

June 2, 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:

“Sonata IV: Andante”

Johann Sebastian Bach

“Chorale on *Lord Speak to Me, That I May Speak*”

Alice Jordan

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship: Based on Psalm 73:25-26

Whom have I in heaven but you?

And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail,

but God is the strength of my heart

and my portion forever.

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 572:1,2,4,5

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Philippians 3:7-14

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 825

“Beneath the Cross”

*The Confession:

**Joining the mission of God,
the church is sent
with the gospel of the kingdom
to call everyone to know and follow Christ
and to proclaim to all
the assurance that in the name of Jesus
there is forgiveness of sin
and new life for all who repent and believe.
The Spirit calls all members
to embrace God’s mission
in their neighborhoods and in the world:
to feed the hungry,
bring water to the thirsty,
welcome the stranger,
clothe the naked,
care for the sick,
and free the prisoner.
We repent of leaving this work to a few,
for this mission is central to our being.**

Our World Belongs to God, Paragraph 41

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 861

“In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified”

The Pastoral Prayer

The Scripture: Luke 14:25-33 (p.1624)

The Message: **“DISCIPLES”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 869

“Here I Am, Lord”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Carillon and Chorale on *Christ is the World’s True
Light*”

Raymond H. Haan

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

Rev. Bob Arbogast – minister

Rev. Kristy Manion – liturgist

Dr. Rob Hobgood – organist

Rev. Bob Arbogast leads the Celebration Fellowship Church, which meets at Handlon Prison in Ionia. His prison ministry is one of our sponsored ministries.

Ordinary Time is the liturgical season from Pentecost to Advent. This season for spiritual growth is represented in the liturgical colors of blue and green. The banners and paraments reflect concepts from Psalm 1. Like trees firmly rooted by the stream, we strive to be firmly rooted in God’s word. By doing so, we find life, experience deep spiritual growth, and live grateful lives.

The flowers on the chancel today are given by **Marge Hooeboom**, in loving memory of my husband **Tom Hooeboom**, who the Lord blessed me with for 53 years of marriage.

The June special offering is for **Pine Rest Patient Assistance Fund**: Part of Pine Rest Foundation Fund offering financial assistance for individuals, families and children who need care.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live

