

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* 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.**

"The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended" Pierce Dickens

"Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult" William H. Jude,

H. Alexander Matthews

"Prelude and Toccata on *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*"
J. Wayne Kerr

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 513

"It Is Good to Sing Your Praises"

(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: Psalm 40 (pg. 877)

The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 660

"Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer"

*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 to 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 of Response: "Gloria Patri"

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

*Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest. No
voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor memory find a
sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of mankind!
O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek, to those
who fall, how kind thou art, how good to those who seek! But
what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can
show; the love of Jesus, what it is, none but his loved ones
know. Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be thou our glory now, and through eternity.*

The Offertory:

"Processional of Joy" (Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee)

Hal H. Hopson

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 Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:1-9a (pg. 1850)

The Sermon: **"WHAT'S YOUR TESTIMONY?"**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 356

"Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God"

*The Benediction

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

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude: "Fill Thou My Life"

Albert L. Travis

Dr. John Rottman – guest minister

Dr. Elizabeth West – organist

Jan Doornbos – vocalist

This evening we welcome **Dr. John Rottman**, professor of homiletics at Calvin Theological Seminary, to our worship service. May God bless the preaching of his Word.

We welcome **Dr. Elizabeth West** in her role as a new assistant organist. Elizabeth earned a bachelor's degree from Hope College and a doctorate degree in organ from the University of Michigan. She formerly played the organ at Trinity Lutheran Church and taught organ at Cornerstone University and currently resides in Holland with her husband and four-year-old son.

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.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org

