February 6, 2022
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:
- “Adagio”  
Johann Sebastian Bach
- “Cherubic Hymn”  
Raymond H. Haan
- “Whiter Than Snow”  
Albin Whitworth

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 696
“Marvelous Grace”*

*The Greeting


The Welcome

The Reading: Psalm 51:1-12

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 623
“God, Be Merciful to Me”

*The Confession

Q. How does holy baptism remind and assure you that Christ’s one sacrifice on the cross benefits you personally?
A. In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it promised that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and his Spirit wash away my soul’s impurity, that is, all my sins.

Q. What does it mean to be washed with Christ’s blood and Spirit?
A. To be washed with Christ’s blood means that God, by grace, has forgiven our sins because of Christ’s blood poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross.

To be washed with Christ’s Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed and sanctified us to be members of Christ, so that more and more we become dead to sin and live holy and blameless lives. 

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 69 & 70

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 363
“Blessed Assurance: Jesus is Mine”

The Pastoral Prayer

Prayer will be concluded with singing: Lift Up Your Hearts 617:1,3
“Spirit Divine, Inspire Our Prayer”

The Scripture: Numbers 19

The Sermon: “THE RED HEIFER”

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Closing Hymn: Worship & Rejoice 360
“What the Lord Has Done in Me”

*The Benediction


*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Just as I Am, Without One Plea”  
Charles One
Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister  
Dr. Larry Visser – organist

Epiphany: The Season from Christmas to Lent

The liturgical season after Christmastide to Lent is called Epiphany. During this time, we celebrate Jesus Christ, the Savior, who is the manifestation of God’s light in our dark and sin-filled world. As we grow in our knowledge of Jesus, we are called to reflect his light in our lives in our neighborhoods and the world.

The February special offering is for The Bridge of Arbor Circle (located in Grand Rapids), which offers emergency shelter for youth and additional counseling for the youth and their families.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live