

**May 14, 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:

“Fantasy on the Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy*”

Piet Post

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

\*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 549

“O Praise the Lord, for It Is Good”

\*The Greeting

\*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Job 28:1-15, 23-28

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 10

“We Sing the Mighty Power of God”

\*The Confession:

Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.

**But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him.**

It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

**Therefore, as it is written: “Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.”**

Why do you say that through faith alone you are righteous?

**Not because I please God by the worthiness of my faith. It is because only Christ’s satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness make me righteous before God, and because I can accept this righteousness and make it mine in no other way than through faith.**

1 Corinthians 1:26-31 & Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 61

\*The Song of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 369

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

The Pastoral Prayer

*Concluded by singing*

Verse 1:

**Be still and know that I am God, be still and know that I am God, be still and know that I am God.**

Verse 3:

**In you, O Lord, we put our trust. In you, O Lord, we put our trust. In you, O Lord, we put our trust.**

*Worship & Rejoice 450:1,3*

The Scripture: 1 Kings 3:3-14

The Sermon: **“WHERE IS WISDOM TO BE FOUND?”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

\*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 251:1-4

“The Church’s One Foundation”

\*The Benediction

\*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

\*The Organ Amen

\*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

\*The Postlude:

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Robert Hobby

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

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Sara Good – organist

The flowers on the chancel today are given by **Tom and Katie Oostema, Pete, Anna, Willa, and Charlotte DeBoer** in loving memory of our mother, grandmother, and great-grandma, **Annette Broodman**. Soli Deo Gloria.

**The May special offering** is for **In The Image**. In The Image is a free store serving thousands of individuals and families by offering clothing, shoes, household goods, bedding, furniture, toys, etc. The S.H.O.E.S. Program provides a new pair of back-to-school athletic shoes for free to elementary students in need.

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