

LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Vision of Larchmont Church is to be a vibrant, engaging, and inclusive church that follows Jesus Christ. **July 27, 2025**

†Please stand as you are able

Prelude

How Can I Keep From Singing?

Robert Lowry

arr. Jacob Hershberger

Announcements and Greetings

†Passing the Peace

†Bringing in the Light of Christ

†Opening Hymn

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

No. 462

†Call To Worship

Kami Lannetti, Worship Leader

Leader: Praise the Lord with all that you have!

People: Praise and trust in the Lord with all your heart and soul!

Leader: For God is with us throughout all our lives.

People: God's loving presence surrounds us and comforts us in times of

trouble.

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord at all times, in all places.

People: For God with steadfast and loving to us all. AMEN.

Prayer for the Day

Lord God, you are perfectly faithful in everything you do. You show your faithfulness to us through your care, protection, and provision. Forgive us for the times we question you; when we grumble about our circumstances, or when we turn our backs on you. Strengthen our faith when we feel unsure and our confidence is shaky. Show us one small way this day that we may trust in you; that our witness will have such certainty that others around us will put their faith and trust in you. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Solo I Can Only Imagine Bart Millard

Dai Poole, tenor; Sarah Umlauf, violin; Will Pearson, piano Richard Freeman and Scott Guirlinger, guitar

Children's Message

Let's Trust in Jesus

Pastor Fran

Scripture Lesson

3 John 1-4

Worship Leader

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

Sermon "A Good Walking Stick"

Pastor Fran Cooper

†Response Hymn

The Way (New Horizon)

Pat Barrett

Led by the Brickhouse Band

Through every battle, through every heartbreak Through every circumstance, I believe That You are my fortress; Oh, You are my portion And You are my hiding place, oh

I believe You are the way, the truth, the life I believe You are the way, the truth, the life

I believe, through every blessing, through every promise

Through every breath I take, I believe That You are Provider; Oh, You are Protector And You are the One I love, oh

And I believe You are the way, the truth, the life I believe You are the way, the truth, the life I believe You are; Oh, You are; Oh, You are

And it's a new horizon and I'm set on You And You meet me here today with mercies that are new All my fears and doubts, they can all come too Because they can't stay long when I'm here with

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Red Cross Blood Drive

LUMC is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on August 6th from 1 to 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Questions or to sign up contact Traci Shepard: andrew.shepard1@cox.net

SUMMER MUSIC ON THE GREENSPACE

Break out those picnic baskets, Larchmont is rolling out our Summer Music on the Greenspace!
Join us for live music on July 27 and August 24 (4th Sunday of each month) from 6-8 pm.



This month, we are

welcoming The Brickhouse Band, a local folk and bluegrass band! Have you ever seen a real washtub bass? Now's your chance.

There will be free popsicles and great friends - FREE and open to the whole community! Come join us for summer fun!



August Anchor Breakfast

The Anchor Men will meet for breakfast at Baker's Crust off of 21st St on Saturday, August 9th at 9am. Please contact Jonathan Clark, clarkjon1058@gmail.com, by Thursday, August 7th, if you plan to attend so that we have an accurate count.

Beacon Youth Pool Party

Calling all youth to join us for a pool party at Adalyn Jones' house in Norfolk near East Beach on Sunday, August 3rd starting at 5pm.

Address: 9629 8th Bay Street Norfolk, VA 23518

Families invited will have dinner too. Join us!

For more information, email Pastor Fran at youth@larchmontumc.org.

<u>Larchmont United Methodist Church</u> Financial Education Session -

Legal Documents everyone should have.

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Everyone should have **at a minimum**, three documents: **a Will and two types of Advance Directives**, a Power of Attorney for Health Care and a "Living Will."

Your Will covers distribution of property and wealth at death. Advance Directives let other people know the types of medical care you do and do not want in the event you are unable to express your wishes on your own. Want to know more about these important documents? We'll be hosting a Wills & Trusts Seminar covering these topics Tuesday August 12th. Then, during August, we can link you to an attorney who will help you draft and execute a Will and Advanced Directives. Details to follow.

For more information, contact, our Legacy Giving Committee Chair, Gary Chiaverotti via our church office (757-489-8168). **You can sign up now** using this QR Code to the right.

Larchmont United Methodist Church is located at 1101 Jamestown Crescent, Norfolk. Enter via the Monroe Place Entrance and go up the steps.

All our Financial Education Series Sessions provide information only, are free, and open to the public.



Our partner in schools needs help!

Our partner in schools, James Monroe Elementary School is on Norfolk's list of closing schools. Monroe ES is located in the Park Place neighborhood and as a residential neighborhood school, it is a big part of the community. The plan at this time is to send all the children surrounding the school to various other elementary schools and move Ghent ES into their building. Your opinion can be voiced to:



Ms. Tanya Bhasin, Ward 2 School Board member. tbhasin@npsK12.com

Ms. Sarah DiCalogero, School Board Chair. sarah.dicalgero@npsK12.va.us

Ms. Alfreda Thomas, School Board Vice Chair. alfreda.thomas@npsK12.va.us

The City Council for Ward 2 is Courtney Dole.

Let us join together and advocate for our partner in schools!

THIS WEEK AT LARCHMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, July 27, 2025

9:15 a.m. Heavenly Grounds
9:30 a.m. Nursery
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
11:30 p.m. Farewell Reception

6:00 p.m. Music on the Lawn/Beacon Youth

Tuesday, July 29, 2025

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 30, 2025

6:00 p.m. 835LIVE Band Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Prayer Group

Sunday, August 3, 2025

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. Beacon Youth Pool Party



Use this QR code to give online using your phone

July 27 Thank You Reception

Our Administrative Assistant, Becky Crockett, who has served in this position for 13 years, will be retiring the end of July. We are having a reception in her honor to show our gratitude following worship today following service at 11:30. We hope you can attend to help thank you for her tremendous service to our church in this position.

LARCHMONT UMC NOTICES! July 27, 2025

Support Texas After Flooding

Many will want to donate to United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to assist our Texan neighbors following the recent catastrophic flooding. Monetary donations are needed. You can donate by check written to Larchmont UMC (with Texas Flooding on the memo line). Please continue to pray for those who have lost loved ones and for all who have been impacted by this devastating disaster.

School Supplies Drive

We are collecting School Supplies for our neighbors in extra need as school begins. You can bring these items to church through August 3rd and we will get them to the folks who need them most. Thank you! Here's a list of items we are collecting:

Crayons

#2 Pencils

Markers

Glue Sticks

Color Pencils

Composition notebooks Spiral Bound Notebooks

Erasers

Pencil Sharpeners

Rulers

LAUNCH Ministries Back to School Event Saturday, August 23 Mason Memorial Church (744 Goff Street)

LUMC is assisting again with the Back-to-School Event led by our Norfolk community LAUNCH ministries. We need about 15 people from our church to arrive at 9 am to help set up tables, chairs, and tents for the day-of and serve in the first half of the event (through 11:30 am) to hand out items. We are expecting 500 people to attend this event, which is focused on crucial needs for the Huntersville/Park Place area students. We did this last year, and you all were AMAZING. Please sign up to help using this QR code. Please also let Pastor Fran know you will be there to assist by emailing her at

francooper@vaumc.org.

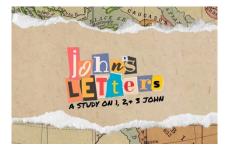


Celebrating Our Offerings

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.

| Offertory | Improvisation on 'Blest Are They' | Will Pearson |
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| †Doxology | Praise God from Whom All Blessings | No. 94 |
| | Flow | |
| | LASST UNS ERFREUEN | |
| †Hymn | Here I am, Lord | No. 593 |
| †Postlude | Here I am, Lord | Dan Schutte |
| | | arr. Annette Butters |



Current Worship Series – John's Letters (A Study on 1, 2 & 3 John)

Who is God? What is love? People have asked these questions for thousands of years, and they were asking them in John's day too. Christians like John believed the answers were found in Jesus, but some so-called believers were leading

people astray, questioning Jesus' very identity. John wrote these letters to the churches he loved in order to keep them straight. With conviction, confidence, and clarity, John presents a compelling picture of Jesus—so we see clearly who God is and what love is.

Assisting in Worship

| | This Sunday | Next Sunday |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | July 27, 2025 | August 3, 2025 |
| Worship Leader | Kami Lannetti | Dave Loughery |
| Children's Worship | Pastor Fran | Cathy Hickman |
| Media Tech | Wina Giddens | Wina Giddens |
| | Lucas Seymour | |
| Sound Tech | Bill Huber | Jeff Paiste |
| Camera Tech | Clarise Hicks | Clarise Hicks |
| Sunday Counters | Brian Casey | Jonathan Clark |
| | Fred Dobbs | Robert King |
| Monday Counters | Chris Burge | Julie Ethridge |
| | Watt Jones | Robert King |
| Bus Driver | Jonathan Clark | John Fitzwilliam |
| Ushers | Jonathan Clark | Monica Levow |
| | Dave Lannetti | Laura Calvert |
| | Gary Chiaverotti | Chris Calvert |
| | Brian Casey | Liz Paiste |

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