

July 14, 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:

“Partita on *Lift High the Cross*”

William H. Bates

Hymn
The Cross
Meditation
Voluntary

The Chiming of the Hour

The Opening Prayer

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 261
“Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Affirmation of Faith: Lift Up Your Hearts 263
“Joining The Mission of God”

The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 925:1,2,4
“Go to the World”

The Pastoral Prayer

Prayer will include this song from Psalm 88

Hear 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 Scripture: Romans 15:17-24 (p.1765)

The Sermon: “**REACHING THOSE WHO’VE NEVER HEARD**”

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn of Response: **Worship & Rejoice 565**
“O Christians, Haste”

The Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

With joy we praise you, gracious God, for in your great love, out of nothing, you created heaven and earth and everything in them. You made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore, we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration:

Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom. We pray this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

The Words of Institution (spoken by the ministers)

The Communion

Please come forward if you are able, as directed, to participate in Communion by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup before eating). You may respond to the elder’s words with “Amen” or “Thanks be to God.” Both gluten-free and regular bread are available at the side stations.

The Songs During Communion

Please see insert.

The Response of Praise:

Praise the Lord, O my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits—
who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion.

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
**to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength
and honor and glory and praise!**

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 264:1,3,4,5
“Lift High the Cross”

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:
“Finale on *Lift High the Cross*” William H. Bates

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

Rev. Stan Kruis – minister
Chad Boorsma – liturgist
Norma de Waal Malefyt – organist

Ordinary Time, the longest liturgical season, is a time of spiritual growth. The banners are hung in the diptych form but instead of being attached together they are side by side yet separated. Both the banners and paraments reflect concepts from Isaiah 12:2-3. We come to know the Lord more deeply as our strength and our salvation. With joy we grow spiritually by being rooted in God’s word.

The flowers on the chancel today are given in loving memory of **Jim Penning** by his wife, **Marge**. Jim went to his heavenly home on July 13, 2010.

The July special offering is for **Westminster Food Pantry**. The downtown food pantry provides an emergency supply of food and personal care items to people in need while also promoting self-sufficiency through referrals and education.

Livestreaming worship is available at lagrave.org/live