

# *Lyall* COMMUNITY CHURCH

**May 12, 2024**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**



*Lyall Memorial Federated Church*

*Millbrook, N.Y.*

*The flowers in the chancel this morning  
are given by Lee Ellen Lomangino  
and Charles Frisina  
in loving memory of  
Nicholas Frisina and Charles Frisina, Jr.*

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The Reverend Thomas W. Fiet, Pastor  
Mr. Dan Koch, Minister of Music  
**Our Approach to a Good God**

*We invite the congregation to a time of meditation and readiness during the gathering music.*

Prelude: *Larghetto* by Jos. Hanisch

Choral Introit

Welcome Father Frank Alagna, who will be our guest preacher this morning

Hymn: #23 *The God of Abraham Praise*

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 1)

Leader: Blessed is the one who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**People: but their delight is in the way of the Lord, and on his way they meditate day and night. They are like a tree planted by streams of water that yield its fruit in its season.**

Assurance of Pardon and Restoration (Inspired by Revelation 212)

Leader: I heard a loud cry from the throne of heaven...

**People: Behold, the dwelling of God is with all humanity. God will dwell with them all, and they shall be God's people, and God himself will be with them.**

Leader: God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.

**People: And death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away.**

Passing the Peace of Christ to every and all!

*\*Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!*

Anthem: *Down to the River to Pray* arr. by Sheldon Curry

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

You call them brothers and sisters, Lord. All of them made in your image. All treasured. All loved. But too often we do not see them as you do. We see aliens. We see competitors. We see enemies, even dogs. What we don't see is our own fears. But you see that too. Our fears. Amen

Choral Response: (please join in)(repeat 4x)

Christ Jesus, in your holy resurrection, Heaven and Earth are rejoicing.

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Spirit of the Law: (Inspired by 1 John)

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and those who love are born of God and know God.

**People: There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear.**

Chant: (4x)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Prayers of the People

Hymn: #508 *Love Lifted Me*

### **News from a Good God**

Scripture: Gospel of John 17.6-23

Sermon: I Was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me

### **The Community Responds**

Offering/Offertory: *Maestoso* by Fr. Walczynski

\*Doxology: *Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Hymn #788 *Now Thank We All Our God*

\*Benediction/ (Three Fold Amen)

Postlude: *Andante cantabile* by Ch. H. Rinck

Announcements

*We bless each of you on this day, and send you forth to be blessings in your world.*

<b>Worship Participants</b>	
Gathering Music	Dan Koch
Lector	Jim Demus
Greeter/Usher	
Guest Preacher	Father Frank Alagna

**Welcome Visitors to Lyall Community Church**

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I would like to be on email \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in membership \_\_\_\_\_

I would like an appointment to meet \_\_\_\_\_