

June 9, 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.

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Robert Powell, John Behnke

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

"Called to Gather As God's People"

Called to gather as God's people, we assemble in this place to unite our hearts and voices in thanksgiving for God's grace: for the birthing of creation, for Christ's rising from death's hold, for the coming of the Spirit, week by week claimed and retold.

Sent to share the Spirit's blessing, we go forth renewed, restored, humbled by the task before us, strengthened by the Love outpoured. Finding faith confirmed in action, led by hope through each new day, we are called to be God's people, living what we sing and pray.

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*The Opening Hymn: ***Worship & Rejoice 459***

"Come, All Christians, Be Committed"

(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 119:33-40 (pg. 958)

The Hymn of Response: ***Lift Up Your Hearts 721***

"Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth"

*The Confession of Faith:

Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

Heidelberg Catechism: Q. & A. #21

*The Hymn of Response: ***Lift Up Your Hearts 426:1,2,4***

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

"Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated" Mark Hayes

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing, always, only, for my King.

Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.

Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

The Offertory:

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Wilbur Held, Gordon Young

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: Mark 4:21-25 (pg. 1561)

The Sermon: **"SPIRITUAL MOMENTUM"**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: ***Worship & Rejoice 413***

"When Our Confidence Is Shaken"

*The Benediction

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

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude: "When Our Confidence Is Shaken"

John Behnke, J. Bert Carlson

Dr. Neal Plantinga – guest minister

Rev. Kristy Manion – liturgist

Sara Good – organist

Henry Kingma – vocalist

This evening, we welcome Dr. Neal Plantinga to our worship service. Dr. Plantinga is senior research fellow at the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship and president emeritus of Calvin Theological Seminary.

Henry Kingma is an alumnus of Calvin College where he sang in the Capella. Henry currently is a tenor in the Choral Scholars and Calvin Alumni Choir. Thank you, Henry, for your music ministry this evening.

The flowers on the chancel are given by the **Ondersma family** in loving memory of **Ralph D. Ondersma**, beloved husband, father, and Pakke.

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

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org

