

October 16, 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:

“Be Thou My Vision

Paul Manz

“Be Still, My Soul”

Albin C. Whitworth

“Elegy”

James Biery

The Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Let all that is within me praise his holy name.

His steadfast love endures forever.

As for us, our days are like the grass;

Like a flower of the field, we flourish and then we die.

But the steadfast love of God is from everlasting to everlasting,

And his righteousness is to children’s children.

The grass withers and the flower fades;

But the word of the Lord stands forever.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Bless the Lord.

Let all that is within me praise his holy name.

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 466

“Abide with Me”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Lamentations 3:31-33

The Meditation

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 369

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Remembering our Loved Ones

During this time all those who’ve died since our last remembrance service will be named and remembered.

After the naming, you are invited to come forward with the name and remembrance of your loved one written on your card. Cards will be placed on the communion table.

The Memorial:

Merciful God, we praise you for these departed friends and loved ones. They were gifts from you, and through them you enriched our lives. Into your hands we have committed their spirits. Comfort us with the strong hope of the resurrection, and when our race is run, bring us to be with them in the light of your eternal presence.

Through Jesus Christ Our Lord we pray, amen.

Prayer followed by time of silence.

During the silence the pall is placed,

followed by the reading of Galatians 3:27 and John 11:25

The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 465

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

* The Confession: Our World Belongs to God, paragraphs 56 & 57

We long for that day when our bodies are raised,

the Lord wipes away our tears,

and we dwell forever in the presence of God.

We will take our place in the new creation,

where there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain,

and the Lord will be our light. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

On that day we will see our Savior face to face, sacrificed Lamb and triumphant King, just and gracious.

He will set all things right, judge evil, and condemn the wicked.

We face that day without fear, for the Judge is our Savior,

whose shed blood declares us righteous.

We live confidently, anticipating his coming, offering him our daily lives—our acts of kindness,

our loyalty, and our love—

knowing that he will weave even our sins and sorrows into his sovereign purpose.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 451:1,2,4

“When Peace Like a River”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Lani Smith

Offering plates are located at the Sanctuary exits.

Thank you for your continued support of our ministries.

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Dr. Elizabeth West – organist

Elise Greidanus - violinist

Ordinary Time, the liturgical season of spiritual growth continues until Advent. As you continue to look at the banners and paraments, reflect on these concepts from Colossians 2:6,7. Remain rooted in Jesus Christ and in the faith you were taught. Let the spirit of thanksgiving overflow in your life.

The flowers in the chancel today are given by **His Collection** in loving memory of our sisters in Christ, **Mary Bartman, Marcia Chrzanowski, Shirley Grassmidt, and Glenda Veltman.**

The special offering for October is for **Oakdale Neighbors**, a neighborhood development organization providing youth mentoring and advocacy, tax preparation, financial classes and neighborhood business development assistance.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live