August 28, 2022

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 10:00 AM
Please prepare your heart and mind for worship with a time of prayer and meditation.

God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude:
“Morning Hymn”
Lani Smith

“In Peace Let Us Pray to the Lord”
Richard Purvis

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:
“The Peace of the Lord”
Cary Ratcliff

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 511
“Amid the Thronging Worshippers”

*The Greeting


The Welcome

We Approach God with Penitence

The Call to Repentance: Luke 14:1-14

The Prayer of Repentance:
Merciful God, we are the forgiven, who still need forgiveness. We are the redeemed, who are still being redeemed. For the times we think we are better than others, forgive us, Lord. For the times when fear and jealousy set us against others, forgive us, Lord. For the times we fail to welcome our neighbors, forgive us, Lord. Have mercy upon us, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 1:5,7

*The Hymn of Commitment: Lift Up Your Hearts 170
“Man of Sorrows, What a Name”
stanza 4 a cappella

*The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,

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We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Ministry Moment – Kids Hope

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:
“Dona Nobis Pacem”
J.S. Bach, arr. Jay Althouse

(Grant us peace)

The Children’s Moment

The Offertory Andante Cantabile

The Offering

*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: Romans 12:9-21

The Sermon: “LIVE IN HARMONY WITH ONE ANOTHER”

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Respond with Praise

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 153:1,3-5
“Great God, Your Love Has Called Us”

*The Benediction


*The Organ Amen
Ordinary Time, the liturgical season of spiritual growth, continues until Advent. The banners and parament for this season reflect concepts from 2 Peter 3:17-18. We are encouraged to continue our growth in the knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ and experience his grace. As we do, we will be prepared to face life’s challenges and remain firm in our faith.

The flowers on the chancel today are given by Matt and Deb Vogel in loving memory of Al and Eleanor Vogel.

The special offering for the month of August is for Home Repair Services of West Michigan. They offer educational and repair services for vulnerable Kent County homeowners.

This evening, Rev. Peter Jonker will lead us in worship. He will be using Acts 7:54-8:3 for the Scripture and his sermon is entitled “Stephen and Zechariah”.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live