

June 19, 2022

Welcome to worship at LaGrave. It is our hope and prayer that you will receive a deep spiritual blessing as we listen to and praise our Lord. The sanctuary and chapel are equipped with T-coil loop systems. We pray that your experience today will be a blessed one, and that together we will see Jesus.

Preparing for Worship: Next Sunday morning we continue our "Love Must Be Sincere" sermon series based on Romans 12:9-21. Reverend Jonker will be preaching on verse 12 where Paul says, "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." It is also SERVE Sunday. We will be led in worship by close to 100 young people from all over the country who will be working in our community for the week.

Next Sunday night, Reverend Jonker will lead a service focused on images for the Holy Spirit in the New Testament.

TODAY

Nurseries, 2s & 3s and Children's Worship will meet during our morning service.

Emily DeRuiter, a missionary supported by Henry Beets Mission Society, will join us in worship today. Emily is a videographer for Cru International. Please stop in the Parlor after the service today to greet Emily and hear about her work reaching students through her video productions.

UPCOMING

Open House Celebration Event! We are very excited that LaGrave missionaries Arbin and Bimala Pokharel received visas to come to the U.S. and will be able to be with us in person this month. The Mission Committee invites you to an Open House **Tuesday, June 21, 2022** beginning at **6:00pm** held right here at church in the MPR to greet and encourage the Pokharels and to celebrate their expanding ministry in Nepal. Their presentation will be at 6:45 pm with meet and greet before and after. A light supper will be served.

SERVE – If you are bringing donated items for SERVE, please place them on the table in the Multi-Purpose Room by Friday, June 24. Thank You!

SERVE NEEDS remaining – The SERVE team arrives this week Saturday and as of last Thursday, we have received \$2000 which means we are halfway to our goal of \$4000 to help buy meals. 16 spaces to help prepare, serve and clean up at meals still need to be filled. 19 food items need to be donated. More people are needed to help with "security" at bedtime. You can sign up on the big board in the narthex, online using the links in the News & Opportunities email or by calling Pastor Bob indicating how you might be able to help.

CREW (High School Students) – We are working on additional summer activities so please check your email and texts for updates.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Welcome to LaGrave! If you are a visitor or guest, please note our congregation's covid protocols. Masks continue to be required in the balcony. Masks are optional everywhere else on LaGrave's campus.

The LaGrave News is Back! After a two-year hiatus, we have re-started publication of our congregational newsletter. This newsletter is an important communication tool for our church family, and we are excited about its return. The LaGrave News has a fresh, new look and it was delivered virtually last week through email and it is also available on our website. If you prefer a physical copy, a limited number of printed editions will be available at church at the Welcome Desk.

The **Lenten Booklet** committee is seeking meditations for 2022. All are invited to participate: young people, new and longtime members, and those who may not be members but attend LaGrave from time to time. To give us ample time to edit and prepare the booklet, we need your work within the next three months (July—September). Your entry may be a personal story, an insightful spiritual observation, or poetry—a meditation that will draw us closer to our Savior. **Meditations should be 350-375 words in length**; this word count includes a title, a brief Scripture reading (**with the version of the Bible you used**), and a closing prayer. Please send your meditation via email to Della Landheer (land5933@comcast.net) as an attachment. We prefer that you send an electronic copy, however, *If you do not have access to a computer*, you may send a hard copy via the post office to: Della Landheer, 2500 Breton Woods Dr. Unit 2005,

Grand Rapids, MI 49512. Any questions may be sent to the same email address or call Della at (616) 656-5998. We'd like to receive your work by **September 30**.

Middle School Ministries Coordinator – Do you have a desire to make a difference in the lives our middle school students? We are searching for someone to fill this part-time (10-20 hr. per week) paid position. Responsibilities include providing vision and direction for our Middle School ministry, planning and facilitating events for this age group and developing a relational ministry with our middle school students. If you are interested in finding out more about this position, or know of someone who might be, please contact Pastor Bob, bgrussing@lagrave.org or 616-745-0045.

LaGrave is seeking another wedding and special events consultant. If you are organized and enjoy helping people, please contact Amy Hermen, Administrative Manager for more information at 454-7204 or ahermen@lagrave.org

GEMS counselors' card sale: We have boxes of various types of cards available on a table near the church office. Cards are \$5 per box or pkg. This is an honor system sale. You place your money or an IOU into the box on the table. Thank you for your support of our club.

From the Disabilities Awareness Committee: Just a friendly reminder. The spaces in the parking lot with the diagonal stripes are for persons needing extra space getting in and out of their vehicles.

Notes of Thanks:

We were touched by all the cards, calls and expressions of sympathy in the recent loss of John's brother Norwin. It is good to belong to the communion of the saints!

John and Judy Steigenga

Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has prayed for me, sent cards, or encouraged me in any way, during my almost 8-year journey since a broken towrope hit my left eye. The lens implant went very well! I am awaiting one more surgery—a transplant of corneal cells. And I praise the Lord for what sight has been restored!

Connie Kuiper VanDyke

PRAYER CONCERNS

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Let us faithfully pray for:

- **Sandy Buter**, who has moved to Clark at Keller Lake Memory Care.
- **Marv and Jackie Heyboer's daughter** Julie Piers, as she awaits her pathology report and plans for future treatments.
- **Sharon Karsten**, who is awaiting further testing for ongoing cardiac pulmonary episodes.
- **Arv Wierda**, who had a PET scan this week and anticipates meeting with his oncologist next week following a diagnosis of MALT lymphoma.
- **Safety for those who will be traveling to LaGrave this Saturday** to be a part of this year's SERVE team.

We extend our Christian sympathy to:

- **The family and friends of Shirley Grassmidt** who passed away on Saturday, June 11. Her funeral service was held on June 17 at Raybrook Manor. Chad Boorsma officiated.

Please pray for those continuing in hospice care: Marcia Chrzanowski, Katherine Doezema, John Leegwater, John Ubels, Sr.

Please pray for those with continuing needs:

Darcy Afman, Jackie Crawford (Jim and Bea Hoek's daughter), Cloe Ann Danford, Ron Day, Sandra Destrempe, Joan Elzinga, Don Haan, Jim Kipp, Marv Klyn, Anita MacDonald (John Postmus' daughter), Myrna Mulder, Hattie Patterson, Ginger Penning, Addie Post (granddaughter of Roger & Phyllis Post), Rich Postma, Marianne Stehouwer, Andy Tiggelman, Bob VanderLey, Dori VanderMey, Yvonne VanEe, Sharon VanHouten, Glenda Veltman, Harve Westveld

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 19

10:00 AM

Morning Worship

Infant & Toddler Childcare

2's and 3's Church Time, 3's Room

Children's Worship, 4s – 2nd Grade

Meet Missionary Emily DeRuitter, Parlor

Evening Worship

10:15 AM

11:00 AM

6:00 PM

Monday, June 20

5:00 PM

Evangelistic Outreach Committee, LLMR

5:30 PM

Finance Committee, Parlor

6:30 PM

Youth Ed Committee, Parlor

7:30 PM

Fellowship Committee, LLMR

Tuesday, June 21

6:00 PM

Mission Committee Supper, MPR

7:00 PM

Worship Committee, Parlor

Wednesday, June 22

8:00 AM

Men's Bible Study, LLMR

9:00 AM

Women's Morning Bible Study, Parlor

2:00 PM

Pastoral Care Assistants Meeting, Parlor

4:00 PM

Pastoral Care Committee, Parlor

6:30 PM

Faith Journey Bible Study, Parlor

Assisting This Week: June 19

Security: 10:00 – Ryan Boyk and Mark Mensonides

Assisting Next Week: June 26

Security: 10:00 – Allen Gelderloos and Tim Walcott