

LaGrave Avenue CRC Livestream Worship September 20, 2020

God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude: "Sinfonia" (Adagio / Allegro) – John Stanley

"The King of Love, My Shepherd Is" – Irish Melody

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: "Come, Worship God"

*Come, worship God, who is worthy of honor; enter God's presence with thanks and a song!
You are the rock of your people's salvation, to whom our jubilant praises belong.*

*We are your people, the sheep of your pasture; you are our Maker, and to you we pray.
Gladly we kneel in obedience before you; great is the one whom we worship this day!*

The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 224

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

- 1. Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore.
Rejoice, give thanks and sing and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice. Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**
- 2. His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice. Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**
- 3. He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit,
bow down at his command, and fall beneath his feet.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice. Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

The Greeting

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

The Welcome

We Come Humbly Before Our God

The Call to Confession: 1 Peter 1:22-2:3

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness: 1 Peter 1:18-21

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 264:1,2,5

"Lift High the Cross"

**Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

- 1. Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain**

2. **All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain***

5. **Let every race and every language tell
of him who saves our lives from death and hell. *Refrain***

We Celebrate God's Covenant Promises (8:30 Outdoor Worship)

The Promises of Baptism

The Baptismal Vows of Parents

The Sacrament of Baptism: **Jude James Spiering**, son of Tyler and Jenna Spiering
Prayer Partner: Alisha Doezema

The Baptismal Blessing

The Baptismal Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 790:1,2

“Baptized in Water”

1. **Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God's praise we sin.**

2. **Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ, our King,
one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praise we sing.**

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We Respond with Thanksgiving

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 Anthem: “God of the Deep” – Dan Forrest

*Each time I stand and wonder at the vastness of the sea,
I know that there are mysteries too great and deep for me.
The wide expanse of water reaches far beyond my sight,
And yet I know the One to whom its depths are full of light.*

*The mighty waves roll into shore and break upon the sand,
compelled by unseen forces that I cannot understand.
The currents run beneath the waves in perfect, charted paths;
a skillful hand directs their courses, as it ever has.*

*The wide expanse of water reaches far beyond my sight,
and yet I know the One to whom its depths are full of light.*

*The ocean teems with living things who never see the sun,
and yet there is an eye who sees and knows them, every one;
and that same eye has fathomed all the myst'ries of my days,
when tears have dimmed my sight, a heart of love still charts my ways.*

*When simple explanations lie too deep for me to find,
I rest in God who holds the whole creation in his mind.
I hope in him whose skill and wisdom far exceed my own.
The secrets of the hidden depths belong to God alone.*

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The Offertory: "Trumpet Tune in C" – Maurice Greene

The Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

God Speaks to Us

The Children's Message

Click [here](#) for children's video

The Sung Prayer for Illumination Lift Up Your Hearts 754:1,4

"Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak"

- 1. Lord, speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of your tone.
As you have sought, so let me seek your erring children, lost and lone.**
- 4. O fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflows
in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.**

The Scripture: 1 Peter 2:4-10

The Sermon: "Hometown Exiles: A Royal Priesthood, A Holy Nation"

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Go in His Peace

The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 772:1,2,4

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

- 1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

*Refrain: On Christ the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.*

2. **When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.** *Refrain*

4. **When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.** *Refrain*

The Benediction

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

The Organ Amen

The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

The Postlude: "Marche Triomphale" (based on choral *Now Thank We All Our God*)

Participants:

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Rev. Mike Hoozeboom – liturgist

Jonathan Tuuk – organist

Karel deWaal Malefyt – vocalist