Relations Committee will be highlighting a member of the LUMC staff each month in 2026. Our staff is very important to the ministries of our church and the committee felt it was important to recognize them. For July, we are recognizing our Children's Education Director, Cathy Hickman.

Her job includes:

- Overseeing the engaging curriculum for our children's Sunday school classes,
- Planning bulletins, children's messages, and other ways to involve children in the Sunday morning services,
- Planning and overseeing VBS, which not only serves the children of LUMC, but the entire Larchmont community, caring for the children and their families of LUMC by providing supplemental readings, lessons, and activities to do at home, and
- Planning dinners and fellowship time for families with children.

Outside of LUMC, Cathy enjoys:

- Spending time with her family and attending her grandkids' sporting events and programs,
- Walking
- Working jigsaw puzzles, and
- Taking care of Brinkley, the family's golden-doodle.

Special thanks to all of the adults and youth who helped with Vacation Bible School. We had a wonderful week with more than 60 children and at least 30 volunteers. The children had a great time learning that God Loves Them So!! Your willingness to help brought this message to these wonderful children and their families. God Bless You.

Ice Cream Social

The Missions Team is sponsoring an Ice Cream Social at Ghent Healthcare Center on Thursday, July 30th at 1:30pm. Come help make sundaes and serve cool treats and companionship for the residents. For more information contact Claudia at wadecjl@verizon.net.

Night at the Ballpark

The Anchor Men are sponsoring a night out at the Norfolk Tides ball game for Faith and Family night on Tuesday, 8/11. Game time is 6:35pm. Ticket prices are \$14. The church bus will leave the church parking lot at 5:35pm. Please contact Jonathan Clark, clarkjon1058@gmail.com, by Tuesday, 8/4 to reserve your tickets and reserve a spot on the bus. Or you can just meet us at the game. There will be fireworks after the game

Make a Will Month

August is "Make a Will Month." **Question:** What is the minimum size gift that you can make and will make a difference in ensuing LUMC's ability to continue and expand LUMC's missions and ministries into the future? **Answer:** Any amount can make a difference. A legacy gift is not just for the wealthy, it's about faith, vision, and generosity. Consider using the concept of a "Golden Tithe" in your Will or Trust.

Informational class will be offered on August 25th, brought to you by your Legacy Giving Committee.



DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS NEW WAY TO REDUCE YOUR TAXES?

When you file your taxes for 2026 next year, you can claim a tax deduction for your charitable giving even if you take the standard deduction and don't itemize. The latest tax bill allows single persons to deduct monetary gifts up to \$1,000 and married couples filing jointly up to \$2,000.

The Mission Team Event:

The Mission Team is making fleece throws for our friends at Ghent Health Care. Come join us in the Parlor on July 30th at 6:30 pm for a knot-tying sessions. No sewing required! Bring a friend or make a new friend. All ages welcome. Contact Sandra Clark at 757-639-2424 for more info.

LAST DAY TO APPLY!

Larchmont United Methodist Church Foundation 2026 Request for Grant Proposals

The Larchmont United Methodist Church Foundation is an incorporated entity separate from but affiliated with the Church. Our mission is to financially support and enhance the Christian ministries of Larchmont United Methodist Church (LUMC). Each year the Foundation awards grants in support of ministries within and outside of our church for evangelism, community service, education, benevolence, and all forms of Christian outreach. Grants are funded from assets owned by the Foundation.

The Foundation is currently accepting grant proposals from within LUMC as well as community groups and organizations outside the LUMC family. The grant proposal **must** be in writing, for a purpose other than to supplement a regular LUMC budget item, and include the following:

- A clear statement of the purpose(s) of the proposed grant and the specific amount requested.
- A summary of how the requested funds will be spent within the twelve months following approval of the grant proposal.
- For groups outside of LUMC, descriptive information about the requesting group or entity.
- A point of contact, including name, organization, phone number(s), mailing address and email address.

Grant proposals may be submitted electronically or by mail.

- Email submissions are encouraged. Please attach your proposal as a PDF or Word document and send to wina.giddens@gmail.com
- Alternatively, submission may be mailed to:
Larchmont United Methodist Church Foundation
Attention: Grants Committee
1101 Jamestown Crescent
Norfolk, VA 23508

All applications must be received by **July 26, 2026**. Funding decisions are scheduled to be finalized in mid-August. All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application.

For more details, contact Wina Giddens at wina.giddens@gmail.com.

Your Donations Make a Difference

Your generous donations to Missions provided Union Mission with a 2nd Fast Freezer. LUMC previously provided one for their Men's Shelter and it was so helpful that we purchased this one for their Women's Shelter. Fast Freezers keep food fresh, flavorful and prevent waste. Thank you for providing such a wonderful gift!

Offertory *Improvisation on Servant Song* Will Pearson

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

TUNE: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia. Alleluia.

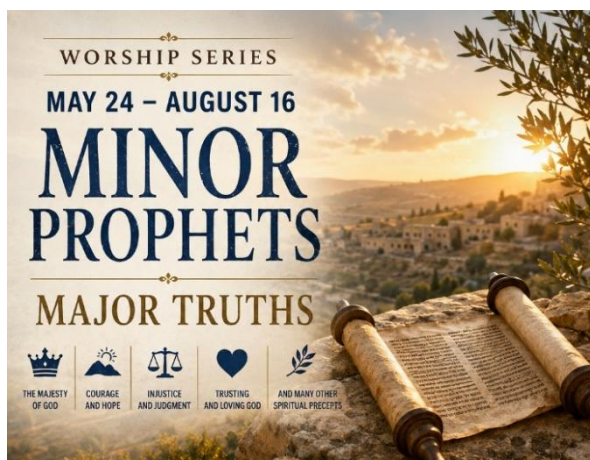
Praise God, the source of all our gifts; Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts,

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

†Closing Hymn *Because He Lives* No. 364

†Benediction

†Postlude *Carillon de Longpont* Louis Vierne



Worship Series: Minor Prophets--Major Truths: Lasting Truths from the OT Minor Prophets

For many Christians, the Minor Prophets can seem distant and incomprehensible. Twelve Voices for Truth shows how these ancient prophets still speak to believers today. By exploring each book's theme in the context of history and revelation, you'll learn how the prophets speak to you today. Though the books

may be minor in length, they are major in the truths they teach, including: the majesty of God, courage and hope, injustice and judgment, trusting and loving God, and many other spiritual precepts. This study helps you discover Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi.

Assisting in Worship

Worship Leader

Media Tech

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Security Trustee

Sunday Stewards

Monday Counters

Bus Driver

Ushers

This Sunday

July 26, 2026

Claudia Wade

Wina Giddens

Bill Huber

Stephen Croffie Djan

Kami Lannetti

Ed Lilly

Dave Lannetti

Chris Burge

GM Ziller

Jonathan Clark

William LeHew

Dave Lannetti

Kami Lannetti

Monica Levow

Next Sunday

August 2, 2026

Gary Chiaverotti

Claudia Wade

Jeff Paiste

Stephen Croffie Djan

Chris Calvert

Brian Casey

Robert King

Demi Wheeler

Julie Etheridge

Michael King

Jonathan Clark

Laura Calvert

Chris Calvert

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