

April 23, 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:

"Christ is Alive! Let All Christians Sing"	J. Wayne Kerr
"The Strife Is O'er"	Wilbur Held
"This Joyful Eastertide"	David Cherwien
"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"	Wilbur Held

### The Chiming of the Hour

### The Call to Worship

### The Introit:

"Jubilate Deo" (Sing to God) Orlando di Lasso  
*Jubilate Deo, omnis terra, servite Domino, in laetitia. Intrate, in conspectu ejus, in exultatione, qui a Dominus, ipse est Deus.*

(Translation)  
Sing to God rejoicing, all ye nations. Serve ye the Lord our God with gladness and joy, and enter into his presence with exultation and joy; know ye that the Lord alone is our God..

Psalm 100

\*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 575

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

\*The Greeting

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

### The Words of Welcome

## The Discipline of Song

### Songs of Orientation

Reading: Isaiah 12:2-6

Meditation

Anthems:

"Kuimba Nafsi Yangu" Jacob Narverud  
*Kuimba nafsi yangu, kuimba moyo wangu. Kuimba kwa amani, kuimba kwa furaha. Sana upendo, sana mpenzi wangu. Na wewe. Ey na wewe. Ndiyo. O hey na, hey na!*

(Translation)  
Sing my soul, sing my heart. Sing for peace, sing for joy. There is so much love here, yes!

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"Cry Out and Shout" Knut Knystedt  
*Cry out and shout, ye people of God! The Lord is strength and song!  
Therefore with joy shall ye draw water from the wells of salvation,*  
adapted from Isaiah 12

### Songs of Lament

Reading: Psalm 57

Meditation

Anthems:

"Awake, My Soul" Elaine Hagenberg  
*Awake, my soul awake! Awake, my soul, I will awaken the dawn! Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be over all the earth. For thy steadfast mercy is great, thy faithfulness reaches to the skies. Awake, my soul, awake! I will awaken the dawn!*

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"My King Is Comin' Soon" Kyle Pederson  
*When is my King a-comin'? Lord, hear my cry! Lord, I am tired, and heavy is my burden. The King is comin', my King is comin' soon. I'm down in the valley, and starin' at the mountain. You split the mighty waters of the Red Sea; Lord, will you split the rising waters all around me? The King is comin', my King is comin' soon. He showed up for Daniel, he showed up for Moses, he showed up for David when he fought Goliath. He showed up for David, he showed up for Moses, he showed up for Daniel down with the lions. The world is weary and heavy with its hunger; we wait on your promise no matter how much longer. A child will be comin', the prophets all have spoken; freeing the captives and healing all that's broken. When the King comes, see justice roll like thunder! Mercy, peace, and compassion will roll like thunder! The King is comin', my King is comin' soon.*

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## Songs of Thanksgiving

Reading: Psalm 40:1-3, 9-10

Meditation

Anthem:

"Joshua" traditional spiritual, arr. Rollo Dilworth

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Dan Forrest  
*Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father! There is no shadow of turning with thee! Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.*

Refrain: *Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see! All I have needed, thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest; sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, thy mercy and love.*

*Pardon for sin, and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!*

Congregation joins to sing on final refrain:  
**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see! All I have needed, thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.**

(Choir)  
*Lord, unto me! Amen.*

## We Go Out to Serve

### Missionary Moment

### Pastoral Prayer

\*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 566

"Give Praise to Our God"

\*The Benediction

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

## The Sung Benediction

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

John Rutter

*The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen..*

Numbers 6:24

\*The Organ Amen

\*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

\*The Postlude:

"Fugue in G Major" ("Gigue")

J.S. Bach

*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  
Grand Rapids Christian High School Chamber Chorale  
Candice Sytsma – director  
Leah Ivory – accompanist

Welcome to the **Chamber Chorale** from **Grand Rapids Christian High School**. The Chorale is under the direction of Candice Sytsema and accompanied by Leah Ivory. Administrative Manager Amy Hermen’s daughter, Emily, is a member of the Chorale. We thank them for their music ministry in worship this evening.

The flowers on the chancel are in loving memory of **Eve Meeter**. Sunday services were always the highlight of her week! A Bible verse Eve lived by: "Thou dost keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusts in thee. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock."

**The April special offering** is for **Family Promise of Grand Rapids**. Family Promise partners with local congregations, individuals, families, foundations and corporations to provide emergency shelter and case management for families with children facing a housing crisis.

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