

LaGrave CRC Outdoor Worship
September 6, 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 518:1,3,4 - "Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah"

- 1. Praise the Lord! Sing hallelujah! Come, our great Redeemer praise.
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor on human help depend.
They shall die, to dust returning; all their thoughts and plans shall end.**

- 3. Food he daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning prisoner free,
raises those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eyes to see.
God our Savior loves the righteous, and the stranger he befriends,
helps the orphan and the widow, judgment on the wicked sends.**

- 4. Praise the Lord! Sing hallelujah! Come, our great Redeemer praise.
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever; through all ages he is King.
Unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.**

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

The Promises of Baptism

The Baptismal Vows of Parents

The Sacrament of Baptism: **Oliver James VanderPloeg**, son of Nathan and Megan VanderPloeg
Prayer Partners: Chip and Julie Wisse

The Baptismal Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 800:1-3; “What the Lord Has Done in Me”

1. **Let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich.
Let the blind say I can see. It’s what the Lord has done in me.**

**Refrain: Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain.
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again.**

2. **Into the river I will wade. There my sins are washed away.
From the heaven’s mercy stream of the Savior’s love for me. (Refrain)**
3. **I will rise from waters deep into the saving arms of God.
I will sing salvation songs. Jesus Christ has set me free. (Refrain)**

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The Baptismal Blessing

The Pastoral Prayer

The Bible Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5

The Sermon: “Labor that Lasts”

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 928:1,2,4 - “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

1. **Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy’s perfect deed,
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart,
consecrating to your purpose every gift that you impart.**
2. **Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
use the love your Spirit kindles still to make your people whole.**
4. **Called through worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show.
Hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know, and live.**

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*The Benediction

Participants: Rev. Ruth Boven – minister

Rev. Kristy Manion – liturgist

Jess Hollenbach – keyboard