

March 31, 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

The Prelude:

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

"Partita on *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*"

Janet Linker

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

James Brooks Kuykendall

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

Blessed Jesus, at your word we are gathered all to hear you.

Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear you. By your gospel pure and holy, teach us, Lord, to love you solely.

Glorious Lord, yourself impart; Light of Light, from God proceeding, open lips and ears and heart; help us by your Spirit's leading. Hear the cry your church now raises; Lord, accept our prayers and praises.

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 585

"With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring"

(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: Isaiah 61:1-9 (pg. 897)

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 280:1-3,5

"My Song Forever Shall Record"

*The Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 364:1-3

"Tell Out, My Soul"

The Missionary Moment

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

Paul S. Jones

*I know not why God's wondrous grace to me he hath made
known, nor why, unworthy, Christ in love redeemed me for
his own.*

*I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart, nor how
believing in his word wrought peace within my heart.*

*Refrain: But I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded
that he is able to keep that which I've committed unto him
against that day.*

*I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing us of sin,
revealing Jesus through the Word, creating faith in
him.*

*I know not when my Lord may come, at night or noontide
fair, nor if I walk the vale with him, or meet him in the
air. (Refrain)*

The Offertory: "Amazing Grace"

Robert Hobby

The Offering:

*Today's offering is for the LaGrave General Fund and God's
Kitchen. 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: Luke 4:14-21 (pg. 1891)

The Sermon: **"ALL HEAVEN BREAKS LOOSE"**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 766

"Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness"

*The Benediction

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

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

"Prelude and Fugue in G Major"

J. S. Bach

Rev. Bob Arbogast – guest minister

Rev. Mike Hoogeboom – liturgist

Norma deWaal Malefyt – organist

Jim Elzinga – vocalist

This evening we welcome **Rev. Bob Arbogast**, pastor at Celebration Fellowship Christian Reformed Churches at Handlon and Bellamy Creek Prisons in Ionia.

The designated offering for the month of **March** is for God's Kitchen. God's Kitchen served over 175,000 meals last year to hungry people throughout West Michigan. A noontime hot meal is served daily at God's Kitchen in the Heartside Neighborhood of Grand Rapids. Nourishment and meal-time respite are available to anyone who visits the dining room.

LENT: The Liturgical season of Lent is the forty days from Ash Wednesday to Easter. For Christians, it is a time of self-examination, repentance, and renewal as we identify with the journey of Jesus in his death and resurrection. The colors of purple used in the paraments and banners symbolize the suffering of Jesus. They also symbolize the suffering of humanity and the world under sin. But, purple also symbolizes royalty and Jesus the King. He is the ruler over all things.

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