

**November 5, 2017**

Led by the Holy Spirit, LaGrave's members seek to worship and serve God in all of life, transforming His world and being transformed to reflect the character of Christ.

Welcome to worship at LaGrave. Because our worship proceeds without announcements, please carefully follow the order of worship printed below, noting that we use *two* red hymnals. The *Worship & Rejoice* hymnal will be indicated by bold, italic type. An asterisk (\*) denotes standing for those who are able. We are glad that you are here. Let us worship God together.

### MORNING WORSHIP 8:40 & 11:00 AM

*Please prepare your heart and mind for worship with a time of prayer and meditation.*

### *God Calls Us to Worship*

The Prelude: "Alleluia, for Christ the Lord Is Risen"

J. S. Bach, arr. S. Drummond Wolff

"The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"

Richard Webster

"Fantasy on *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*"

Raymond H. Haan

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen" (8:40)

*Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Jesus is risen and we shall arise: give God the glory! Alleluia!*

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"Come, Thou Almighty King" (11:00)

*Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise. Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.*

\*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 199

"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

*(The congregation is asked to rise on the last line of the hymn introduction.)*

\*The Greeting

\*The People's Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

### *We Approach God with Penitence*

The Call to Repentance: Romans 5:5-8 (pg. 1750)

The Prayer of Confession:

**Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.**

Concluded by singing:

"Comfort for My Life Is Found"



1. Com-fort for my life is found in the  
2. Fromnow on I'll live for you, read-y,



Lord who hems me round. Life does  
will - ing, blessed and new. Life e -



not be-long to me; Je-sus Christ has set me  
ter - nal is as - sured, justice done and sickness



free. By his blood my sin is  
cured. Spir - it, send your wind through



paid; in his hands my life is laid.  
me, my whole heart your sail will be.

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Music: Larry Visser  
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The Assurance of Pardon: Romans 8:9-11 (pg. 1754)

\*The Hymn of Praise: Worship & Rejoice 291:1-3

"Alleluia No. 1"

\*The Apostles' Creed: *Our Faith*, pg. 13

### *We Respond with Thanksgiving*

The Children's Message

Leader: What is our prayer for these children?

**Congregation: The Lord be with you.**

Children: And also with you.

*(Children, 4-2<sup>nd</sup> grade, may leave for Children's Worship)*

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" (8:40)

Tanzanian Melody

*Christ has arisen, alleluia! Rejoice and praise him, alleluia!  
For our Redeemer burst from the tomb, even from death,  
dispelling its gloom.*

*Refrain: Let us sing praise to him with endless joy; death's  
fearful sting he has come to destroy. Our sin forgiving,  
alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!*

*For three long days the grave did its worst until its strength  
by God was dispersed. He who gives life did death undergo,  
and in its conquest his might did show. (Refrain)*

*The angel said to them, "Do not fear. You look for Jesus, who  
is not here. See for yourselves the tomb is all bare, only the  
grave clothes are lying there." (Refrain)*

*"Go spread the news: he's not in the grave; he has arisen this  
world to save. Jesus' redeeming labors are done. Even the  
battle with sin is won." (Refrain)*

*Christ has arisen to set us free. Alleluia, to him praises  
be! Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant,  
heavenly King. (Refrain)*

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"Thine Is the Glory" (11:00)

arr. Robert J. Powell

*Refrain: Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is  
the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

*Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the  
folded grave clothes where thy body lay. (Refrain)*

*Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb; lovingly he  
greet thee, scatters fear and gloom. Let his church with  
gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord now liveth;  
death hath lost its sting. (Refrain)*

*No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is  
naught without thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more  
than conquerors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe  
through Jordan to thy home above. (Refrain)*

The Offertory: "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna"

Paul Manz

The Offering

*Today's offering is for World Renew and the LaGrave General Fund.  
Please use an envelope from the pew to designate your gift. All  
undesignated monies will go to the General Fund.  
(Please sign and pass the Welcome Register.)*

**\*The 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**

***God Speaks to Us***

The Heidelberg Catechism: Q. & A. 45

How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

**First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already raised to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection.**

The Scripture: Romans 6:1-11 (pg. 1752)

The Sermon: **“WORDS ON THE WALL: HE ROSE AGAIN FROM THE DEAD”**

***We Respond with Praise***

The Prayer after the Sermon

\*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 204

“Christ, Is Risen, Shout Hosanna”

***God Sends Us into His World***

\*The Benediction

\*The People's Response: **Amen.**

\*The Amen

\*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

\*The Postlude:

“Antiphon for Two Trumpets and Organ” Robert J. Powell

Rev. Ruth Boven – minister

Rev. Mike Hoogeboom – liturgist

Dr. Larry Visser – organist; Greg Wells, Aaron Good – trumpeters

Jason Reiffer – vocalist (8:40); Dave Becksvoort – percussionist (8:40)

Chancel Choir, Merle Mustert – director (11:00)

Marlene Padding and Renee Kuipers – Cross & Bible Bearers (8:40)

Cyndi Post and Della Landheer – Cross & Bible Bearers (11:00)

We welcome guest trumpeter **Greg Wells**, who with Aaron Good, provides the ministry of music. Greg is band instructor at Northview Public High School

**Music at LaGrave (8:40):** *Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia* is an Easter hymn from the African Lutheran tradition. Rev. Bernard Kyamanywa (b. 1938) wrote the original Swahili text while he was in seminary in Tanzania. Written in typical African style, the author envisioned the verses being told by a story-teller recounting the Easter story, while the congregation responds with a joyful refrain. The African djembe (drum) accompanying the vocalist this morning contributes to the African flavor of this joyful Easter hymn.

The flowers in the sanctuary are in memory and to honor their mother and grandmother, Wilma H. Sandstra, who died November 7, 2013. From **Rob & Anita, Richard & Sarah, and Jason Entingh.**

**The November special offering** is for World Renew. World Renew envisions a world where people experience and extend Christ's compassion and live together in hope as God's community. World Renew joins communities around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation through a threefold ministry of Community Development, Disaster Response & Rehabilitation, Peace and Justice. Our offering will be distributed between world hunger and disaster relief.

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