

January 20, 2019

Welcome to worship at LaGrave. Because our worship proceeds without announcements, please carefully follow the order of worship printed below. An asterick (*) 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:

Partita on “God, You Call Us to This Place” Johann Pachelbel
Psalm 1: “Three Settings on Trees” Wayne Wold, Walter Pelz
Tree of Wisdom, fruitful, green flourishing beside the stream;
spread your knowledge day and night; make your law my true delight.
Fashion me, O Lord, to be strong and splendid as a tree.

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It” arr. Richard Bouma
*God’s own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it, gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth’s treasures many? I have one worth more
than any that bought me salvation free lasting to eternity!*

*Sin, disturb my soul no longer; I am baptized into Christ! I
have comfort even stronger: Jesus’ cleansing sacrifice.
Though temptation may annoy me, Satan’s power shall not
destroy me, for against sin’s tyranny, Christ has placed his
seal on me!*

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 531

“God, You Call Us to This Place”
(The congregation is asked to rise on the last line of the hymn introduction.)

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Promises of Baptism

The Baptismal Vows of Parents and Congregation

The Sacrament of Baptism:

Henry Alexander Lee, son of Amy & Wilson Lee
Prayer Partners: Aaron & Kate Faber

The Baptismal Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 348:1,2

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

The Baptismal Blessing

The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 348:3

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

The Anthem

“Baptized in Water” Gaelic Melody, arr. Cat Stevens
*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood
of Christ, our King; heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now God’s praise we sing.*

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with
Christ, our King; one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God’s praise we sing.*

*Baptized in water; sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign
of Christ, our King; born of one Father, we are his children,
joyfully now God’s praise we sing.*

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The Moment for Missions

The Pastoral Prayer: Lift Up Your Hearts 903

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

Prayers for our church family

Sing verse 1

Prayers for our world

Sing verse 1

Prayers of praise and thanksgiving

Sing verse 2

The Offertory: “There in God’s Garden”

K. Lee Scott

The Offering:

*Today’s offering is for Inner City Christian Federation 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 Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture: Jeremiah 17:5-8 (pg. 1501)

The Sermon: “**ROOTS BY THE STREAM**”

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 684:1,2,4,5,6

“There in God’s Garden”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude: “Toccatà”

John Lee

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister
Norma deWaal Malefyt – organist
Renee Vande Wege – vocalist

Renee Vande Wege 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 January special offering is for Inner City Christian Federation which provides housing opportunities and services that encourage family responsibility and independence, thereby helping to build stable communities. ICCF assists more than 2,200 low-to-moderate income families each year and continues to address the issues of affordable housing in Grand Rapids.

Baptism Parament: The sacrament of Baptism is the sign of God’s covenant relationship with his people. Water is the primary symbol used in baptism. The parament is designed as a cascading waterfall symbolizing the washing away of our sins through the blood of Jesus Christ. A golden thread is woven in from top to bottom reminding us that God is with us from the beginning to the end of our lives and through all eternity. The crystal sparkles symbolizes the light of the Holy Spirit that guides us in every moment of our lives. The seashell holds the baptism water. The seashell has been used for baptism by the Christian church since the earliest centuries.

The Season from Christmas to Lent: From Christmas until the beginning of Lent is the liturgical season of Epiphany. The colors of gold and white symbolize this time of joy and thanksgiving. We celebrate Jesus Christ as the manifestation of God’s light in our dark and sin-filled world. It is a time to grow in our knowledge of Jesus Christ and reflect his light in our lives.

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