

### LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

### **September 17, 2023**

## Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

†Please stand as you are able

Prelude How Deep the Father's Love Stuart Townsend
Arr. by Mark Hayes
Announcements and Greetings Pastor Fran Cooper

†Passing the Peace

†Procession of Light and Cross

Owen Guirlinger, Acolyte; Haddy Hucks, Crucifer

†Hymn Anthem The Church Victorious/The Church's One Foundation

John Carter

Vs. 1 - Congregation

Vs. 2 - Choir only

Vs. 4 - line 1 and 2, men; line 3 and 4 women

*Vs.* 5 – *Congregation, slowly* 

†Call To Worship (based on Psalm 103: 1-5)

Led by Owen Guirlinger

Leader: Come, let us praise the eternal God!

People: Let all that is within us - body, emotions, mind, and will - praise God's

holy name!

Leader: Despite our failures, God forgives and releases us.

People: More than any doctor, God heals our diseases.

Leader: When we are famished and weak, God fills us with good and beautiful

things.

People: God satisfies our needs and restores our strength.

Leader: So, come, praise the eternal God!

People: Sing songs with grateful hearts and remember all that God has done for

us.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Led by Blake Cushman

Sung Response Change My Heart, O God No. 2152 (TFWS)

Children's Message Gifting of 3rd Grade Bibles Kacy Hucks

Catherine Hopkins, Brooks Huffine, Mikey Levow, Dorian McFarland, Miles Moynihan, Ari Polizos

Scripture Lesson II Samuel 11:1-4; Romans 8:27 Haddy Hucks

Leader: The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God** 

Anthem Once to Every Man and Nation David Stanley York

Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide, In the strife of truth with falsehood for the good or evil side.

By the light of burning martyrs Jesus' bleeding feet I track, Toiling up new calvaries ever with the cross that turns not back.

Though the cause of evil prosper, yet this truth alone is strong. Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne.

Yet the scaffold sways the future and behind the dim unknown, Standeth God within the shadow, keeping watch above his own. Amen. Amen.

LUMC Breakthrough Prayer

Led by Adalyn Jones

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

Message "Heart Condition" (David) Rev. Fran Cooper

WORSHIP SERIES: Top 10 Sinners of the Bible

Response Song Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior No. 351

Celebration of Confirmation

Blake Cushman, Payton Gates, Owen Guirlinger, Haddy Hucks, Adalyn Jones

Congregational Response

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Reception of New Members

Blake Cushman, Payton Gates, Owen Guirlinger, Haddy Hucks, Adalyn Jones, Henry Cobb, Amy Cushman

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Celebrating Our Offerings

Offertory Prayer

Led by Payton Gates

Abundant God, sustain in us a willing spirit, to serve your purpose in the world. Inspire us to share peace where there is discontent; to bring healing in the place of hurt; to shine your love into the overlooked corners of our world. Remind us of the joy of reaching to be closer to you, even as you already draw us near. Amen.

Offertory Anthem

Qui Sedes Ad Dextraum Patris

J.S. Bach

(From Mass in B Minor) Lisa Hogan, mezzo-soprano; Sherie Aguirre, oboe

Qui sedes ad dextram Patris, miserere nobis.

You who sit at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us.

†Doxology

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

No. 94

†Closing Song

More Like You

Reed Deming

Led by the Brickhouse Band

†Blessing of Meal and Benediction

†Postlude

To God Be the Glory

William Doane

### THIS WEEK AT LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, September 17, 2023	FUNDAY SUNDAY!	
9:15 a.m.	Heavenly Grounds	
9:30 a.m.	Nursery	
8:35 a.m.	Worship Service	
9:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School Classes	
10:30 a.m.	Combined Worship Service	
11:30 a.m.	Funday Sunday Community Celebration	
Monday, September 18, 2023		
7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee	
7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study- Fruit of the Spirit	
Tuesday, September 19, 2023		
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	
Wednesday, September 20, 2023		
10:00 a.m.	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	
2:00 p.m.	Concordia Nursing Home Fall Festival	
5:30 p.m.	Larchmont Ringers - Handbell Choir	
6:00 p.m.	8:35LIVE Rehearsal	
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Prayer Group	
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	
Sunday, September 24, 2023 P	UMPKIN SUNDAY!	
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	

# 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

# **LARCHMONT UMC NOTICES!**

# **September 17, 2023**

Today we welcome 5 new Confirmation students into the faith and church membership. Congratulations to Blake Cushman, Payton Gates, Owen Guirlinger, Haddy Hucks, and Adalyn Jones.



### **Pumpkins Are Coming!**

On Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup> 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 staff the booth.



Many thanks to the volunteers who turned out for grounds workday on Saturday, 9/9.

They weeded, raked and pruned to make the outside of our church look welcoming. The volunteers were:

Laura Calvert, Jonathan and Sandra Clark, Mike Crockett, Travis Hansen, Eric and Stanley Malinowski, Doug Nashold, Jeff Paiste, Pris Peake, Pei Williams, and Joe Young.

### Red Cross Blood Drive Oct. 4th

Update for 2023: We are in need of 30 units of blood to close out our 2023 collection. If you are able to give an hour of your time at our Oct. 4 drive, we would appreciate it! Visit the signup booth at Sunday Funday and make an appointment.

DID YOU KNOW our Virginia Conference supports "Embrace – A Center for Community?" The Embrace campus, located in Waynesboro, VA, is described as "God's House..." a holy resource dedicated to the equipping of God's people and revelation of God's Kingdom on earth." During 2022, the Embrace Community was able to multiply approximately \$45,000 in giving to more than \$450.000 in positive community impact. A few (of many) examples:

- 30 persons assisted with Driver's License applications.
- 60 persons provided with free legal services for non-immigration cases.
- 85 persons provided free legal representation in immigration cases.
- 226 free medical clinic visits 1,750 books distributed.
- 2,000 gallons of water saved through rain-capture.
- 2,500+ hours of volunteer labor contributed.

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

Use this QR code to give online using your phone.



# Concordia Nursing Home Fall Festival

Sept. 20th, 2pm

Come join the fun!

Email Claudia at wadecjl@verizon.net for info



# **Nursery Help Wanted**

Anyone interested in working the nursery (0-2yo) this fall? It's a paid \$15/hr position and pretty consistent (every to every other Sunday). Please contact Kacy Hucks at <a href="mailto:education@larchmontumc.org">education@larchmontumc.org</a> for more details.

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# **Assisting in Worship**

	This Sunday	Next Sunday
	September 17, 2023	September 24, 2023
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Confirmation Students	Amy Cushman
Children's Worship	Kacy Hucks	Traci Shepard
Media Tech	Sara Morris	Suzanne Koehler
	Bill Huber	
Sound Tech	Jeff Paiste	Bill Huber
Camera Tech	Ron Pionk	Ron Pionk
<b>Sunday Counters</b>	Fred Dobbs	Robert King
	Ed Lilly	Brian Casey
<b>Monday Counters</b>	Robert King	Gary Chiaverotti
	Chris Burge	Jeff Paiste
Bus Driver	Dave Lannetti	John Fitzwilliam
Ushers	Blake Cushman	Susan Pollard
	Owen Guirlinger	Traci Shepard
	Haddy Hucks	Doug Nashold
	Adalyn Jones	Rob Baxter

### Our Mission is to »»

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

# **Upcoming Worship Series: Traveling Light**

Do you ever feel weighed down by expectations, guilt, and responsibility? In his letter to the Church at Galatia, Paul reminds believers us that life in Jesus is lifted of burden and a call to lightness in grace.

Through this study, we will embrace change, exploration, trust, and love in Christ.