

May 21, 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:

“And Can It Be”

Anna Laura Page

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Paul Manz

“With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring”

Lana Kelley

The Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship -- based on Psalm 138

For your unfailing love and faithfulness...

I give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart.

For your promises that are backed by the honor of your name...

I give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart.

For the way you answer prayer and give strength to the weary...

I give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart.

For the way you care for the humble but resist the proud...

I give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart.

For the way you protect us from trouble and save by your right hand...

I give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart.

Before the “gods” I will sing your praise.

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 585

“With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Psalm 13:1-4

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 422

“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”

*The Confession: Psalm 13:5-6

But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing the Lord’s praise, for he has been good to me.

*The Song of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 572:1-4

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

The Pastoral Prayer

Prayer will begin with singing the song below. The song will also be sung at the end of each of the three sections of the prayer.

The musical score is for a song in 4/4 time, key of D major. It consists of three systems of music. The first system (measures 1-4) has the lyrics: "Pour out your mer - cy, Lord. We". The second system (measures 5-8) has the lyrics: "bring our cries to you. Pour out your mer - cy,". The third system (measures 9-12) has the lyrics: "Lord. We lift our voice to you." The piano accompaniment is in the left hand, and the vocal line is in the right hand. There are measure numbers 3, 6, and 9 indicated at the start of their respective systems.

Based on Psalm 42

The Scripture: Luke 17:11-19 (p. 1629)

The Sermon: “**FAR-REACHING**”

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 682

“Before the Throne of God Above”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Donald Hustad

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

Chad Boorsma – minister
Dr. Elizabeth West – organist

The flowers on the chancel today are placed by **Curt and Ruth Witte** in loving memory of **Rev. Wilmer and Ruth Witte** and their daughter **Gayla**. Those who have shown us the way have made it so much easier for all of us, for which we are eternally grateful. Thanks be to God.

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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