

June 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday

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 & 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:

“Come, O Creator Spirit, Come”

Eric H. Thiman

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

James Biery

“Holy Spirit, Truth Divine”

David Cherwien

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Philip Moore

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: (8:40)

“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

Like the murmur of the dove’s song, like the challenge of her flight, like the vigor of the wind’s rush, like the new flame’s eager might: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

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*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 246

“God Is Here”

*The Greeting

The Welcome

We Humbly Approach Our God

The Call to Confession: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

The Prayer of Confession:

O Lord, our desire is to know you. Our danger is that our limited knowledge of your holiness and compassion, justice and mercy confines you according to our own understanding. We confess our reluctance to fully understand your crucifixion and so we fall short of fully practicing your resurrection. Forgive our reluctance. Holy Spirit, nurture our holy curiosity for Christ-like weakness and transform our hearts by your power. And give us the mind of Christ. Amen.

The Assurance of Forgiveness: Ephesians 1:13-14

*The Hymn of Commitment: Lift Up Your Hearts 746:1,3

“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Children’s Message

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

“Draw Us in The Spirits Tether”

Harold W. Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether; for when humbly in thy name two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them: Alleluia! Touch we now thy garments hem. As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be. Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.

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God Speaks to Us

The Scripture: Romans 8:1-17

The Sermon: **“THE SPIRIT WHO GIVES LIFE”**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 590:1,3,4,8

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

God Feeds Us at His Table

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

With joy we praise you, gracious God, for you created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for Jesus

Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Thank you that in Jesus we are freed from condemnation for life in your kingdom.

Thank you for sending your Spirit, who guides us in paths of truth and forms Christ’s life in us.

We join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name:

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

The Prayer of Consecration

Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom.

We pray this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever, Amen.

The Sharing of Christ's Body

“Lift Up Your Hearts unto the Lord”

Lift up your hearts unto the Lord, Sing alleluia.

In Christ the world has been redeemed, Sing alleluia.

His resurrection sets us free. Sing alleluia.

Therefore, we celebrate the feast. Sing alleluia.

Sing alleluia to the Lord.

The Sharing of Christ's Blood

“This Is the Feast of Victory”

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Hallelujah!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. (Refrain)

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his. (Refrain)

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever.

Amen. (Refrain)

For the Lamb who was slain, has begun his reign. Hallelujah!

(Refrain) words from Revelation 5:12-14 para. John W. Arthur (1922-1980)

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The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 695:1,3,4*

“And Can It Be”

(an offering for the general fund and benevolence fund will be received during the closing hymn)

*The Benediction

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

*The Choral Benediction

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

John Rutter

The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

Numbers 6:24

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Come as Fire,” from *Partita on Veni Creator Spiritus*

Larry Visser

Rev. Kristy Manion – minister

Rev. Mike Hoozeboom – liturgist

Dr. Larry Visser – organist

Chancel Choir, Dr. James Borst – director

Chad Boorsma and Maria Uekert – Cross and Bible Bearers (8:40)

Natalie & Dan Molenbeek – Cross and Bible Bearers (11:00)

of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them”. (Acts2:3 NIV)

Music at LaGrave (11:00)

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether is both a prayer to the Spirit and for a blessing of the sacrament of communion. Matthew 18:20 provides the opening text. Stanza 2 asks that our relationships with others be like the disciples who communed with Christ. Stanza 3 conveys that it is through our “caring, helping, giving,” that we become true disciples and serve God faithfully through offering the sacrament of our lives. American organist and teacher Harold Friedell (1905-1958) wrote the music for this hymn in 1949 and named the tune “Union Seminary” where he served on the faculty. A beautiful feature is the recurring and descending “Alleluias” in each stanza.

The special offering for June is for the Pine Rest Assistance Fund. The PAF is available to individuals and families in our community who come to Pine Rest for care but have limited resources to pay for treatment. The number of people we can help each year depends on the generosity of our donors.

This evening, Rev. Peter Jonker will lead us in worship.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live

Pentecost closes the Easter Season. Red is the traditional liturgical color for Pentecost. The dancing flames symbolize the Holy Spirit which came as “...what seemed to be tongues