

LaGrave CRC Outdoor Worship
August 16, 2020 – 8:30 AM

The Welcome

*The Greeting

*The Opening Hymns:

Lift Up Your Hearts 521 – “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

1. **Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount—I’m fixed upon it—mount of God’s unchanging love.**
2. **Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I’ve come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**
3. **Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be!
Let that grace now like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee;
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here’s my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.**

Lift Up Your Hearts 770 – “In Christ Alone”

1. **In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song—
this corner stone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.**
2. **In Christ alone, who took on flesh—fullness of God in helpless babe!
this gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save.
‘Till on the cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.**
3. **There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
then, bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am his and he is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.**
4. **No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
from life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no human plan, can ever pluck me from his hand;
‘til he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I’ll stand!**

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The Pastoral Prayer – concluded by the Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come; your will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts,**

**as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Children's Message

The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 749 – "Spirit of the Living God"

- 1. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**
- 2. Spirit of the living God, move among us all;
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love;
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.**

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The Bible Reading: Ephesians 3:16-4:6

The Sermon: "Make Every Effort"

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 251 – "The Church's One Foundation"

- 1. The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the Word.
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.**
- 2. Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.**
- 3. Mid toil and tribulations, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore,
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.**
- 4. Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.**

*The Benediction

Participants: Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Rev. Ruth Boven – liturgist

Julia Fletcher – Keyboard