

October 29, 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:

“Voluntary in C”

Maurice Greene

“O God, Thou Faithful God”

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 776

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Isaiah 28:16-19a, Romans 3:21-26

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 167

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

*The Confession of Faith:

Are all people then saved through Christ just as they were lost through Adam?

No. Only those are saved who through true faith are grafted into Christ and accept all his benefits.

What is true faith?

True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ’s merit.

Heidelberg Catechism Question and Answer 20 and 21

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 772

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

The Pastoral Prayer

begins with the singing:

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; come and listen to me.

ends with singing:

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise. All my hope comes from God. The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise. God, the wellspring of life.

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The Scripture: Luke 5:27-33 (p. 1601)

The Sermon: **“PLUMB LINES AND DINNER TABLES”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 366

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Psalm 19 (The Heavens Declare)”

Benedetto Marcello

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

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Jonathan Tuuk – organist

The flowers on the chancel today are presented in loving memory of **Judy DeJong**, mother of **Andrew DeJong and grandmother of Elizabeth and Maren DeJong**, on the anniversary of her passing.

The October special offering is for **Roosevelt Park Ministries**. Roosevelt Park Ministries is a separate non-profit organization originally established by Deacons of World 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

