

February 3, 2019

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:

"Partita on *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*" John Eggert

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee: prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

*The Opening Hymn: ***Worship & Rejoice 90:1,2,5***

"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners"

(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: Hebrews 4:12-16 (pg. 1864)

The Hymn: ***Lift Up Your Hearts 627***

"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

*The Confession: Heidelberg Catechism Q. & A. 31 and 32

Why is he called "Christ," meaning "anointed"?

Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance; our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.

But why are you called a Christian?

Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for eternity.

*The Hymn of Response: ***Lift Up Your Hearts 210:1-3***

"Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus"

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem: "Amazing Grace"

arr. John Coutes, Jr.

Amazing Grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'tis grace hath brought me me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise, than when we first begun.

The Offertory:

"The King of Love, My Shepherd Is"

Raymond Haan

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing brought me.

The Offering:

Today's offering is for Wedgwood Christian Services 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: Romans 2:1-4 (pg. 1746)

The Sermon: **"THE PAULINE SETUP"**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn: ***Lift Up Your Hearts 690***

"I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace"

*The Benediction

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

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

"For the Glories of God's Grace"

Albert Travis

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister
Norma deWaal Malefyt – organist

The designated offering for the month of **February** is Wedgwood Christian Services. Wedgwood extends God's love to youth and families through professional counseling and educational services. They are a distinctively Christian, professionally excellent community of caring, dedicated to helping young people develop the ability to live secure and productive lives. For over 50 years, they've been extending God's love to children, adults, and families through professional services that promote healing and wholeness. 85% of the troubled youth served in Wedgwood's residential programs successfully complete treatment, and go on to live lives filled with meaning and purpose.

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.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org.