

March 17, 2024

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:

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

David Cherwien, Kevin Hildebrand, Paul Manz

The Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship: based on Hebrews 12:1-3

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
the author and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy set before him,
endured the cross,
scorning its shame,
and sat down at the right hand of God.

Let us consider him who endured such opposition from sinful people,
so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.
Come, let us worship and praise our Lord and Savior,
the One who gave his all for us.

*The Opening Hymn: ***Worship & Rejoice 95***

“Praise Him! Praise Him!”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading and the Hymn: “At the Name of Jesus”

Philippians 2:5-8

Lift Up Your Hearts 220:3-4

Philippians 2:9-11

Lift Up Your Hearts 220:1

Philippians 2:12-13

Lift Up Your Hearts 220:5

The Reading from Colossians 1:15-20

*The Hymn of Response: ***Worship & Rejoice 110:1-4***

“We Come, O Christ, to You”

The Pastoral Prayer

Prayer will include the song below, based on Psalm 88:1

♩ = 84

Here our prayer, O God, and list-en to our cry, for you are the

God who saves. Yes, you are the God who saves.

The Hymn of Illumination: ***Worship & Rejoice 671:2-3***

“Lord, We Hear Your Word”

The Scripture: Acts 2:22-36 (p. 1692)

The Sermon: “**ALL PART OF THE PLAN**”

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Confession of Faith:

What do you understand by the providence of God?

The almighty and ever-present power of God upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that all things come to us not by chance but by his fatherly hand.

How does the knowledge of God’s creation and providence help us?

We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future, we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God’s hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

based on Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 27-28

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 437

“Day by Day”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Michael Burkhardt

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

Chad Boersma – minister
Sara Good – organist

The liturgical season of Lent is the time from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. The sackcloth permeated with ashes against the royal purple cloth symbolize the suffering and sorrow that Jesus the King bore for the sin in our broken world and our own lives. And it reminds us of our need for humble self-examination and sorrowful repentance before God.

The flowers on the Chancel today are in memory of **Gerald Steele**, remembered with love by **The Steele and Doezema Family**.

The March special offering is for **Mel Trotter Ministries**. Mel Trotter Ministries provides shelter for individuals and families with services including: meals, emergency shelter, transitional housing assistance, case management.

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