

## September 23, 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.

### EVENING WORSHIP 6:00 PM

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

#### The Prelude:

"If You But Trust in God to Guide You" David Cherwien,  
Kevin Hildebrand, Paul Manz

#### The Chiming of the Hour

#### The Introit:

"Be Thou Still" Johann W. Franck  
*Be thou still, and learn of God. He will guide thy daily living, when in faith ye turn to him. Therefore daily thanks be giving. He will all thy hopes fulfill. Be thou still. In this quiet learn of his will. Be thou still.*

#### \*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 432:1-3,5

"God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength"  
*(The congregation is asked to rise on the last line of the hymn introduction.)*

#### \*The Greeting

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

#### The Welcome

#### The Reading: Matthew 6:25-34

#### The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 407

"If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

#### \*The Confession of Faith:

What does the fourth petition mean?

**"Give us this day our daily bread" means:**

**Do take care of all our physical needs so that we come to know that you are the only source of everything good, and that neither our work and worry nor your gifts can do us any good without your blessing. And so help us to give up our trust in creatures and trust in you alone.**

What does your conclusion to this prayer mean?

**"For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours forever" means:**

**We have made all these petitions of you because, as our all-powerful king, you are both willing and able to give us all that is good; and because your holy name, and not we ourselves, should receive all the praise, forever.**

Heidelberg Catechism Q. & A. 125 & 128

#### \*The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 443

"My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

#### The Pastoral Prayer

*Sermon Notes are also prayer request cards that can be dropped into the box at the Welcome Center.*

#### The Anthem:

"O Rest in the Lord" from *Elijah* Felix Mendelssohn  
*O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for him, and he shall give thee thy heart's desires. Commit thy way unto him, and trust in him and fret not thyself because of evildoers.* Psalm 37:1, 7

#### The Offertory: "Come Away from Rush and Hurry"

Charles Callahan, David Cherwien

#### The Offering

*Today's Offering is for the LaGrave General Fund and for the Pregnancy Resource Center. 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 Prayer for Illumination

#### The Scripture: Philippians 4:4-7 (pg. 1827)

#### The Sermon: **"GOD'S ANTIDOTE TO OUR WORRY"**

#### The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

#### \*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 334

"May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

#### \*The Benediction

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

#### \*The Organ Amen

#### \*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

#### \*The Postlude:

"O Worship the King"

Paul Laubengayer

Rev. Kathy Smith – guest minister

Sara Good – organist

Renee VandeWege – vocalist

This evening we welcome **Reverend Kathy Smith** to our pulpit. **Reverend Smith** is the Professor of Church Polity at Calvin Theological Seminary.

**Renee VandeWege** is the Freshman Choir director at Rockford Public Schools. She also teaches elementary music and maintains a private voice studio. Renee attends Calvary Church. Welcome, Renee, to worship at LaGrave and may God bless your music ministry among us this evening.

The flowers on the chancel are given by **Tony and Annie Tang (Aiden, Owen, Ethan)** in loving memory of Annie's brother, William (Billy) Liszewski who passed away on September 21, 2002.

**The September special offering** is for the Pregnancy Resource Center which provides education, counseling and services at no cost to the recipients. Through their variety of programs, the Pregnancy Resource Center lives out their mission "to show the truth that all people matter to God."

#### **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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