

**July 7, 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.**

“Lamb of God, Pure and Holy”

J. S. Bach

“O Christ, the Lamb of God”

Paul Manz

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

“Come, You Sinners, Poor and Needy”

*Come, you sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.*

*Come, arise, and go to Jesus, he will take you in his arms; in the love of your dear Savior you are safe from all alarms.*

\*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 590:1-5, 8

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

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

\*The Greeting

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

The Welcome

### *We Approach God with Penitence*

The Call to Repentance: Psalm 32 (pg. 867)

The Prayer of Confession:

**Dear Jesus, you call us to follow you in obedience to your law of love. But we chase after meaning through greed and gossip, lust and idolatry until our hearts are drowning under our own sin. Forgive our selfishness. Hide us in your grace and instruct us in the way we should go. We rejoice in your unfailing love and sing of your salvation. Amen.**

The Penitential Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 624:1,2

“Not What My Hands Have Done”

\*The Assurance of Pardon:

How are you righteous before God?

**Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments, of never having kept any of them, and of still being inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without any merit of my own, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, and as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is accept this gift with a believing heart.**

Heidelberg Catechism Q. & A. 60

\*The Hymn of Response:

**I praise the Christ of God; I rest on love divine; and with unfaltering lip and heart I call this Savior mine. My Lord has saved my life and freely pardon gives; I love because he first loved me, I live because he lives.**

LUYH 624:3

### *We Respond with Thanksgiving*

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

“How Deep the Father's Love for Us”

Stuart Townend

*How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure that he should give his only Son and make a wretch his treasure. How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns his face away as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.*

*Behold, the Man upon the cross, my sin upon his shoulder. Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the*

*scoffers. It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished. His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.*

*I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no power, no wisdom, but I will boast in Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection. Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer, but this I know with all my heart, his wounds have paid my ransom.*

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The Offertory:

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” B. Wayne Bisbee, James Biery

The Offering:

*Today's offering is for Westminster Food Pantry 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, 4-1<sup>st</sup> grade, may leave for Children's Worship.)*

The Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-6 (pg. 1147)

The Sermon: **“THE WOUNDED HEALER”**

### *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:

“Lift High the Cross”

David Cherwien

Rev. John Steigenga – minister emeritus

Rev. Mike Hoogeboom – liturgist

Dr. Larry Visser – organist, pianist

Kathryn Becksvoort – vocalist

Susan and Evan Roelofs – Cross & Bible Bearers

This morning we welcome **Rev. John Steigenga**, minister emeritus, to our worship. May God bless the preaching of his Word.

### **Music at LaGrave**

English contemporary song writer Stuart Townend wrote the melody of *How Deep the Father's Love* before he wrote the lyrics. Written in the mid-1990s, it is one of his songs composed in hymn-like style, making it accessible to both contemporary and traditional worship styles. Verse one speaks of the cost of Christ's sacrifice on the cross; verse two expresses that it was our sin that caused his death; verse three echoes the words of Galatians 6:14. The song concludes “His wounds have paid my ransom,” supporting this morning's scripture text and sermon.

The flowers on the chancel are in memory of Kristina Moelker, our sister and aunt. **Joe, Kristin, Ashleigh, Trent and Gavin Ponstein**

**The Special Offering** for the month of July is for Westminster Food Panty. The downtown food pantry provides an emergency supply of food and personal care items to people in need while also promoting self-sufficiency through referrals and education.

This evening, **Rev. John Steigenga** will preach for us. His Scripture is Luke 22:7-20 and the sermon is entitled, “Remember Me.” We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper.