

**August 29, 2021**

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.

**EVENING WORSHIP 6:00 PM**

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

The Prelude:

“The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended”  
“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

David Cherwien  
Raymond Haan

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

\*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 109

“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

*(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: Luke 15:1-10

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 369

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

\*The Confession:

Q. What do you believe when you say, “I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?”

**A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt**

**he will provide whatever I need  
for body and soul, and will turn to my good  
whatever adversity he sends upon me in this sad  
world. God is able to do this because he is almighty  
God and desires to do this because he is a faithful  
Father.**

Q. How does the knowledge of God’s creation and providence help us?

**A. We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God’s hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.**

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 26 & 28

\*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 21

“This is My Father’s World”

The Pastoral Prayer: *concluded by singing our sung prayer of illumination:*

**Blessed Jesus, at your word we are gathered all to hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear you. By your gospel pure and holy, teach us, Lord, to love you solely.**

**Glorious Lord, yourself impart; Light of Light, from God proceeding, open lips and ears and heart; help us by your Spirits leading. Hear the cry your church now raises; Lord, accept our prayers and praises.**

LUYH 763: 1,3

The Scripture: 1 Kings 17:1-16

The Sermon: **“THE CHURCH OF ZAREPHATH”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

\*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 387

“The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended”

\*The Benediction

\*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

\*The Organ Amen

\*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

\*The Postlude:

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Keith Kolander, Michael Burkhardt

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

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister  
Sara Good – organist

**Ordinary Time**, the longest liturgical season, is a season of spiritual growth. The banners and parament for this season reflect concepts from Isaiah 12:2-3. We come to know the Lord more deeply as our strength and our salvation as we grow by being rooted in God’s word. With joy we draw from that well of salvation.

The flowers in the chancel today are given in loving memory of **Al and Eleanor Vogel.**

**The special offering today, August 29, and on Sunday, September 5 will be used to assist the relief work of Henry Beets missionaries Juska and Jona Lazarres in Haiti.** Please write "Haiti Relief" in the memo line of a check or use the link provided on the church's giving website or email blast. The November special offering for World Renew will be designated for Haiti Relief.

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