

June 30, 2024

Led by the Holy Spirit, LaGrave's members seek to worship and serve God in all of life, transforming His world and being transformed to reflect the character of Christ.

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.

MORNING WORSHIP 10:00 AM

Please prepare your heart and mind for worship with a time of prayer and meditation.

God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude:

“Pastorale on *Savior, Like Shepherd Lead Us*”

Betty Shepherd

“This Is My Father’s World”

Dale Wood

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

Roger Wilson

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

“Come, Ye Disconsolate”

Come, you disconsolate, where'er you languish;

Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.

Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish;

Earth has no sorrows that heaven cannot heal.

*Here see the bread of life; see waters flowing
forth from the throne of God, pure from above.*

*Come to the feast prepared; come, ever knowing
earth has no sorrows but heaven can remove.*

*The Processional 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

We Humbly Approach God

The Call to Confession: Romans 13:8-14

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness: 1 John 1:9-10, 2:1b-2

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

If anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father— Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

*The Hymn of Commitment: Lift Up Your Hearts 299

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

“O Bread of Life from Heaven”

David Ashley White

O Bread of Life from heaven, to saints and angels given; O Manna from Above! The souls that hunger, feed thou, the hearts that seek thee, lead thou, with thy sweet, tender love.

The Offertory:

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

Raymond H. Haan

The Offering

*The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him, above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Children’s Message

God Speaks to Us

The Scripture: Exodus 16:1-31 (p. 110)

The Message: “**BREAD FROM HEAVEN**”

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Go in His Peace

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 43

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Paul Manz

Rev. David Bast – guest minister

Rev. Stan Kruis – liturgist

Nancy Ryskamp – organist

Jim Elzinga & Ben VanHouten – vocalists

Jake Versluis & Molly Versluis – Cross and Bible Bearers

Rev. David Bast is a retired minister in the Reformed Church America. He was the director of Words of Hope ministry, and in 2012 he served as an interim pastor here at LaGrave.

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.

Music at LaGrave: While the author of the hymn *O Bread of Life from Heaven* is unknown, the ancient 17th century text still conveys our need for physical and spiritual nourishment. This communion hymn is a prayer for God’s provision as he feeds and leads us with his “sweet, tender love.” Seventh generation Texan composer David Ashley White, an award winning composer, wrote an original tune to this hymn text that is chant-like in nature. At times, the melody is heard in a round. The anthem is meditative and consoling, evoking the “tender love” of the Bread of Life.

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.

This evening, we welcome back Rev. David Bast who will lead us in worship. He will preach using Exodus 33:17-34:8, and his sermon is titled “The Great Intercessor.”