

February 5, 2023

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:

“Andante”
“Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God”

Felix Mendelssohn
Larry Visser

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit

“Jesus, We Love to Meet” (8:40) A. T. Olajide Olude
Jesus, we love to meet on this, your holy day; we worship round your seat on this, your holy day. O tender heavenly Friend, to you our prayers ascend; over our spirits bend on this, your holy day.

We dare not trifl now on this, your holy day; in silent awe we bow on this, your holy day. Check every wandering thought, and let us all be taught to serve you as we ought on this, your holy day.

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word” (11:00)

Blessed Jesus, at your word we are gathered all to hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear you. By your gospel pure and holy, teach us, Lord, to love you solely.

Glorious Lord, yourself impart; Light of Light, from God proceeding, open lips and ears, and heart; help us by your Spirit's leading. Hear the cry your church now raises; Lord, accept our prayers and praises.

*The Processional Hymn: **Worship & Rejoice 335: 1, 3-5**
“Christ the Eternal Lord”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Ministry Moment

We Humbly Approach God

The Call to Confession: Matthew 11:28-30

concluded by singing

**Come to the Savior now, he gently calls to you;
in true repentance bow, let him your heart renew.
Christ came that you may know salvation, peace, and
love, true joy on earth below, a home in heaven above.**

LUYH 613:1

The Prayer of Confession:

Father, we come to you in confession
for the times we have not relied on your plans and your power.

Father, we come to you in repentance
for the times we have trusted our own efforts instead.

Father, we come to you seeking mercy
for not humbling ourselves as your servants.
Shower us with your grace, and forgive our sins.
In Jesus’ powerful name, Amen.

The Assurance of Forgiveness: Isaiah 53:5

*The Hymn: **Lift Up Your Hearts 679**
“For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free”

We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Children’s Message

The Pastoral Prayer

The pastoral prayer will include this response based on Psalm 86:10

Leader: You are great and do marvelous deeds.

People: You alone are God.

The Anthem:

“Adoration” (8:40)

Jesus I adore you, lay my life before you; how I love you.

Pat Messick

Lord Jesus, we adore you, Savior, divine. All our praise and honor be forever thine. We in flesh and spirit join with those above to proclaim your goodness, and sing of your love. Lord Jesus, we adore you, Savior divine.

Terrye Coelho and Pat Messick
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The Anthem:

“With a Voice of Singing” (11:00)

*With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard,
Alleluia. Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia. O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of his name, make his praise to be glorious.*

Martin Shaw

The Offering

The Offertory:

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

Timothy Hoekman

*The Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

God Speaks to Us

The Scripture: Matthew 20:17-28 (p.1534)

The Sermon: **“ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS IN MATTHEW: MOTHER ZEBEDEEE”**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Go in His Peace

The Hymn of Response: **Lift Up Your Hearts 660** “Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer”

*The Benediction

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

*The Organ Amen (8:40)

*The Choral Amen (11:00)

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

"Exultate"

Daniel E. Gawthrop

Rev. Kristy Manion – minister

Chad Boorsma – liturgist

Dr. Larry Visser – organist

7-12 Choir, Trish Brummel – director (8:40)

Jess Hollenbach – pianist (8:40)

Chancel Choir Male Chorus, Dr. James Borst – director (11:00)

Boy Scouts/Youth Outdoors – Remington Stuit, Ian Day, Zachary Buter,

Rhys Scholten, Jude Scholten

Everett and Desmond Hoekzema – Cross and Bible Bearers (8:40)

Eli and Maraleisa VandenHeuvel – Cross and Bible Bearers (11:00)

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.

Music at LaGrave: (8:40) Our 7-12 choir shares an anthem that combines an ancient 13th century French chant melody (*Adoro te Devote*, or *Thee We Adore*) with a 20th century chorus of adoration, *Father, I Adore You*, composed by Terrye Coelho (b.1952). The combination of these two melodies is a powerful testament to the fact that Jesus, throughout the history of the Church, is the source of all our adoration and praise, and worthy of laying our lives down before him.

The February special offering is for Wedgwood Christian Services which provides youth services, residential treatment, foster care, independent living, in-home intervention, outpatient counseling and prevention – "helping troubled kids discover lives filled with meaning and purpose".

This evening, Rev. Peter Jonker will preach.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live