

**February 14, 2021**

Welcome to worship at LaGrave. Because our worship proceeds without announcements, please carefully follow the order of worship printed below. An asterick (\*) denotes standing for those who are able. We are glad that you are here. Let us worship God together.

**EVENING WORSHIP 6:00 PM**

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

The Prelude:

Variations on “Jesus, Lover of My Soul” Janet Linker  
Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art; freely let me take of thee; spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

Meditation and Ornamented Chorale on  
“Great Is the Lord Our God” Charles Callahan

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

\*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 249:1,3,5  
“Great is the Lord Our God”  
*(The congregation is asked to rise on the last line of the hymn introduction.)*

\*The Greeting

\*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Psalm 46

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 616:1,2,3, refrain  
“As a Deer in Want of Water”

\*The Confession

Q. Why is he called “Christ,” meaning “anointed?”  
**A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance;**

**our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.**

Q. But why are you called a Christian?

**A. Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for eternity.**

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 31 and 32

\*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 356  
“Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God”

The Pastoral Prayer  
concluded by singing: Lift Up Your Hearts 903  
“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

The Scripture: Ezekiel 47:1-12

The Sermon: **“THE TEMPLE AND THE RIVER”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

\*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 490: 1,2,3,4  
“Hear From All Nations”

\*Benediction

\*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

\*The Organ Amen

\*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

\*The Postlude:  
“Sinfonia from Cantata 29” J.S. Bach, arranged by Homer Whitford

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

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister  
Norma deWaal Malefyt – organist

**The February special offering** is for **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.

**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.

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