

June 30, 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.

MORNING WORSHIP 10:00 AM

God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude:

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

“Adoration”

Felix Borowski

“Blessed Assurance”

Duane Funderburk

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

“Lord, Who May Dwell Within Your House”

*Lord, who may dwell within your house or on your holy hill?
Those who do good and speak the truth, whose lives are
blameless still.*

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*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 565

“God Himself Is with Us”

(The congregation is asked to rise on the last line of the hymn introduction.)

*The Greeting

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

The Welcome

We Humbly Approach our God

The Call to Repentance: Psalm 130:1-4 (pg. 969)

The Prayer of Confession:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, blameless and pure, you dwell in
inapproachable light. When we think about your
radiance, our sin-stained souls want to duck and cover—
hiding what we have done and what we have left undone;
obscuring who we are, and who we are not.
If you kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?
Forgive us. Wash us by your Spirit; wrap us up in the
righteousness of Christ. In his name we pray. Amen.**

The Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 130:5-8 (pg. 969)

*The Hymn of Commitment: Lift Up Your Hearts 729

“Let This Be My Supreme Desire”

The Profession of Faith: Bradley Post, Madeline Knoor

The Hymn of Response: Worship & Rejoice 457

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem: “Assurance”

arr. John Ness Beck
transc. Craig Courtney

*Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory
divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit,
washed in his blood.*

*Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my
Savior, all the day long.*

*Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy
and blest; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with
his goodness, lost in his love. (Refrain)*

The Offertory:

“Before the Throne of God Above / In Christ Alone”

Joshua Evanovich

The Offering:

*Today's offering is for Cherry Street Health Center 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 Doxology:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

God Speaks to Us in His Word

The Children's Message:

(Children, 4-1st grade, may leave for Children's Worship.)

The Scripture: Psalm 26, Philippians 3:4-14 (pg. 862, 1825)

The Sermon: **“A BLAMELESS LIFE”**

We Respond with Praise

The Prayer after the Sermon

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 770

“In Christ Alone”

God Sends Us into His World

*The Benediction

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

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“The Solid Rock” (My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less)

Michael Burkhardt

Dr. Stan Mast – guest minister

Rev. Kristy Manion – liturgist

Dr. Larry Visser – organist, pianist

Elise Greidanus – violinist

Jennifer Schroder – vocalist

Marlene Padding and Merv Kamper – Cross & Bible Bearers

This morning we welcome **Dr. Stan Mast** to our worship. Dr. Mast is adjunct professor of preaching at Calvin Theological Seminary and former LaGrave minister. May God bless the preaching of his Word.

Music at LaGrave:

Adoration composed by Felix Borowski was first recorded by violinist Richard Czerwonky in 1914. Both Borowski and Czerwonky were of Polish descent, but Borowski was born and educated in England. In 1896 he moved to the US and became director of the Chicago Musical College. He was also annotator for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

Adoration is rhapsodic in style and displays Borowski's gift for melody. The piece begins and ends meditatively, but is briefly interrupted by a faster and more energetic section.

The flowers on the chancel are given by **BJ Whigham** in loving memory of husband **Peter Shore Whigham**, son Peter Allen Whigham and grandson Paul Whigham.

The Special Offering for the month of June is for Cherry Street Health Services.

This evening we welcome **Dr. John Rottman**, professor of homiletics at Calvin Theological Seminary, to our worship service. He will preach on 2 Timothy 1:1-9a and his sermon is entitled, "What's Your Testimony?"

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org.