

July 29, 2018

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* different 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 10:00 AM

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

God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude:

“When the King Shall Come Again” Wilbur Held
“Prelude in G Major” (BWV 541) Johann Sebastian Bach
“All Glory Be to God on High” Wilbur Held

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: “The Lord Reigns” Eugene Butler
Refrain: The Lord reigns, let all rejoice! Let all the coastlands be glad, let all the earth rejoice!

Clouds and thick darkness are about him! Righteousness, justice are the foundations of his throne. Lightning lightens the world, the earth sees and trembles. Mountains melt like wax before the Lord. (Refrain)

The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the people behold his glory! Zion hears and is glad. Daughters of Judah, rejoice! Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart! (Refrain) Psalm 97

*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 582
“You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”
(The congregation is asked to rise on the last line of the hymn introduction.)

*The Greeting

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

The Welcome

We Remember God's Covenant Promises

The Covenant Promises

The Vows

The Professions of Faith: **Steven Beidler, Emma Smith, Libby Smith, Luke Uekert**

The Baptism: **Jacob Hartman**

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 730:1,2
“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

*The Confession of Faith: Our Faith 13
“The Apostles' Creed”

*The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 959
“Glory Be to the Father”

We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Anthem: “Here I Am, Lord”

Daniel L. Schutte
arr. Craig Courtney

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry, all who dwell in darkest sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them, whom shall I send? (Refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

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The Pastoral Prayer

The Offertory Anthem: “Prepare Thyself, Zion” from
Christmas Oratorio Johann Sebastian Bach
Prepare thyself, Zion, with tender affection, the purest, the fairest, this day to receive.

*Thou must meet him with a heart with love o'er flowing.
Haste, then, with ardor, the Bridegroom to welcome.*

The Offering:

*Today's offering is for the Westminster Food Pantry 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 Children's Message

(Children, 4s, K – 1st grade, may leave for Summer Program.)

The Hymn of Preparation: “In Daily Strolls through Galilee”

1. In dail - y strolls through Gal - i -
2. Lord, in my dail - y life I
3. O Lord of life, I - long to

lee, past fields and farms and birds and
pass through fields of con - crete, steel, and
see the path that you've pre - pared for

trees, Christ Je - sus saw a lar - ger world, and through his
glass, where lone - ly peo - ple spend long hours in ser - vice
me. Your ho - ly Word with - in me grow, in all my

par - a - bles un - furled, a king - dom sure to
to en - slav - ing powers whose king - dom will not
fields help me to sow your king - dom faith - ful -

be, a king - dom sure to be
last, whose king - dom will not last.
ly, your king - dom faith - ful - ly.

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Music: Larry Visser
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The Scripture: Matthew 25:1-13 (pg. 1544)

The Sermon: **“THE TEN MAIDENS”**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Respond with Praise

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 478

“Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Fugue in G Major” (BWV 541)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Rev. Peter Jonker – guest minister

Pastor Bob Grussing – liturgist

Norma deWaal Malefyt – organist

Martha J. Hart – vocalist

Kristin McKay – clarinetist

Lisa and Emily Beidler – Cross & Bible Bearers

Martha J. (Vander Linde) Hart is originally from Holland, MI, and is a graduate of Holland Christian High School. She has performed extensively, including several times as soloist with Calvin’s Oratorio Society, and currently serves as Head of the Voice Department at Webster University in St. Louis, MO. Her sister, clarinetist Kristin McKay, joins her this morning. Thank you, Martha and Kristin, for your music ministry at LaGrave.

The flowers on the chancel are in cherished memory of my husband, **Dr. Seymour VanDyken**, on the 5th anniversary of his death. **Barbara VanDyken**

The July special offering is for Westminster Food Pantry. The **Downtown Food Pantry**, a core mission of Westminster Presbyterian Church, provides an emergency supply of food and personal care items to people in need while also promoting self-sufficiency through referrals and education.

This evening, Rev. Peter Jonker will lead a service based on Biblical Nicknames.

Ordinary Time – the Season after Pentecost

Ordinary time is the longest time of the liturgical year. The colors used for Ordinary Time are green and blue. The green symbolizes growth. The blue symbolizes the color of water which is necessary for growth. It is a time for growth in our spiritual lives and in our service to the mission of the church.

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