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:
“Partita on Rejoice, the Lord is King”

Charles Callahan

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: (8:40)
“See, the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph”

See, the Conqueror mounts in triumph; see the King in royal state riding on the clouds, his chariot, to his heavenly palace gate. Hark! the choirs of angel voices joyful alleluias sing, and the portals high are lifted to receive their heavenly King.

Thou hast raised our human nature on the clouds to God’s right hand; there we sit in heavenly places, there with thee in glory stand: Jesus reigns, adored by angels, man with God is on the throne! Mighty Lord, in thine ascension we by faith behold our own.

The Introit: (11:00)
“Nations, Clap Your Hands”

Nations, clap your hands: shout with joy, you lands! Awesome is the Lord; spread his fame abroad. He rules every land with a mighty hand. God brings nations low; he subdues each foe. From his mighty throne God protects his own. Our inheritance is our sure defense.

God goes up on high with a joyful cry, with a mighty shout; people, sing it out! Let your voices bring praises to our King. Praise him with a song; praise with heart and tongue; praise with every skill; praise with mind and will. God rules all the earth; magnify his worth.

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The Assurance of Forgiveness: Revelation 1:18

*The Hymn of Commitment: Lift Up Your Hearts 224
“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

*The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Go in His Peace

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 219:1,2,4,5
“Jesus Shall Reign”

*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.

God Speaks to Us

The Scripture: Hebrews 2:5-15

The Sermon: “YET AT PRESENT…”

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*The Benediction


*The Organ Amen (8:40)

*The Choral Amen (11:00)
The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

The Postlude:
“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
Christopher Tambling, Donald Rotermund

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister
Erin Alley – liturgist
Dr. Larry Visser – organist, pianist
Jim Elzinga & Ben VanHouten – vocalists (8:40)
Chancel Choir, Dr. James Borst – director (11:00)
Chad Boorsma and Rev. Peter Jonker – Cross and Bible Bearers (8:40)
Rachel Rynbrandt and Rev. Peter Jonker – Cross and Bible Bearers (11:00)

The liturgical season of Easter is the fifty days from Easter to Pentecost. The white, gold, and crystals used in the paraments and banners reflect the glory of the resurrection. Jesus Christ has won the victory over sin and death! Alleluia!

Music at LaGrave (11:00)
Psalm 47 is often associated with Ascension Day; verses 5-7 of that Psalm have been set to music by many composers. William Croft (1678-1727) was organist at London’s Westminster Abbey and composed hymns and choral anthems. God Is Gone Up is known as a “Verse-Anthem,” a piece with similar music in the outer sections and contrasting material in the middle section. This morning, the choir sings just the outer sections which joyfully exclaim the glory of the ascended King.

The flowers on the chancel today are given by Jan Heerspink, in loving remembrance of the life of John Heerspink, who died ten years ago on June 3, 2012.

The May Special Offering is for Safe Haven Ministries. Safe Haven Ministries is a Christ centered ministry, helping prevent and end relationship abuse. Residential and non-residential services are available to individuals and families who have experienced or who are experiencing domestic abuse, human trafficking, and exploitation.

There is no evening service.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live