

January 15, 2023

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:

“Two Settings of I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

H. Alexander Matthews, Anna Laura Page

“O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts”

Albin C. Whitworth

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

James D. Kimball

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 22

“Rejoice, You Righteous, in the Lord”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Psalm 16

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 688

“How Vast the Benefits Divine”

*The Confession: Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 1

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong—

body and soul, in life and in death—

to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,

and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way

that not a hair can fall from my head

without the will of my Father in heaven;

in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him,

Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life

and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready

from now on to live for him.

*The Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 250

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

The Pastoral Prayer (*concluded by singing*)

Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you

broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I

seek you, Lord; my spirit waits for you, O living Word.

O Send your Spirit now, dear Lord, to me, that he may touch my eyes and make me see. Show me the truth made plain within your Word, for in your book revealed I see you, Lord.

LUYH 764:1,4

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-9

The Sermon: **“INHERITANCE”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 604

“To God Be the Glory”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“To God be the Glory”

Paul Mickelson

*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

Epiphany is the liturgical season from Christmastide to Lent. During this time we focus on Jesus Christ, the Savior, who is the manifestation of God’s light in our dark and sin-filled world. As we grow in our knowledge of God’s redemptive acts through Jesus Christ, we are called to respond by bringing the light of the gospel to our neighborhoods and the world. These concepts are reflected in the symbol of the Trinity and the gold and white colors used in the banners and paraments.

The flowers on the chancel today are given in loving memory of **Marvin DeWinter** by his family. “God is my strength and portion forever.” Psalm 73:26

The January special offering is for Inner City Christian Federation (ICCF) which provides housing opportunities, home ownership counseling, home repairs and maintenance for families who otherwise cannot afford a home.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live

