

February 10, 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:

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”
“Vesper Hymn”

Folger Zwaving
William Lloyd Webber

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: “O Sing to the Lord”

O sing to the Lord, o sing God a new song. O sing to our God!

For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia! O sing to our God!

Words: Brazilian folk hymn based on Psalm 98; Sp. and Eng. tr. Gerhard M. Cartford

*The Opening Hymn: **Lift Up Your Hearts 667**

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

(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: Luke 5:1-11 (pg. 1600)

The Hymn: **Worship & Rejoice 385: 1**

“Search Me, O God”

*The Confession of Faith: Belgic Confession Art. 17

We believe that our good God, by his marvelous wisdom and goodness, seeing that man had plunged himself in this manner into both physical and spiritual death and made himself completely miserable, set out to find him, though man, trembling all over, was fleeing from him.

And he comforted him, promising to give him his Son, “born of a woman,” to crush the head of the serpent, and to make him blessed.

*The Hymn of Response: **Worship & Rejoice 385:2,3**

“Search Me, O God”

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

“O Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me”

Eugene Butler

O Lord, thou hast searched and known me. Thou knowest when I sitteth down and when I rise up. Thou searchest out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted in all my ways. O Lord, thou hast searched and known me, thou layest thy hand upon me. Wonderful are thy works, O Lord! If I ascend into heaven, thou art there! If I take the wings of the morning, thou art there! I praise thee for thou art wonderful O Lord, thou hast searched and known me, and I praise thy name.

Psalm 139

The Offertory: “Search Me, O God”

Wilbur Held, David Cherwien

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: Psalm 139 (pg. 974)

The Sermon: **“THE INESCAPABLE GOD”**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Closing Hymn: **Lift Up Your Hearts 430**

“You Are Mine”

*The Benediction

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

*The Choral Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Christ Beside Me”

Richard Proulx

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me – King of my heart; Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me – never to part.

Rev. Kristy Manion – minister
Dr. Larry Visser – organist
Chancel Choir, Merle Mustert – director

The flowers on the chancel today are in loving memory of **Jack Tyler Boerema and Grandpa Jack Boerema.** Remembered by **Betty Boerema, Norm & Terri (Riley, Klaudia, and Martyna) Boerema, and John & Glenie (Tatiana, Anna) Hamersma.**

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. For those who aren't familiar with Wedgwood, a copy of a recent IMPACT newsletter is in your mailbox. LaGrave members were instrumental in founding Wedgwood over 50 years ago. If you'd like to learn more about Wedgwood, please go to www.wedgwood.org or contact Jim Boelkins. Thanks for your support.

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.

