

**July 21, 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:

“As a Fire Is Meant for Burning”

Wilbur Held, Charles Callahan, David Cherwien

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship: based on Psalm 84:1-4

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!

**My soul yearns for the courts of the Lord; my heart cries out for the living God.**

Even the sparrow has found a home, a place near your altar.

**Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.**

\*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 749

“Spirit of the Living God”

\*The Greeting

\*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

The Hymn: *Worship & Rejoice 551*

“As a Fire is Meant for Burning”

The Confession:

Our world, fallen into sin,  
has lost its first goodness,  
but God has not abandoned the work of his hands:

**our Maker preserves this world,  
sending seasons, sun, and rain,  
upholding all creatures,  
renewing the earth,  
promising a Savior,  
guiding all things to their purpose.**

God holds this world  
with fierce love.

**Keeping his promise,  
he sends Jesus into the world,  
pours out the Holy Spirit,  
and announces the good news:  
sinners who repent and believe in Jesus  
live anew as members of the family of God—  
the firstfruits of a new creation.**

Our World Belongs to God Paragraphs 4&5

\*The Hymn: *Worship & Rejoice 27:1,2,3,5*

“God of Creation, All-Powerful”

The Missionary Moment

The Pastoral Prayer

The Scripture: Jeremiah 18:1-12 (p.1205)

The Sermon: **“A POTTER’S WORLD”**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

\*The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 737

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

\*The Benediction

\*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

\*The Organ Amen

\*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

\*The Postlude:

“O Worship the King”

Paul Laubengayer

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

Rev. Duane Kelderman – guest minister

Rachel Thorne – liturgist

Sara Good – organist

**Rev. Duane Kelderman** is a retired CRC minister and previous Vice President at Calvin Theological Seminary. He has previously served as interim pastor here at LaGrave.

**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 by **Janice Doornbos and family** in loving memory of **Clarence Doornbos**, husband, father, and grandfather, who entered his heavenly home on 7/15/2017. “For me to live is Christ and to die is gain,” Philippians 1:21.

**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](http://lagrave.org/live)

