

July 30, 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:

“Canonic Variations on *Sing Praise to God,
Who Reigns Above*”

Raymond H. Haan

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 561
“I Will Extol You, O My God”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The First Lesson: Isaiah 40:21-31

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 10
“We Sing the Mighty Power of God”

*The Confession: The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The Sung Response: “Gloria Patri”

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen, Amen.**

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The Pastoral Prayer

followed by silent prayer and concluded with singing:

**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit
in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us
love, send us power, send us grace!**

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The Scripture: Joshua 2 (p. 331)

The Sermon: **“RAHAB REDEEMED”**

The Prayer of Application

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 407
“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Prelude in A Minor”

J.S. Bach

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

J.S. Bach

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

Rev. John Steigenga – minister emeritus
Norma de Waal Malefyt – organist

Ordinary Time, the longest liturgical season, is a season of spiritual growth. The banners and parament for this season reflect concepts from Isaiah 12:2-3. We come to know the Lord more deeply as our strength and our salvation. With joy we grow spiritually by being rooted in God’s word.

The July special offering is for **Westminster Food Pantry**. The downtown food pantry provides an emergency supply of food and personal care items to people in need while also promoting self-sufficiency through referrals and education.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live

