

October 22, 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:

“Elegy”

George Thomas Thalben-Ball

“There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood”

Gilbert M. Martin

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 599

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Deuteronomy 18:14-19

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 67:1-2

“Blessed Be the God of Israel”

*The Confession of Faith:

Why is he called “Christ,” meaning “anointed”?

**Because he has been ordained by God the Father
and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit
to be our chief prophet and teacher**

**who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God
concerning our deliverance;
our only high priest who has delivered us by the one
sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause
with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by
his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in
the freedom he has won for us.**

But why are you called a Christian?

**Because by faith I am a member of Christ
and so I share in his anointing.**

**I am anointed to confess his name,
to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks,
to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in
this life, and afterward to reign with
Christ over all creation for eternity.**

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A, 31 & 32

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 853

“God of the Prophets”

The Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer of Illumination: Lift Up Your Hearts 745

“Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit”

The Scripture: John 1:19-28 (p. 1647)

The Sermon: **“PROPHET, PRIEST, AND KING”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn: *Worship & Rejoice 90:1,2,4*

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Postlude on *HYFRYDOL*” (Jesus! What a Friend of
Sinners!)

Healey Willan

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

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Dr. Rob Hobgood – organist

The flowers on the chancel today celebrate the 95th birthday of **Faith Hondorp** on October 21, 2023 and are given by the **Phil Huizenga family**. Faith is a lifelong member of LaGrave! Thanks be to God.

The October special offering is for **Roosevelt Park Ministries**. Roosevelt Park Ministries is a separate non-profit organization originally established by Deacons of Roosevelt Park Community CRC in conjunction with World Renew and which provides various community services and support programs for families, individuals and youths in Roosevelt Park Community and surrounding areas.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live

