

October 23, 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:

A Biblical Sonata on The Creation (All Things Bright and Beautiful) Larry Visser

- I Prologue: All Things Bright and Beautiful
- II The Purple-Headed Mountains, the River Running By
- III The Ripe Fruits in the Garden
- IV The Sunset and the Morning
- V Each Little Bird That Sings
- VI Epilogue: The Lord God Made Them All

The Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship (from Psalm 89)

The heavens praise your wonders, Lord,
your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;

with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known.

You created the north and the south;

You founded the world and all that is in it.

I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;

with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known.

The heavens are yours, Lord, and yours also the earth.

No one in the skies can compare with you.

I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;

with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known.

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 555

“Let All Creation’s Wonders”

*The Welcome and Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Song of Praise: Lift Up Your Hearts 21

“This Is My Father’s World”

The Readings:

Genesis 1:1-13

The Song of Response: **Worship and Rejoice 25:1**

“Let All Creation Bless the Lord”

Genesis 1:14-23

The Song of Response: **Worship and Rejoice 25:2**

“Let All Creation Bless the Lord”

Genesis 1:24-31

The Song of Response: **Worship and Rejoice 25:3**

“Let All Creation Bless the Lord”

The Pastoral Prayer

The Song of Illumination: “Spirit of the Living God”

1. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me. Fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

2. Plant your truth down deep in us; may we live for you.

Plant your truth down deep in us; may we live for you.

Melt us, mold us. Fill us, use us.

Plant your truth down deep in us; may we live for you.

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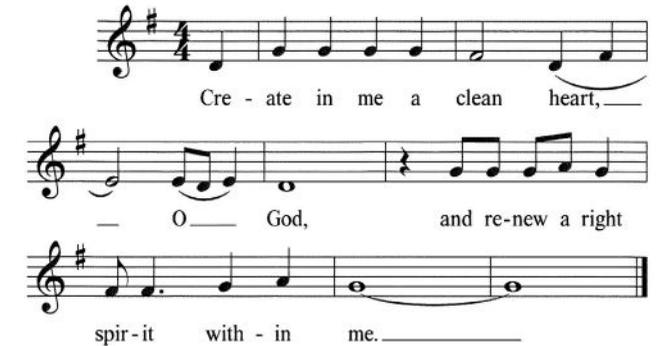
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The Scripture: Psalm 51 (p. 888)

The Sermon: “**A PRAYER FOR EXTRAVAGANCE**”

The Prayer of Confession

concluded with “Create in Me a Clean Heart” (sung twice)



Text and Music: Anonymous, based on Psalm 51:10-12

*The Words of Assurance: (from *Our World Belongs to God*, paragraph 26)

Being both divine and human,

Jesus is our only mediator.

He alone paid the debt of our sin;

there is no other Savior.

We are chosen in Christ

to become like him in every way.

God’s electing love sustains our hope:

his grace is free to all in need of his mercy.

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 695

“And Can It Be”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“And Can It Be?”

Anna Laura Page

*Offering plates are located at the Sanctuary exits.
Thank you for your continued support of our ministries.*

Chad Boorsma – seminarian
Dr. Larry Visser – organist

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 on the chancel recognize the wonderful hearts and talents of LaGrave’s ministry team. Thank you for ongoing faithful service that blesses our congregation in countless ways.

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