

February 14, 2021

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 8:40 & 11:00 AM

Please prepare your heart and mind for worship with a time of prayer and meditation.

God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude:

“Aria” Paul Manz
“Speak, O Lord” Lloyd Larson
“...shape and fashion us in your likeness—that the light of Christ might be seen in us today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.”

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: “Come to Me, O Weary Traveler” William P. Rowan
Come to me, O weary traveler; come to me with your distress; come to me, you heavy burdened; come to me and find your rest.

Take my yoke and leave your troubles; take my yoke and come with me. Take my yoke, I am beside you; take and learn humility.

Rest in me, O weary traveler; rest in me and do not fear. Rest in me, my heart is gentle; rest and cast away your care.

Matthew 11:28-30
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*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 755:1-2

“Speak, O Lord”
(The congregation is asked to rise on the last line of the hymn introduction.)

*The Greeting

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

The Welcome

We Humbly Approach God

The Call to Confession: Litany: The Ten Commandments 2
Lift Up Your Hearts 718

The Unison Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we come to you broken, aware that we need your grace. We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer concluded with:

**Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart (in my heart,) in my heart, (in my heart,)
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.**

W&R 457:3

The Assurance of Forgiveness: Ezekiel 36:25-26

*The Hymn of Commitment: Lift Up Your Hearts 863:1,2,4-6
“Take My Life and Let It Be”

*The Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*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.**

The Childrens's Message

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem: “Be Thou My Vision” Irish Hymn, arr. Tom Trenney
Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

God Speaks to Us

The Scripture: Matthew 7:21-28

The Sermon: **“GOING DEEPER: NOT EVERYONE WHO SAYS TO ME, ‘LORD, LORD...’”**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 746
“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

*The Benediction

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

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude: "Lead On, O King Eternal" Michael Helman
"...with deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes."

*Offering plates are located at the Sanctuary exits.
Thank you for your continued support of our ministries.*

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister
Rev. Ruth Boven – liturgist
Dr. Larry Visser – organist, pianist
Patricia Stephenson – violist
Ashley Grace Stephenson – vocalist

Joyce Waalkes and Rev. Peter Jonker – Cross & Bible Bearers (8:40)
Polly Lindh and Rev. Peter Jonker – Cross & Bible Bearers (11:00)

Music at LaGrave:

Tom Trenney is a highly skilled organist who is equally skilled at the piano, composing, arranging and conducting. He is in his twelfth year as director of music at First Plymouth Church in Lincoln, Nebraska. He also leads choirs at Nebraska Wesleyan University. His beautifully arranged solo version of the Irish hymn *Be Thou My Vision* combines slightly altered melody and rhythm, a flowing piano accompaniment, and a viola part which plays the role of a soloist at the outset and an obbligato accompaniment thereafter.

The February special offering for the month is **Wedgwood Christian Services**. Wedgwood extends God's love to youth and families through professional counseling and educational services. They are a distinctively Christian, professionally excellent community of caring, dedicated to helping young people develop the ability to live secure and productive lives. For over 50 years, they've been extending God's love to children, adults, and families through professional services that promote healing and wholeness. 85% of the troubled youth served in Wedgwood's residential programs successfully complete treatment, and go on to live lives filled with meaning and purpose.

This evening, Reverend Jonker will preach on Ezekiel's wild vision of the temple at the end of his book. His text will be Ezekiel 47:1-12

The liturgical season of Epiphany is a time of joy and thanksgiving. We celebrate Jesus Christ who is the manifestation of God's light in our dark and sin-filled world. And as we grow in our knowledge of Jesus, we are called to reflect his light in our lives.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org.