



LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

September 3, 2023 10:30 am

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

†Please stand as you are able

Prelude *Sing to the Lord* Lani Smith

Announcements and Greetings

†Passing the Peace

†Bringing in the Light of Christ Charlotte Levow (Acolyte), Haddy Hucks (Crucifer)

†Hymn *For the Healing of the Nations* No. 428

†Introit *O Be Joyful* John Yarrington

†Call To Worship (from Psalm 1:1-3) Jonathan Clark, Worship Leader

Leader: Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers.

People: But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night.

Leader: They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season

People: Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.

Opening Prayer – *Saint Augustine, 354-430*

Look upon us, O Lord, and let all the darkness of our souls vanish before the beams of your brightness. Fill us with holy love, and open to us the treasures of your wisdom. All our desire is known unto you; therefore perfect what you have begun, and what your Spirit has awakened us to ask in prayer. We seek your face, turn your face unto us and show us your glory. Then shall our longing be satisfied, and our peace shall be perfect.

Amen.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Saucier

Scripture Lesson	Genesis 4:1-16 (NRSV-UE)	Worship Leader
Leader: The Word of the Lord	People: Thanks be to God	
Anthem	<i>Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy)</i>	Keith Getty and Stuart Townend
Children's Message		Cathy Coleman
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	"Cain and Abel" (#3 - Cain) WORSHIP SERIES: Top 10 Sinners of the Bible	Rev. Dr. Megan Saucier
Invitation to Communion		UMH p. 12
Prayer of Confession		UMH p. 12
Time for Silent Confession		
Words of Absolution		UMH p. 12
Celebrating Our Offerings		
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory Solo	<i>Panis Angelicus</i> Ron Braswell, Tenor	Cesar Franck
†Doxology	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	No. 94
†Communion Hymn	<i>O Come and Dwell in Me</i> (Elements are brought forward during this hymn)	No. 388
The Great Thanksgiving	Musical Setting A	pp. 17-18
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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Receiving the Bread and the Cup

The ushers will invite you to move forward to receive the elements at the altar railing.

THIS WEEK AT LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, September 3, 2023

9:15 a.m. Heavenly Grounds
9:30 a.m. Nursery
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes
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

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Monday, September 4, 2023 - Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m. 8:35LIVE Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Larchmont Ringers
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Prayer Group
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Saturday, September 9, 2023

8:30 a.m. Grounds Work Day
6:35 p.m. Night at the Ball Park

Sunday, September 10, 2023

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11:30 a.m. Women's Fellowship

5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

6:30 p.m. Beacon Youth

LARCHMONT UMC NOTICES!

September 3, 2023

Food Locker

Next Sunday is second Sunday where we bring canned or packaged food for our Food Locker. You may not be aware that we also need financial contributions to maintain our Food Locker. We maintain an account at the Foodbank so that we can order cases of food when needed. The cost of that food is charged against our account so we need to replenish periodically our account. So if you don't like to grocery shop or lug a heavy bag of canned goods, please consider writing a check to LUMC, with "Food Locker" notated on the memo line. Your contribution will be put to good use buying food from the Foodbank or a grocery store when needed. Thank you for your support.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study "Experiencing God" starting this Wednesday

Over the years, God has used the truths of "Experiencing God" to awaken believers to a radically God-centered way of life. As a result, millions have come to know God intimately, to recognize His voice, and to understand His will for their lives. Carefully listening to His voice will anchor you in His plan and set you free to live it with boldness and freedom. Then you will experience God doing through you what only He can do.

Tides Baseball Night

The Anchor Men are sponsoring a churchwide night out at the Norfolk Tides baseball game on Saturday, September 9th. The game starts at 6:35pm. We'll be taking the church bus which will leave the church around 5:30pm or you can meet us there. Please contact Jonathan Clark, clarkjon1058@gmail.com, by Tuesday, September 5th to reserve a ticket and a spot on the bus. Tickets cost \$16.

Women's Bible Study

Beginning Monday, September 11, at 7:00 pm, we will study The Fruit of the Spirit, a 9-week discussion of the Holy Spirit. Call Kathy 757-937-1029 (home); 412-400-8438 (cell) if you are interested.

Use this QR code to give online using your phone.



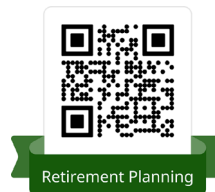
Our Handbell Choir is now recruiting new members to join our returning ringers. All are welcome to join. Whether you're a singer or not, playing the bells is a great way to worship God and have a lot of fun with other musicians. We rehearse Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in the Choir room, starting September 6th. Ring, Ring, Ring the bells, and watch your stress level reduce and praise increase!

Save the Date! A grounds work day has been scheduled for Saturday, September 9, at 8:30 am. We plan to weed, prune and do general clean-up before Funday Sunday on the 17th. Please bring whatever gardening tools that you need. Lawn bags will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Pris Peake at 757-489-7833 or prispeake@cox.net. Rain date is Sunday, September 10, at 1 pm.



**What is your retirement vision?
When will you retire?
What are your planned activities?
What will your retirement world be like?
Will you have the financial means
to make your retirement vision a reality?**

To find out ways to make your vision and financial means to reach it match, come join us on **Tuesday, September 12, 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall**. Patrick Moore, of MMC Benefits LLC, will walk us through the process of planning for your retirement and explain the multiple and varied tools you have at your disposal to reach a financially sound retirement. RSVP using the QR code.



Third Grade Bibles

Parents/Guardians, if you have a rising 3rd grader this year, we'd love to gift them with their own personalized Bible at our September 17th 10:30 am service. If you could please reach out to Kacy Hucks personally or via email at education@larchmontumc.org to inform her of your rising 3rd grader.

Save the date! - Women's Fellowship Luncheon - September 10th at 11:30 am

Pumpkins Are Coming!

On Sunday September 24th a truck filled with PUMPKINS and SPECIALTY GOURDS will arrive. EVERYONE IS INVITED to kick off the event by unloading the truck--bring friends and neighbors, invite community service groups, military personnel, high school students, college students, and clubs. The patch will be open the last week of September and all of October. Sign up to work the booth.



DID YOU KNOW some of our Annual Conference Apportionments (also known as connectional support) help fund our Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry. It supports and works to improve seven Wesley Foundation Campus Ministries? They are the:

- ✂ Wesley-Westminster Foundation at Norfolk State University,
- ✂ Wesley Foundation at Old Dominion University,
- ✂ Wesley Foundation at UVA,
- ✂ Wesley Foundation at Virginia Commonwealth University | PACE,
- ✂ The Wesley Foundation at Virginia State (FLOW),
- ✂ Wesley Foundation at Virginia Tech, and
- ✂ Wesley Foundation at William & Mary.

In addition, the Board supports two ecumenical Campus Ministries, ARISE at George Mason University, Campus Christian Community at the University of Mary Washington, and Community College Ministries of Southwest Virginia.

Contact Gary Chiaverotti, your lay representative, with any questions.



Don't forget to sign up for a dinner group!

Dinner Groups

Music During Communion

Abide With Me

William H. Monk

(Eventide)

*Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.*

Pange Lingua

Charles Callahan

(Of the Glorious Body Telling)

Prayer Following Communion

†Closing Hymn	<i>I Know Whom I Have Believed</i>	No. 714
†Benediction		
†Benediction Response	<i>Blessed be the Name</i>	No. 63
†Postlude	<i>The Power and the Glory</i>	Roy Norte

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Assisting in Worship

	This Sunday September 3, 2023	Next Sunday September 10, 2023
Worship Leaders	Jonathan Clark	Monica Levow
Children's Worship	Cathy Coleman	Kacy Hucks
Media Tech	Suzanne Koehler	Cathy Hickman
Sound Tech	Ron Pionk	Ron Pionk
Camera Tech	Les Thorpe	Jeff Paiste
Sunday Counters	Pris Peake	Brian Casey
	Sandra Clark	Dave Lannetti
Monday Counters	** Tuesday, September 5 th **	Julie Etheridge
	Demi Wheeler	GM Ziller
	Watt Jones	
Bus Driver	James Chen	Jonathan Clark
Ushers	Jonathan Clark	Susan Pollard
	Laura Calvert	Brian Casey
	Chris Calvert	Doug Nashold
	Susan Pollard	Liz Paiste

Our Mission is to »»

- Help seekers to begin in faith.
 - Help believers to grow in faith.
 - Help the community to thrive in faith.
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Current Worship Series - TOP 10 SINNERS OF THE BIBLE

Heroes are easy to admire in the Bible. They're the ones God wants us to be like. Sure, they have problems here and there, but they always get right with God eventually. Many of them dealt with the struggle of sin and defeat but God redeemed them, as God does us. The Bible also has some people that started good and went bad. And then, there are those who just seemed to stay bad. There is plenty to learn from all of these people - what to stay away from, what God can do with us flawed individuals, and how we relate to spiritual defeat ourselves. To this end, you've given us your "Top Ten Biggest Sinners in the Bible" and we're going to dig into their stories this summer. Let's extract some good lessons from the bad and redeemed examples.
