June 18, 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:

"Introduction, Trio and Chorale on *Genevan Psalm 84*"
Willem Hendrik Zwart
"Chorale Prelude on *How Lovely Is Your Dwelling*

Gordon Young

The Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship

*The Opening Hymn: <u>Lift Up Your Hearts 507</u> "How Lovely Is Your Dwelling"

*The Greeting

*The People's Response: Amen.

The Welcome

The Reading: Psalm 27

The Hymn: <u>Lift Up Your Hearts 773</u> "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

*The Confession: The Beauty of the Lord: Hebrews 1:1-4, Colossians 1:15-18, John 1:14

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

*The Song of Response: <u>Lift Up Your Hearts 425:1-3</u> "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

The Pastoral Prayer

concluded with singing:

To the hills I lift my eyes; whence shall help for me arise? From the Lord comes all my aid, who the heavens and earth has made. He will guard through dangers all, will not let you slip or fall. He who safe his people keeps never slumbers, never sleeps.

Your protector is the Lord; shade for you he will afford. Neither sun nor moon shall smite; God shall guard by day and night. He will ever keep your soul; what would harm he will control. In the home and by the way God will keep you day by day.

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The Scripture: Exodus 32:1-24 (p. 137)

The Sermon: "YOUR FACE, O LORD, I WILL SEEK"

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: <u>Lift Up Your Hearts 772</u> "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

*The Benediction

*The People's Response: Amen.

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

"Allegro from the Organ Concerto No. 13" G. F. Handel

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

> Rev. Peter Jonker – minister Norma de Waal Malefyt – organist

Today's chancel flowers are placed by **Carl and Sandy Gronsman** in loving memory of our son **Christopher** who went to be with his Lord seventeen years ago this week.

The June special offering is for Cherry Street Health Services. An independent, non-profit Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) with a primary focus of providing high quality health services to those who have little or no access to health care, regardless of income or insurance status. Cherry Health is the largest FQHC in the State of Michigan providing integrated health care services at more than 20 locations throughout the State.

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