

November 7, 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 AM & 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:

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

arr. Tim Zimmerman

“Adagio on *Trust and Obey*”

Larry Visser

“Prayer of Saint Gregory”

Alan Hovhaness

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

“All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord”

*All praise to our redeeming Lord, who joins us by his grace, and bids us, each to each restored, together seek his face.*

*He bids us build each other up; and, gathered into one, to our high calling's glorious hope we hand in hand go on.*

\*The Processional Hymn: ***Worship & Rejoice 388***

“O God in Whom All Life Begins”

*(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: Romans 12:1-3, 6-8

The Prayer of Confession:

**Forgive us Father, when our lives reflect those who follow the ways of the world rather than the ways of Jesus. Forgive us when we compare ourselves to others and think we come out on top. Forgive us when we believe the gift or talent you have given us is more important than the gifts and talents of others. We pray that your Spirit will work in our hearts and lives and transform them for your service. Amen.**

*concluded by singing our sung prayer of illumination:*

- 1. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**
- 2. Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love; humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.**

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The Assurance of Forgiveness: Isaiah 44:21-22

\*The Hymn of Commitment: Lift Up Your Hearts 334:1-3,5

“May the Mind of Christ, My Savior”

*(All sopranos are invited to sing the descant on verse 5)*

The Moment for Stewardship

\*The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 871:1,4

“What Shall I Render to the Lord”

The Children's Message

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

“Miren Qué Bueno” (Oh, Look and Wonder)

Pablo Sosa

*(Refrain) ;Miren qué bueno, qué bueno es!*

*Oh, look and wonder how good it is!*

*How good it is when brothers dwell in peace with one another: it is like precious oil when running fresh on Aaron's beard. (Refrain)*

*How good it is when sisters dwell in peace with one another: fresh like the morning dew that falls on Zion's holy hill. (Refrain)*

*How good it is when all earth's people dwell in peace together: there is where God will pour the blessing, life forevermore. (Refrain)*

Psalm 133

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### *God Speaks to Us in His Word*

The Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

The Sermon: “**AGREE WITH ONE ANOTHER**”

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

### *We Go in His Peace*

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

\*The Benediction

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

\*The Organ Amen (8:40)

\*The Choral Amen (11:00)

\*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

\*The Postlude:

“Psalm 19” (The Heavens Declare the Glory of God)

Benedetto Marcello, arr. Sue Mitchell-Wallace and John H. Head

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

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister  
Pastor Bob Grussing – liturgist  
Dr. Larry Visser – organist, pianist  
Renee Vande Wege – vocalist (8:40)  
Chancel Choir Men, Dr. James Borst – director (11:00)  
Greg Alley – trumpeter  
Kayla Bosma and Rev. Peter Jonker – Cross & Bible Bearers (8:40)  
Merv Kamper and Rev. Peter Jonker – Cross & Bible Bearers (11:00)

**Greg Alley**, is a trumpet instructor at Calvin University, was formerly in the West Point Band in New York for 23 years, and toured with the King’s Brass from 2009-2020. We welcome Greg and ask God’s blessing on his music ministry.

**Ordinary Time**, the liturgical season of spiritual growth, continues until Advent. As you look at the banners and paraments, reflect on these concepts from Colossians 2:6&7: “Remain rooted in Jesus Christ and in the faith you were taught. Let the spirit of thanksgiving overflow in your life.”

**Music at LaGrave:**

Pablo Sosa (1933-2020) was a composer, church musician, hymnal editor, professor of liturgy, and pastor in the Evangelical Methodist Church in Argentina. His piece *Miren Qué Bueno* (Oh, Look and Wonder) is based on Psalm 133 and originates in Portugal, but was brought to Brazil in the 1800s. Crossing the southern border, it became popular in eastern Argentina. Rhythmic and joyful, this anthem has a short recurring refrain, this morning sung in both Spanish and English.

The beautiful flowers on the chancel today are given in loving memory of **Roger Feenstra**, by his wife **Grace and family**, on the third anniversary of his passing into Glory.

**The November Special Offering is for World Renew:**

Over the last decade, World Renew supporters have met the needs of 6 million disaster survivors, providing more than immediate relief. Together we’ve helped communities realize long-term goals that equip them to function better than before and to endure long after the response work is done. In order to help alleviate suffering in **Haiti** our contributions will be designated for Disaster

Response. Ultimately, the hope is to rebuild communities impacted by suffering to be stronger and healthier, able to withstand future disasters

**This evening will be our Service of Remembrance.**

Livestreaming worship is available at [lagrave.org/live](https://lagrave.org/live)