

June 23, 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:

“Rondeau”

Henry Purcell

“Theme and Variations on *How Great Thou Art*”

Michael Burkhardt

“O God Beyond All Praising”

Aaron David Miller

The Chiming of the Hour

*The Call to Worship: based on Psalm 145

The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.

**Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.**

He is trustworthy in all he promises
and faithful in all he does.

**Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.**

His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and his dominion endures through all generations.

**Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.**

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 553:1,2,4

“How Great Thou Art”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Matthew 25:1-13

The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 477:1,2,4

“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”

*The Reading:

We rejoice in the goodness of God,
renounce the works of darkness,
and dedicate ourselves to holy living.

As covenant partners, set free for joyful obedience,
**we offer our hearts and lives
to do God’s work in the world.**

With tempered impatience, eager to see injustice ended,
we expect the Day of the Lord.

We are confident that the light which shines in the present
darkness will fill the earth when Christ appears.

Come, Lord Jesus. Our world belongs to you.

Our World Belongs to God, Paragraph 6

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 476

“The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns”

The Pastoral Prayer

Prayer will include the refrain, “My Soul in Stillness Waits.”

LUYH 63



For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits;



tru - ly my hope is in you. _____

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The Scripture: Mark 13:32-37 (p. 1582)

The Sermon: **“WHEN IS JESUS COMING BACK?”**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 470

“View the Present Through the Promise”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Robert. A. Hobby

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

Dr. Dan Kroeze – guest minister
Chad Boorsma – liturgist
Norma de Waal Malefyt – organist

Dr. Dan Kroeze is a professor of Biblical Studies at Kuyper College and Pastor of Preaching at Westend Christian Reformed Church.

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 **Barb Verduin** in memory of her son, **Timothy Terry**, who died 3 years ago today. All who knew Tim miss him, his sensitive spirit and his boundless enthusiasm for God’s creation.

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

