



LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

March 19, 2023 10:30 am

4th Sunday in Lent

†Please stand as you are able

Prelude *Andante Sostenuto (Symphony Gothique)* C. M. Widor

Announcements and Greetings Pastor Fran Cooper

†Passing of the Peace

†Processional Hymn *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* No. 127

†Bringing in the Light of Christ

†Introit *O Come Let Us Worship* Mira Kenge

†Call To Worship Kathy Wetzol, Worship Leader

Leader: Each week, we gather to worship, to encourage one another and to hear from God.

People: May the Holy Spirit lead our time today.

Leader: It will be like so many others before it. We will sing, we will pray, we will hear from the Word of God.

People: Yet Spirit, we ask that today will be different.

Leader: Let us ask God to help us to sing with new vigor, to pray more earnestly and to listen without distraction.

People: Let today be the day we are transformed because we have been together in God's presence.

Prayer for the Day (unison)

Teach us your Word, O God, that we might follow you in faith and obedience. Lead us in the path of your commandments, for we delight to know your statutes. Give us understanding of your law, for we want to observe it with our whole hearts. Turn our hearts to seek you, for in you there is joy and peace and life. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 119:1-3, 10-16, 25-30, 42 (NRSVUE)

Worship Leader

Luke 4:4, 4:8, 4:12 (NRSVUE)

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Anthem

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

C. H. Hubert Parry

*Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;
in purer lives, Thy service find,
in deeper reverence praise.*

*In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word,
Rise up and follow Thee.*

*Drop Thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of Thy peace.*

*Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind and fin,
O still small voice of calm!*

Children's Message

Kacy Hucks

Breakthrough Prayer

God, please break through the barriers we set up, and show us how to become the vibrant, engaging, inclusive church community you call us to be. Amen

Sermon	"The Power of 'It Is Written'" (Worship Series: Jesus in the Wild)	Pastor Fran Cooper
†Hymn	<i>Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet</i>	No. 601
Celebrating Our Offerings		
Offertory	<i>Nun Bitten Wir</i>	Dietrich Buxtehude
†Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i> (OLD 100 th)	No. 95
†Closing Hymn	<i>O Word of God Incarnate</i>	No. 598
†Benediction		Pastor Fran Cooper
†Benediction Response	<i>Go Forth Into the World</i>	Gordon Young
†Postlude	<i>Voluntary in A Major</i>	William Selby

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Assisting in Worship

This Sunday
March 19, 2023

Kathy Wetzol

Kacy Hucks

Sara Morris

Jeff Paiste

Lucas Seymour

Bill Huber

Dave Lannetti

Brian Casey

Julie Etheridge

Gary Chiaverotti

Dave Lannetti

Jeff Nilsson

Susan Pollard

Laura Calvert

Chris Calvert

Next Sunday
March 26, 2023

Beth Vinson

Cathy Coleman

Suzanne Koehler

Lucas Seymour

Jeff Paiste

Robert King

Brian Casey

Watt Jones

Jeff Paiste

Kami Lannetti

Jeff Nilsson

Jonathan Clark

Brian Casey

Gary Chiaverotti

Worship Leaders
Children's Worship
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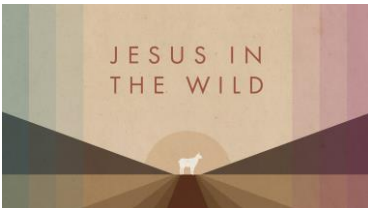
Monday Counters

Bus Driver

Ushers

Our Mission is to »»

- .. Help seekers to begin in faith.
- .. Help believers to grow in faith.
- .. Help the community to thrive in faith.



Worship Series for Lent -- Jesus in the Wild

There is, perhaps, no more unusual story in the Gospels than the story of Jesus in the wilderness (Luke 4:1-14). The story of Jesus in the wild is another name for those untamed places where we confront temptation and evil along our own

journeys. Our focus for these six sermons will have implications for understanding our own calling in the world, and what it means to start with who and whose we are before we talk about what we do. Each sermon will focus on one lesson we can learn from the story of Jesus in the desert and has the goal of moving the disciple toward hope: hope that recognizes that Jesus understands what it means to be in a place of vulnerability, coming out of his wilderness season "in the power of the Spirit" (Luke 4:14).

THIS WEEK AT LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, March 19, 2023

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
4:00 p.m.	Kurt Lannetti - Senior Recital
4:30 p.m.	Education Committee
5:30 p.m.	Lenten Study and Supper
5:30 p.m.	Beacon Youth Group – movie after Lenten Supper

Monday, March 20, 2023

7:00 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study at the Wetzel’s house
7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
7:00 p.m.	Trustees Committee

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

7:00 p.m.	Legacy Endowment Group
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Wednesday, March 22, 2023

10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
6:00 p.m.	8:35LIVE Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Prayer Group
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 23, 2023

9:30 a.m.	M is for Mama Book Study
10:00 a.m.	Larchmont Kids Playdate – Meadowbrook Park

Sunday, March 26, 2023

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
11:30 a.m.	Snacks with the Pastor
5:30 p.m.	Lenten Study and Supper
6:30 p.m.	Beacon Youth Group

LARCHMONT UMC NOTICES!

March 19, 2023

Hospital Prayer List

Please notify the church office if you know of someone in the hospital.
Bob Stevenson – Sentara Norfolk General Hospital

Please join us!

Kurt Lannetti, a senior vocal performance major at James Madison University, will present selections from his Senior Recital in the LUMC sanctuary TONIGHT at 4:00 pm. Kurt invites his church family and friends to join him for this performance. Kurt is incredibly grateful for all of the support LUMC has provided him over the years, especially from Gene Mazurek, one of his opera mentors, and Mike Regan, his first choir director and frequent piano accompanist.

Larchmont Kids Play Date:

March 23rd Playdate at Meadowbrook Park next to Fire Station 12 from 10-12pm. Please contact Kacy Hucks at education@larchmontumc.org for more information.

Snacks With the Pastor - Sunday, March 26 at 11:30 am

Pastor Fran is inviting folks interested in becoming more involved and/or joining our community to an information and sharing session in the Fellowship Hall. Please let her know if you would like to attend by emailing her at pastor@larchmontumc.org.

We wish to thank all of you who have given to the UMCOR – Turkey/Syria Earthquake Special Offering.

We have received to date, \$1975.00. As you know, Turkey & Syria have suffered greatly from multiple major earthquakes during extreme winter weather and are greatly in need of help for the many left displaced. Larchmont UMC will continue to collect donations thru March 26, 2023. If you wish to still donate, please be sure to mark your check and offering envelope with UMCOR EARTHQUAKE. Or if you give online, please be sure to scroll down and specify your gift for Missions Projects and type the note, ‘UMCOR Earthquake’.



Earthquake Offering

Easter Candy Donations

Easter Egg candy and small toy (small enough to fit into eggs) donations would be appreciated for the LUMC Easter Egg Hunt. Please take one of the paper eggs from the black poster boards located in the Narthex or the Monroe Place entrance and drop your donation in the container below it or give it to Kacy Hucks by Sunday, March 26th.

Church-Wide Lenten Study, All Ages

Sundays, March 19, and 26

These Sunday evenings, we gather as a church community for dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

At 6 p.m., adults, youth, and children will break off into their respective groups to study the themes in Dan Wilt's book, *Jesus in the Wild*, which coordinates with our weekly Sunday worship topics.

Use this QR code to give online using your phone.



Women's Fellowship April 2nd at 11:30 am

Lunch and speaker, Kami Lannetti
\$5 for lunch. RSVP by March 30th

Join us for Sunday School!

Children ages 2-4 meet downstairs in the preschool wing (E103)

Children K-5th grade meet upstairs in the Great Room (E201)

Coffee Talk - meets downstairs in the Parlor

Upper Room - meets upstairs in room A201

Clarification about the February 18th Special Session of Annual Conference

Based on church family member questions about my February 21st update on church disaffiliations, I'd like to clarify; Larchmont United Methodist Church has not been, nor is it one of the churches requesting disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church. I will continue to inform you about, and appreciate any questions or feedback you may have, concerning Virginia Conference Issues. Your Lay Representative to Annual Conference, Gary Chiaverotti (chiaverotti@aol.com).

Beacon Youth ~ 5:30 pm Lenten Supper - 6:00 pm movie

Tonight, we'll be doing a movie and popcorn after then Lenten supper. Please bring blankets/pillow or sleeping bag to sit on.

Palm Cross Party

Please join us in making palm crosses on Saturday, April 1st at 12:00 pm following the Easter Egg Hunt. Snacks will be provided.

CLOTHING DRIVE

Supporting
Children's Hospital
of the King's
Daughters:
Children's Pavillion
Mental Health
Program

New or gently used clothes, socks, and soft soled shoes.
Ages 6+ sizes, long-sleeved shirts, sweatshirts (without hoods), leggings, sweatpants (without waist strings), fuzzy socks & shoes: slides & crocs style are areas of greatest needs.

Donation bin located outside the LUMC's Children's Director's office or please email Kacy Hucks at education@larchmontumc.org for other arrangements or information.